**Tiger Belles Dance/Drill Team Audition Information:**

Thank you for your interest in becoming a member of the Klein Collins High School Tiger Belles Drill/Dance Team. For the past 19 years, Tiger Belles have exemplified leadership, poise, success, teamwork, discipline, and dedication and we are very proud of our many accomplishments and awards earned across the United States. Tiger Belles are young ladies who will strive for perfection in dance, academic achievement, and possess good moral values as an ambassador of Klein Collins High School. This organization not only provides entertainment at various sporting events, but also competes in a variety of dance competitions, participates in community events and fundraisers, and perform a Spring Show to conclude the school year. **Please read this packet carefully and consider each area before beginning the audition process.**

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If you are planning to audition, please complete the following google form in order to guarantee a spot at auditions. [https://forms.gle/i4YVexJtvNkwApAp9](https://forms.gle/i4YVexJtvNkwApAp9)

- Please only fill out this google form if your decision to audition for Tiger Belles will not change and you have already received parent permission. You will be given an audition number either the first or second day of try-outs. This form must be filled out IN ADDITION TO FOLLOWING INFORMATION IN THIS PACKET.

- The forms in this packet must be turned into the Director by the first day of the audition clinic (March 23rd) and must be handed directly to the Director, Olivia Thompson by 5:00pm. If you do not turn in these forms, including the medical waiver, by March 23rd you will not be able to audition for Tiger Belles.

- The Parent meeting on March 18th is MANDATORY for EVERY STUDENT planning to try out for the Tiger Belles. If there is not a representative there for someone trying out, THEY WILL NOT BE ABLE TO TRY-OUT. This is new to the audition
process. It is very important for parents to understand what the obligations are to be a Tiger Belle.

· ALL DAYS of the audition clinic MUST be attended in order to be eligible for the audition on March 26th. Any exceptions must be cleared with the Director PRIOR to the first day of the clinic.

· All clinic and audition days are NOT open to the public. The 25th will be a mock-tryout day. The candidates will get feedback and hopefully some jitters out.

· If any disruption or disrespect occurs, then you will be asked to leave the clinic and will no longer be eligible to audition for the Tiger Belles.

**DUE BY THE FIRST DAY OF AUDITIONS:**


2. Audition Application

3. Permission Form

4. Medical Release Form

5. Constitution Agreement/Website Release/Picture Contribution Form

Please visit our website [www.kctigerbelles.com](http://www.kctigerbelles.com) or contact the Director of the Tiger Belles, with any questions you may have. Thank you for your interest in our team and we look forward to meeting you at our auditions.

Sincerely,

Olivia Thompson and Morgan Covin

Tiger Belles Director and Assistant Director
AUDITION INFORMATION:

**Audition Clinic Attire:**

ALL GIRLS TRYING OUT will be in Black leggings or yoga/jazz pants and a black form fitting top or leotard (preferred). No midriffs showing. If you are in an outfit too revealing you will be asked to leave. Jazz Shoes, foot paws, other dance shoes, or bare feet. NO SOCKS. *Hair must be pulled back and SECURED in a neat, HIGH ponytail. NO GUM OR JEWELRY!*

**Audition DAY Attire:**

All Candidates:

Black jazz/yoga pants or leggings and black form fitting top or leotard. Jazz shoes, foot paws, other dance shoes (potential new members only are allowed bare feet). FULL PERFORMANCE MAKE UP (foundation, brown or dark purple eyeshadow in the crease with lighter color on the lid, lots of blush, RED lipstick). Hair in a neat, HIGH ponytail. NO JEWLERY.

CANDIDATES ARE SCORED ON THE FOLLOWING AREAS:

1. Dance Technique
2. Dance Style
3. Memory
4. Showmanship/Execution
5. Overall impression

Junior Varsity AUDITION REQUIREMENTS: Single Pirouette, Right Leap, Right Kick, 2 Chaine Turns, Stationary Leap must score a 70-84

Varsity AUDITION REQUIREMENTS: Double Pirouette, Right Leap, Right Kick, Calypso (Chaine jete with back leg in attitude), Stationary Leap, Turning Center must score an 85-100
**Team Reveal:** The new team will be revealed the day after auditions at kctigerbelles.com. The process of team reveal may vary year to year and will be discussed the day before auditions.

General Audition Reminders/Information:

Candidates are scored by a panel of outside judges. If selected for call backs Miss Thompson and Miss Covin will be added to the judging panel. Directors, students, and administrators do not have input on who is selected for the 2020-2021 Tiger Belles Dance/Drill Team. Number of team members vary from year to year. If you would like to see your score sheet please schedule a meeting with Associate Principal, Rachel Lambert. Please do not contact the Director about your scores.

