

Dear Silver Rhythm “Hopeful” and Parents,

Congratulations! You have just made a very important decision, to audition for the award-winning *Rowlett Silver Rhythm Dancers*. Your interest in becoming a member of our varsity drill team is wonderful. I feel that drill team is one of the best organizations at Rowlett High School.

I know that for you and your *Silver Rhythm Dancer*, drill team will be a new experience. You will have the opportunity to grow and mature with others your own age through unique performance opportunities and realization of the effort that is necessary to successfully prepare for performances. *Silver Rhythm Dancers* must maintain high grades, practice long hours, and attend numerous functions. It is my opinion, that extracurricular activities are an inherent part of scholastic maturity and success. An individual’s education begins in the classroom and extends to other rewarding experiences for each student involved. However, to have success, you must be willing to dedicate many hours of hard work to personal improvement. Above all else, you must want to be a *Silver Rhythm Dancer*.

Drill Team offers you a chance to make new friends, while learning discipline, perseverance, and self-motivation. Besides our performances at football games, basketball games, and competitions, we have an annual formal banquet, holiday parties and possible trips. All activities are under adult supervision.

However, the biggest and best reward for a *Silver Rhythm Dancer*, at least to me, is the development of self-confidence and pride. This is a great discovery, and the drill team nurtures this discovery into a well-rounded person who is responsible, self-disciplined, and proud. By working with the other students, they also learn that it is important to work with people and not against them. The drill team offers companionship while concurrently teaching discipline, perseverance, and motivation. The result is an organization in which each member can be truly proud.

It is my desire that your time spent working for the *Silver Rhythm Dancers*, whether it be one week or three years, be a rewarding learning experience for you.

You must dedicate many hours of **hard work** to personal improvement, but most of all you must **want** to be a *Silver Rhythm Dancer*. Your decision to be a part of the Silver Rhythm line is an important one. Consider this decision carefully.

Sincerely,
Grechen Short - Lackey
Silver Rhythm Director
Rowlett High School

PART II: SILVER RHYTHM DANCERS APPLICATION

ROWLETT HIGH SCHOOL

(TURN IN)

FULL NAME _____
(LAST) (FIRST) (MIDDLE)

COMPLETE ADDRESS _____

PHONE NUMBER _____ AGE _____ BIRTHDAY _____

CLASSIFICATION (CIRCLE ONE) FRESHMAN SOPHOMORE JUNIOR

MOTHER'S NAME _____ WORK PHONE _____

FATHER'S NAME _____ WORK PHONE _____

ARE YOU EMPLOYED? _____ WHERE? _____

OF HOURS PER WEEK _____

WOULD YOUR EMPLOYMENT INTERFERE WITH SILVER RHYTHM PRACTICE OR PERFORMANCES? _____

HAVE YOU EVER BEEN IN A DRILL TEAM OR A SIMILAR ACTIVITY? _____

HAVE YOU EVER TAKEN DANCING LESSONS? _____

WHERE AND HOW LONG? _____

TO WHAT OTHER CLUBS OR ORGANIZATIONS DO YOU BELONG? _____

WHY ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING A SILVER RHYTHM DANCER?

I HAVE READ ALL THE RULES AND REGULATIONS AND RECEIVED A CONSTITUTION OF THE SILVER RHYTHM DANCERS AND WILL PARTICIPATE IN ALL REQUIRED ACTIVITIES. I UNDERSTAND TO REMAIN ELIGIBLE, SRD'S MUST PASS ALL COURSES EACH SIX WEEKS.

CANDIDATE'S SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

PART IV: PARENTAL CONSENT FORM

(TURN IN)

_____ and I have discussed the
Silver Rhythm Dancer Hopeful

responsibilities of being a member of the Silver Rhythm Dancers, such as cost, time involved, and physical requirements. I understand her obligations and responsibilities as a member of the Silver Rhythm Dancers and I will help her in her commitment for the entire year. I have received and read the GISD regulations and my child and I will abide by them.

