



Dear Cheerleader and Mascot Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in **The University of Tennessee @ Chattanooga Cheerleading / Mascot program**. Our main goal is to support and promote the UTC athletic teams. Cheerleaders / Mascot(s) also play an intrinsic role in the development of school spirit at a variety of sports and special campus and local events.

The top 12 members of the cheerleading squad will receive a scholarship in the amount of \$500 per semester. The team will not know which members will be receiving the scholarships. The members will be notified by me if they will be receiving the scholarship. Fundraisers will be required for all members of the cheer team. If enough money is raised there could be more scholarship money given. The squads practice three times a week (Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 3:30 – 5:30 p.m.) and participate in a physical conditioning program. Classes should be scheduled around practice time. Top performance is very important in this program.

There will be **required** weekly and some weekend practices in the summer during June and July. Summer camp is mandatory. It will be announced as soon as the dates are known.

**The 2009-2010 Cheerleader / Mascot Selection Clinic Schedule:**

<b><u>Welcome:</u></b>	Wednesday, April 1	3:45-5:00 p.m.	University Center
	Chattanooga Room/Wear Interview/Business Attire		
<b><u>Clinic:</u></b>	Wednesday, April 1	5:00-8:00 p.m.	Maclellan Gym
	Wednesday, April 1	9:00 p.m.	1 <sup>st</sup> Round Cut List Posted
	Thursday, April 2	4:00-8:00 p.m.	Maclellan Gym
	Friday, April 3	4:00-8:00 p.m.	Maclellan Gym
	Saturday, April 4	11:00 – finish	Maclellan Gym

Selection is based on 20% interview, 25% crowd interaction, and 55% skill performance. Spirit, high energy, great attitudes, and a dedication to teamwork are also traits that are highly sought. **ALL materials are taught during the clinic.** Each participant for cheerleader is required to perform a cheer, chant, fight song, dance, jumps, standing back hand spring, round off back hand spring, extension for all girls stunt, toss to hands for co-ed stunt, and an optional stunt of your choice.

**To be eligible to tryout for cheerleading, a candidate must:**

1. Complete the enclosed application and return by Wednesday, March 25, 2009
2. Have the enclosed recommendation form completed by your current coach, the form may be completed by 1) a former coach / advisor for 1-2 years prior, 2) a current athletics coach, or 3) an advisor that has supervised you closely in an extra curricular activity.
3. Apply to and be admitted to UTC.
4. Must have and maintain a 2.3 GPA and carry fulltime status (12 hours or more).
5. Participate in ALL pre-tryout clinic dates and times. No exceptions will be made.

The ideal candidates will also possess an outstanding attitude and strive for optimum academic excellence. If you would like more information, please feel free to contact Ashli Skiles, cheer coach, at 423-425-5359, or e-mail me at [ashli-skiles@utc.edu](mailto:ashli-skiles@utc.edu).

Cheerfully,  
Ashli Skiles  
UTC Cheerleading Coach

## UTC MOCS Cheerleading Tryouts

### Tryouts Dates:

Clinic:	Wednesday, April 1	3:45 p.m.-5:00 p.m.	Chattanooga Room UC
		5:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.	Maclellan Gym
	Thursday, April 2	4:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.	Maclellan Gym
	Friday, April 3	4:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.	Maclellan Gym

### Final Selection:

Saturday, April 4	11:00 a.m.-finish	Maclellan Gym
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### Tryout Requirements:

- \* Complete Application Form
- \* Interview (includes attitude, commitment, and enthusiasm)
- \* Self Picture is **required**
- \* Cheer with Stunt incorporation (taught at tryouts)
- \* Sidelines (taught at tryouts)
- \* Fight Song with hand spring and stunt (taught at tryouts)
- \* Dance (taught at tryouts)
- \* **Required** Tumbling: standing handspring, round off handspring series, and power hurdle handspring or power hurdle tuck. These must be shown on Wednesday, April 1st.
- \* Bonus: Optional Standing and Running Tumbling Pass of highest difficulty
- \* **Required** Jumps: Toe Touch and 1 Optional Jump of choice
- \* Stunts:
  - o Co-Ed
    - Toss to Hands Press Extension / Toss Extension / Cradle or Pop Down
    - Toss to Hands Liberty Cradle / Full Down / Pop Down
    - Optional Stunt of Choice
  - o All Girl
    - Extension Tap Down or Cradle
    - Liberty Full Down
    - Optional Stunt of Choice
  - o Macots
    - 2 minute 30 second routine of your choice in the UTC Mascot Scrappy Suit or your High School Mascot Suit

If you have any questions please contact Ashli Skiles (coach) at [Ashli-skiles@utc.edu](mailto:Ashli-skiles@utc.edu) or by phone 423-425-5359.