**IMPORTANT TIGER BELLE INFORMATION:**

1. The Tiger Belles Dance/Drill Team is governed by a Klein ISD constitution. The constitution is posted on the Tiger Belles website and provides all expectations, rules and regulations, and guidelines. Please review this constitution prior to auditions.

2. All disciplinary infractions are handled by the Director and Administration if necessary. Please review the constitution and demerit system on our website: [www.kctigerbelles.com](http://www.kctigerbelles.com)

3. A member’s drill team year begins on the day the member’s name is officially posted and continues until that membership is officially terminated. **THIS MEANS DEMERITS BEGIN ONCE YOUR NUMBER IS OFFICIALLY POSTED ONLINE**

4. All Tiger Belles must audition for EVERY dance and **may not perform in every dance if technical/memory/performance expectations are not met.**

5. Prospective members and their parents must be fully aware of the expenses of dance/drill team as explained in the tryout general information. They must be willing to meet all financial obligations. If a student is not able to meet all financial obligations, the student needs to consult the director.

6. A physical is not required to audition however a physical is REQUIRED before attending summer camps.

7. All expenses must be paid on time or result in removal from performances. All payment plans should be discussed with the Director PRIOR to the due date.

8. Communication is VERY important in Tiger Belles. We expect Tiger Belles to learn to communicate efficiently with their Officers regarding questions and concerns. If the Military
Officers, returning parents, or other Belles cannot answer your question, then the Director may be contacted. A chain of command is necessary and must be respected in order to continue the success of our well-organized team.

9. **NO PASS NO PLAY:** Per UIL Guidelines, All Drill team members must be passing at report card in order to perform with the team. If a member does not have a 70 or above in ALL classes, then she still must attend *every and all practices* but will not be allowed to attend the performance in uniform. FEES WILL STILL APPLY AND OR NON REFUNDABLE REGARDLESS OF ELIGIBILITY.

10. All Tiger Belles must display appropriate behavior inside AND outside of practice. All Belles are expected to maintain a positive reputation, communicate appropriately with other students and adults, and display exemplary social media etiquette. **If a member displays inappropriate conduct of any nature in person or on social media, then she will be subject to removal. See Constitution for more detailed information.**

**Summer Requirements:** Belles must attend a week of dance camp in July. This camp is REQUIRED or members will be dismissed from the team and not provided with a refund. **Members must complete 12 dance hours prior to our Belle camp or they will receive 1 demerit for each hour missed. There will be 8 hours offered at KC for free over the summer in early June and late July.**

**Varsity vs. Junior Varsity:** Tiger Belle Candidates will be asked which they prefer. The scores they receive will determine their specific technical level however they will NOT determine their competition placement. There will be a separate audition in October IF the Junior Varsity members want to try out for the varsity level competition routines. This will be determined by the Directors. In order to be placed on varsity, you must score between 100-85, in order to be placed on Junior Varsity, you must score a 84-70.

All members must attend practice every day from 3:00-5:00pm. All doctor’s appointments, family gatherings/events, concerts, driver’s education classes, etc. are NOT excused.

**Drill Team Prep Class:** Tiger Belle Candidates who score between a 50-69 will have the opportunity to be placed in a Drill Team Prep class (The class period is subject to change) to prepare for next year’s auditions. This can be indicated on your audition application and the google form that must be completed prior to the first day of auditions. All students in the Drill Prep Class must have APPROVAL from the Director and Administrator.
**Summer Dance Hours**: All members will be required to complete 12 summer dance hours. Students will be responsible for getting their summer hours on their own and there may be additional costs associated with this. There will be 8 hours worth of classes offered here at KC in early June and late July. We highly suggest you take dance hours at various locations so you can learn from several different people.

**Football Season Requirements (September-November/December)**: If members miss a practice during football season, they will be removed from the performance that week and replaced with an alternate if one if available. They may also receive demerits for their absence depending on the reason. Please see the constitution for an explanation for an excused or unexcused absence.

**Contest varsity Audition**: In Mid-late October, Junior Varsity Tiger Belles will have the opportunity to audition for the Varsity level contest routines. This audition will consist of the Varsity contest pom and a list of skills determined by the directors that they will be asked to perform individually. It is up to the Junior Varsity members to learn the Varsity Pom routine on their own for this audition. It is NOT mandatory for all Junior Varsity members to audition for the Varsity level contest. If you are placed in the Varsity routines, you will officially compete as a Varsity member and not Junior Varsity.