I give my permission for her participation in tryouts and understand that the decisions of the judges will be final.

Signature of parent/guardian Date

Signature of parent/guardian Date

Thank you,

Grechen Short- Lackey
Silver Rhythm Dancers Director
Rowlett High School

In case of emergency, contact:

Name _____

Address _____

City,Zip _____

Home phone _____

Work phone _____

PART V: PERMISSION FOR PERFORMING AND REHEARSING

(TURN IN)

TO THE PARENT:

As a member of the Silver Rhythm Dancers, your daughter will participate in the following activities throughout football, basketball and competition season:

1. Approximately two to four hours of strenuous physical activity per day.
2. Participation in half time performances at all varsity football games and selected basketball games. participation in parades and competition. This involves physical and emotional stress.
3. Extra time spent at home and in school meetings and other activities related to the drill team.
4. Your daughter will be dancing, jumping off of and manipulating wooded props in some performances.

Because of the strenuous nature of the activities, Silver Rhythm Dancers must be in good health and practice good health habits.

Please check and sign below:

1. Any health weaknesses such as a bad back, weak ankles, and so on that would prohibit her from giving a good performance, or possibly suffering injury.

yes _____ no _____

2. Does she take any medication that would cause her harm if she exerted herself too much?

yes _____ no _____

3. I believe that my daughter is in good health and practices good health habits.

yes _____ no _____

4. My daughter may participate in drill team.

yes _____ no _____

5. My daughter may do jump splits.

yes _____ no _____

6. I realize that my daughter should care for her injuries and is responsible for maintaining updates for the director.

yes _____ no _____

PARENT SIGNATURE

CANDIDATE SIGNATURE

LINE TRYOUT INFORMATION

SILVER RHYTHM HOPEFULS CLINIC FOR AUDITIONS

Registration is on Monday, May 4th and begins at 2:45 and ends at 3:15.

You will not be allowed to participate on Monday, unless all forms are filled out and turned in at registration along with a copy of your most recent report card. The medical release form must be notarized.

DATE	TIME	WHERE
MONDAY, May 4	3:00-5:00	IN THE LARGE GYM
TUESDAY, May 5	3:00-5:00	IN THE LARGE GYM
WEDNESDAY, May 6	3:00-5:00	IN THE LARGE GYM
THURSDAY, May 7	3:00-5:00	IN THE LARGE GYM

The candidates will be given their audition numbers, learn all performance routines, will practice dance technique, and learn helpful tips to prepare them for tryouts. **All candidates should plan to attend each rehearsal.**

DRESS REHEARSAL (PERFORM IN GROUPS)

FRIDAY, May 8	3:00 - 5:00	IN THE LARGE GYM (CLOSED)
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AUDITIONS

SATURDAY, May 9	2:30-4:00	NAAMAN FOREST HIGH SCHOOL
ANNOUNCEMENT OF SRD'S	9:00 PM	AT RHS GYM DOOR
NEW MEETING	9:30 PM	IN RHS LARGE GYM

The candidates will perform a jazz routine and a kick routine in front of a diverse panel of professional judges.

HOPEFUL WORKOUTS

Workouts preparing candidates for spring selection will be held under the direction of the director and officers. All material required for tryouts will be taught during this time as well as the tryout procedure.

During the workouts, the following will be taught:

- **kicks-technique and stretches**
- **splits-technique and stretches**
- **marching technique**
- **routines-high kick and jazz (both focusing on correct dance technique and proper execution of dance skills)**
- **presentation- posture, poise, and projection**
- **discipline-stand at attention, hand position in pep rally, and no communication while teaching is occurring, proper responses to other candidates, officers, and directors.**

BE ON TIME AND DRESSED IN DANCEWEAR, WITH APPROPRIATE DANCE SHOES . HAVE YOUR HAIR UP IN A HIGH PONYTAIL , OUT OF YOUR FACE . (NO FUZZ'S)

DO NOT LEAVE PURSES, ETC. IN THE DRESSING ROOM DURING PRACTICE. ALL WORKOUTS AT CLINIC ARE CLOSED!