**UTC Cheerleading / Mascot Application**

Please print or type this application. If while answering any question you find you need additional space, feel free to include a separate sheet of paper. An official transcript must be submitted with this application. Please be sure to contact the Records Office of your current institution (high school, UTC, or any other college or university) in advance of the application deadline. Many times, institutions do not allow students to "hand carry" official transcripts. If your institution must mail these transcripts have it sent to the following address:

Cheerleading / Mascot Tryouts  
The University of Tennessee @ Chattanooga  
615 McCallie Avenue  
Student Development Dept. 1951  
399 University Center  
Chattanooga, TN 37403  
or fax to 423-425-5357

**Required Photo Here**

Please note there is a \$15 application fee for anyone interested in trying out for cheerleading / mascot. Only checks and cash are accepted. Checks need to be made out to UTC Cheerleaders.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ SS #: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_  
DATE OF BIRTH: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ Male / Female (circle one)  
ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
PHONE #: \_\_\_\_\_ (daytime) \_\_\_\_\_ (cell)  
E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Height: \_\_\_\_\_ Weight: \_\_\_\_\_  
T-Shirt Size: AXS AS AM ALG AXLG Short Size: AXS AS AM ALG AXLG  
PARENT/GUARDIAN NAMES: \_\_\_\_\_  
PARENT / GUARDIAN PHONE #: \_\_\_\_\_ (daytime) \_\_\_\_\_ (cell)  
Current Academic Year (circle one): H S Senior Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior  
If a High School Senior, please indicate the name of the high school and your intended date of graduation: \_\_\_\_\_  
If currently enrolled at a college or university, please indicate the name of the institution: \_\_\_\_\_  
Cumulative Hours: \_\_\_\_\_ GPA: \_\_\_\_\_  
If you are currently not attending UTC, have you been accepted for admission? YES NO  
If you have not been accepted to UTC, have you applied for admission? YES NO  
Please indicate what you are interested in: Cheerleading Mascot  
Have you ever Co-Ed Stunted? YES NO  
Where or What Gym taught you how to stunt? \_\_\_\_\_  
What is your position in All Girl Stunting? (all answer except males) Base Flyer Back Spot  
Which squad are you most interested in and briefly explain why? Co-Ed All Girl  
Why? \_\_\_\_\_

The following information must be completed or you will be unable to attend tryouts.

List any prior injuries: \_\_\_\_\_

Any Physical Therapy required? Yes or No If yes on what. \_\_\_\_\_

List any medications you are currently taking. \_\_\_\_\_

List any allergies. \_\_\_\_\_

1. What do you believe the role of a cheerleader at the intercollegiate level is about? \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

2. How did you find out about UTC Spirit Tryouts? \_\_\_\_\_

3. What are some characteristics you think an intercollegiate cheerleader should exemplify?

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\_\_\_\_\_

4. Why did you choose to come to UTC? \_\_\_\_\_

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5. Why do you want to be part of UTC Spirit? \_\_\_\_\_

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6. List your hobbies / skills / clubs you have been involved in. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

7. What do you have to offer to the UTC Spirit Program? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

8. Are you interested in competing in a National Competition? YES NO

Why or Why Not? \_\_\_\_\_

9. List your past experiences with cheerleading. \_\_\_\_\_

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10. What is your greatest memory from your cheerleading career? \_\_\_\_\_

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I certify the above information is true. I understand that if this information is incorrect or incomplete I will be excluded from the tryout process.

\_\_\_\_\_

**Name**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Date**

Please include the names, addresses, and phone numbers of three non-relative references:

Name

Address

Phone Number

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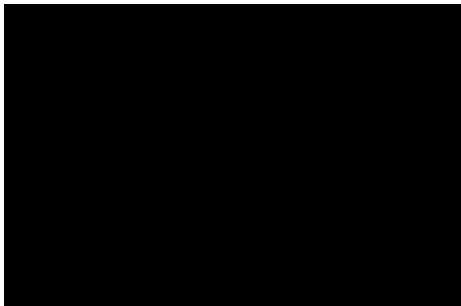
With my signature, I certify all information given in this application is complete and accurate. I also understand any discrepancies will result in my immediate dismissal.

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Signature

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Date



**Please Return this Application to:**

UTC Student Development  
Department 1951  
399 University Center  
Chattanooga, TN 37403

This form must be filled out by your high school, all-star gym coach, or college cheerleading / mascot advisor / coach. It must be mailed back to the university before final tryouts.

Name of Cheerleading Candidate: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Reference: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Position: \_\_\_\_\_

The candidate listed above is competing for a position as a UTC cheerleader / mascot. The UTC Cheerleaders represent the University and support the athletic teams at games, pep rallies, special campus events, and community events. The position is an important leadership role at the University and one that requires dedication, responsibility, cooperation, and a positive attitude.

We are looking for individuals with a high degree of self-discipline, maturity, and who strive for excellence. We would appreciate your cooperation in completing this recommendation form. Please respond candidly while offering your personal knowledge and insight about the candidate.

Please return this form no later than Friday, March 27, 2008 to:

Ashli Skiles

The University of Tennessee at Chattanooga  
615 McCallie Avenue/Office of Student Development Dept. 1951  
Chattanooga, TN 37403  
or fax to (423)425-5357 Attn: Ashli Skiles

This recommendation will be used only by the Cheerleader Selection Committee and solely for the selection process. Your signature will indicate you did not show the applicant your answers and we will not show them either for privacy purposes.

SCALE: 1 lowest 10 highest Please use 10's only if a candidate exemplifies the trait at its highest level.

**ATTITUDE:** 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10  
Is the candidate generally a positive person and does he/she make the most of difficult situation?

**DEPENDABILITY:** 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10  
Is the candidate on time for activities and is he/she reliable?

**LEADERSHIP SKILLS:** 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10  
Does the candidate take an active role in his/her sport? Does he/she accept volunteer responsibilities?

**MATURITY:** 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10  
Does the candidate exhibit good judgment and handle him/herself with tact?

**TEAMWORK:** 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10  
Does the candidate work well with his/her teammates and maintain good relationships?

**COOPERATION:** 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10  
Does the candidate follow instructions from his/her adviser and maintain respectful relations?

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

The University of Tennessee at Chattanooga

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