**Competition Season Requirements (October-March)**: If members miss more than 2 practices per routine then they will be removed from the correlating routine or replaced with an alternate if one is available. Saturday and night practices will occur in order to prepare for competition season. These practices are REQUIRED and missing could result in the removal of all dances practiced that day.

**Varsity Category Team**: Members will compete in 3-4 team routines and be eligible to audition for an Elite Company or any other additional ensembles deemed by the Directors. Members will practice Monday-Friday 3:00-5:00pm during competition season. Members will audition for each team routine and **ARE NOT** guaranteed a spot.

**Junior Varsity Category Team**: Members will compete in 2 team routines and are guaranteed a spot unless deemed otherwise by directors. Members will practice Tuesday-Thursday 3:00-5:00pm unless stated otherwise by Directors.

**Dance Show Requirements**: All Tiger Belles are required to participate in Dance Show in April or May. Practices will continue Monday-Friday 3:00-5:00pm unless stated otherwise by Directors.
**Booster Club/Parent Obligation:** Each Belle parent is required to join the Booster Club and MUST sign up for a committee to support and raise money for the team. **WE RELY ON ACTIVE PARENTS TO BE SUCCESSFUL!**

Each Parent is required to pay a Booster Club Fee. This fee can be paid in 2 payments but must be paid in full before January. *Information regarding the assessment fees will be provided in the fees section of this packet.*

All Belle parents must provide transportation to and from any additional events on the weekend and any/all practices. Belles will not be excused from any event due to lack of transportation.

**If Belles do not fundraise enough to support competition costs they are subject to an additional fee. Our fundraising goal is $400 per girl in order to keep the competition fee to the estimated amount on this sheet**
**Cost ESTIMATE for the YEAR**

**This is only an estimate of the expenses for the current year. Prices may fluctuate depending on vendor or continued use of items.**

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2020-2021 Klein Collins Tiger Belles Dance/Drill Team

Important Dates:

May 13th - 6:30-9:30pm

All 2020-2021 Belle parents informational MANDATORY meeting. ALL NEW MEMBERS REQUIRED TO ATTEND! We are combining our two meetings to one this year, so there will be a lot of information given at this time.

Your Assessment Fee #1 of $150 is due to the Booster Club and your camp fee of $200 is due! Payments may begin on your dancewear; however FINAL balance is due in August.

***Two separate checks will be required. One for your Booster Club fee and one for your camp fee. Assessment Fee check is made out to Tiger Belles Booster Club and Camp Fee/Dance Wear check is made out to KCHS. You may also pay this in cash.

May 13th-May 20th, May 21st – 4:45-6:15pm NEW TEAM PRACTICE

New this year, there will be a New Belle induction ceremony. This will be from 5:00-6:00pm on May 22nd. All members are required to be there and dress in Sunday best clothing.

All 2020-2021 Tiger Belles will be required to attend a new team practice in KC Commons. New Members will wear any black top/leo and black leggings/jazz pants, returning members will wear their Thursday top!

Physicals will be due to the Directors on May 21st. If you do not turn in your physical this day, you will not attend camp and will not be a Tiger Belle.

Camp Dates

New girl practice July 28th 9:00am-11:30am

ALL BELLE Camp meeting July 29th from 9:00am-11:00am

Line Camp: July 30- August 1st

This year we will be hosting our own private camp at Klein Collins. The Belles will learn 2 of their football routines, Pep-rally, and the Varsity Contest Pom at this camp. July 30-31st will be from 8:00am-5:00pm and August 1st will be 8:00am-2:00pm.
August Belle Camp: August 4th-6th

AT KC in the Commons to learn all other football routines, traditions, and review team camp material. This will be from 8am-4pm every day.

Team photos will be taken during summer camp as well.

Final payment of clothes due: AUGUST 5th

Any days missed for any reason will result in removal from the corresponding football games/routines as well as demerits. Each day missed equals two performances. Missing any part of this camp will result in removal from performances or from team.
Parent Permission to Audition for

2020-2021 Klein Collins Tiger Belles Dance/Drill Team

Name of Candidate: ________________________________________________________________

Present school: ____________________________________________ Grade Level: __________

I understand the commitment involved in my daughter becoming a Klein Collins dance/drill team member, and I do give my permission for her to do so. I understand that as a member of the team, she is expected to abide by the guidelines approved by the District. It is clear that she must attend all performances, which may occur throughout the year. It is also understood that her dance ability, effort and discipline are all factors, which will be considered in making each performance. I understand that if my daughter is selected for Tiger Belles that she will not be guaranteed a spot to perform. I understand and have read all of the fees and agree to pay them on the dates in which they are due or my daughter may be ineligible to perform. I understand that if my daughter leaves or is dismissed from Tiger Belles that NONE of my fees are refundable.