AUDITION CRITERIA

Auditions will be conducted Saturday, May 9 @2:30 at Naaman Forest High School . Candidates need to arrive at (School) dressed and ready. The candidates should wear the following:

Also, items may be checked out from the drill team, and then returned after tryouts!

Attire

- **Black long sleeve turtleneck leotard, black dance pants, black socks, black jazz shoes, low slick bun parted over left eye.**
- **No jewelry, except small rhinestone studs, no nail polish, no panties**
- **You may purchase a leotard from any dance wear store, like Go Figure, Dance and Actionwear, or Sandys', however, candidates may borrow any of the following items from SRD's. The tryout attire is on the practice attire requirement list for varsity drill team at RHS.**
- **If needed, candidates can borrow the tryout uniform from the dance department.**

The candidates will be **judged** in the following categories:

Appearance

- **Posture, neatness, projection, and weight**

Kick/splits

- **Technique, height of kicks, posture, projection, and memory**

Jazz routine

- **Memory, poise, projection, technique, stamina, and confidence.**

Overall impression

- **Candidate displays knowledge of basic fundamentals and technique of drill team dance**
- **Candidate displays good memory**
- **Candidate displays confidence in performance**

TRYOUTS ARE CLOSED!!!!!! Callbacks are a definite possibility. **You may not leave until you are dismissed.** The hopefuls will be dismissed during tabulations. Candidates will need to return to RHS by **8:00 pm** for the presentation of the new members. **Parents, be prepared, audition night is a long and stressful evening.**

The new members will be presented after the final tabulations. When the candidates' numbers have been posted, the new Silverettes may enter the gym. At that point, they need to file into the bleachers for a parent meeting.

The new members must attend a mandatory meeting following the announcement of top scores.

INFORMATION

During the School year, the team will not rehearse before or after school for more than eight hours a week.

Drill team practices from 6:30 am to 8:10 am. Drill team class is first period.

Line officers and officers may call rehearsals on weekends or during the week that are not part of my scheduled rehearsals.

The officers and line officers are prepared to provide private sessions for members who ask and set up sessions. The sessions will help the member with her skills, technique, and memory.

Rehearsal times are changed for various reasons.

Rehearsals are added when necessary. Please be understanding and realize that changes are for the ladies.

Hair up at every practice with required style.

HBJ Stadium practice is once every week during football season in the morning.

*Members have to be dropped off at the stadium at 6:30 am.

In order to perform you must be present at: everyday the week of the game/performance auditions for that performance, and the day of the game. No excuses accepted.

Field practice with the band is also mandatory to perform, no excuses accepted!

You must attend audition day in order to be in the routine that week.

Dance Gallery Rehearsals

Contest Rehearsals

Spring Show Rehearsals

Drill team is a full year commitment.

Members must be enrolled in drill team first and second trimester as well as Dance IV 3rd trimester.

Only members who complete the year will be allowed to attend banquet.

If a member acquires more than twenty-two points for not following requirements set By the drill team constitution, the member will be removed from the team.

You are responsible for your behavior **in and OUT** of school and will be held accountable by the Student code of Conduct and our Drill team constitution and Code of Conduct

Disrespect and poor behavior and attitude will not be tolerated. We respect each other at all times regardless of the situation or circumstance.

APPROXIMATE UNIFORM EXPENSES

ITEMS:

Camp	425.00
Uniform Leotards	70.00
Dance Wear	450.00
Bags, Hats, Boots, & Warm ups	350.00

Bootbackers: 150.00

* Bootbackers membership fee, which can be paid increments.