I further understand she must attend summer camp and summer practices. It is also understood that this team is a full year activity and involves practices scheduled for school holidays and weekends.

I understand my daughter’s commitment to the Tiger Belles involves an obligated level of parental support and I agree to donate my time in order to be a part of the organization as well.

I also understand that the decision of the judges is final and that she should make the team, she must abide by the Constitution approved by the district.

_____________________________                          _______________
Parent/Guardian Signature                                          Date

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Candidate’s Signature                                              Date
# Tiger Belles Audition Application

## Candidate Information

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## Varsity or Junior Varsity Option

Please review all the options below, check the line that pertains to you, sign and date. **You must return this with your medical release and permission form.**

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I realize that regardless of my current placement on Tiger Belles or previous dance experience I am not guaranteed to be accepted on the Tiger Belles Dance/Drill Team, Drill Prep Class, or on Varsity and Junior Varsity that I audition for.

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KLEIN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

TIGER BELLE AUDITION MEDICAL RELEASE FORM

Name: _____________________________________ Home Phone: __________________________

Age: _________ Address: ________________________________________________________

                      Street   City   Zip

Name of Parent or Guardian: _________________________________________________________________

                      Last   First   Middle

Father’s Place of Employment: _____________________________________________________________

Phone #: ________________________________________

Mother’s Place of Employment: _____________________________________________________________

Phone #: ________________________________________

Family Physician: _____________________________ Office Phone: ______________________

Address: _______________________________________________ Emergency Phone: _________________________

Name of a relative who can be contacted if parent or guardian cannot be reached:

Name: ____________________________________ Relation: _________________________

Phone: _____________________

Insurance Policy with: __________________________

                                   Company                  Policy
Part II – ACTIVITY AGREEMENT

The undersigned, being the parent or legally appointed and qualified guardian of ____________________________, a student in the Klein Independent School District, does hereby consent to said student’s participation in all drill team events and programs conducted by the district during the ___________ school year. I herewith grant permission for school employees to secure medical services for the above named student, if necessary. The student listed above has my permission to make all trips related to drill team in a school vehicle, public transportation or private conveyance. I further agree to hold the Klein Independent School District, its Board of Trustees, administration, and/or faculty, harmless from all liability for any injuries which said student may receive while participating in all drill team events, practice sessions, or while traveling to and from such events. I agree to pay, either directly or through my own personal health and accident insurance policy, all medical or hospital costs. The undersigned agrees to be responsible for the safe return of all drill team equipment issued by the school to the above named student.

________________________  _____________________________
Date  Signature of Parent or Guardian

Belle Candidate Name: ________________________________

Constitution Agreement Form

I have read the rules and guidelines established in the 2020-2021 dance and drill team constitution. I also understand that these policies are structured to improve the member’s sense of responsibility and teamwork. I understand that failure to follow at rules set forth by the Directors and the Klein ISD constitution could lead to probation or removal from the team for the remainder of the year without refund. I am also aware of the time and financial commitments to this organization. I understand the consequence should I decide to not fulfill my commitments. I am also aware that only eligible members will be able to try out for any routine even if the routine is not performed for several months. I also understand that my daughter will be required to audition for every routine and may not be selected. I agree to support the Directors and Klein ISD in handling any decision regarding my daughter’s placement on the Tiger Belles.

__________________________________  _________________________
Signature of Parent  Signature of Candidate
Website Release

Should your daughter be selected as a member of the Tiger Belles, there is a possibility that her first name/picture will be posted on the Tiger Belles website. Please check one of the options below letting us know what you will allow us to post about your daughter on your Tiger Belle website.

_____ I give permission for my **daughter’s first name and picture** to appear on the Tiger Belle website.

_____ I give permission for my daughter’s **first name** to appear on the Tiger Belle website.

_____ I do not want ANY information about my daughter on the Tiger Belle website. (This would result in no team picture to ever be posted.)

____________________________________       __________________________________
Signature of Parent                     Signature of Candidate

Contributed Picture Release

Throughout the year we will be posting contributed pictures on the website. We will also use these pictures for the end of the year slideshow, banquet, and dance show. Please understand that all pictures contributed to our organization will become property of the Klein Collins Tiger Belles and may be used, but not restricted to, these events.

I understand that by submitting pictures, videos, or media to the Tiger Belle organization that I am giving my permission for the organization to use said media or any and all purposes that they see fit.

____________________________________       ______________________________
Candidate Name                         Parent Signature