ALL PAYMENTS HAVE BEEN DIVIDED ACCORDING TO WHEN ITEMS NEED TO BE PURCHASED. I REALIZE SOME OF THESE DATES MAY NOT FALL ON OR AT YOUR PAY CHECK TIME, BUT I AM MEETING COMPANY DEADLINES AND CAMP DEADLINES. PLEASE SPEAK WITH ME, ABOUT ANY QUESTIONS CONCERNING PAYMENTS.

Payment Schedule

- Checks payable to RHS or to Go Figure for the dancewear order
- Ex. Of memo section: SRD-Susie Last name if different from parents
- All payments must be delivered in the payment envelope.

May 12	Uniform Fittings
May 12	Seniors Order, RHS Order & Special Effects Order
May 12	Juniors Order, RHS Order & Special Effects Order
May 12	Sophomores/All new girls Order, RHS Order, Special Effects Order, & Go Figure Order-75% deposit due
May 12	60 % deposit, RHS & Special Effects Order Due, pay Bootbackers
June 12	30 % payment, RHS & Special Effects Order Due, pay Bootbackers at the meeting or send payment to: Bootbackers P.O. Box 1966 Rowlett, TX 75030
July 1	All Bills must be paid. 10 % payment, RHS & Special Effects Order Due, pay Bootbackers, send payment to: Bootbackers P.O. Box 1966 Rowlett, TX 75030

OVERVIEW: SRD CALENDAR PLANNED EVENTS

EVENTS OR PLANNED FUNCTIONS	DATE OR TO BE ANNOUNCED
Line Tryouts	May 9TH 2:30 at Naaman Forest
SRD Sale-Old Girls Leaving Sell Items	Week After Tryouts
Calendar For May-August	TBA
First Meeting With New Team	May 12 th
New Girl Social	May 14 th
Dress Uniform Fittings	May 12 th 6pm (old girls) 7pm (new girls)
RHS Order Day	May 12 th same as above
Special Effects Order Day	May 12 th same as above
Go Figure Order Day	May 12 th same as above
Receive Invoice from Orders	TBA
60% Payment of Invoice Due	May 16 th
Rehearsal For Forming Team	May And June
SRD Team Camp	July 22-26 in Richardson, TX
2 Line Group Community Projects	Summer
2 Line Group Fund-Raisers	Summer
2 Line Group Socials	Summer
Team Pictures	August
SRD Boot Camp	Week Before School Starts
Officer Rehearsals After Team	All year
SRD Boot Camp Social	Last Day Of Clinic
Football Rehearsal Schedule	Given Out In August
Labor Day Parade	Labor Day
Varsity Football Games	September-November
1 JV Home Game	October-TBA
Kick a thon	November
Rowlett Christmas Parade	End of November-TBA
SRD Holiday Lock In	Before Christmas Break TBA
Basketball Games	TBA
Competition Rehearsals	Starting in November
2 Competitions	February-April TBA
Dance Gallery Performance	January TBA
Rowlett Dance Classic	February TBA
Silent SRD Auction Fund-Raiser	November
Spring Show	Mar – April TBA

Please be advised that there will be additional cost through out the year
PART I: ROWLETT HIGH SCHOOL DRILL TEAM APPLICATION
(TURN IN)

APPROVED: _____
Marlene C. Carter, Principal

Dear Parents:

These are the rules and requirements for membership in the Varsity Drill Team at Rowlett High School. If you are interested in your student becoming a member of this organization, please read the information on the following pages carefully and return this reference along with the following documents.(I-V) If you need additional information, you may contact the drill team office at 463-8690.

We are looking forward to having your student in the Rowlett high school drill team.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____ **STUDENT ID#:** _____

SCHOOL NOW ATTENDING: _____

PRESENT GRADE LEVEL: _____

I understand that I will be required to attend mandatory summer practice and camp as scheduled and will be expected to stay after school for scheduled practices. I am fully aware and agree to accept the responsibility of being a member of the Rowlett High School Varsity Drill Team.

Member's signature

As a parent, I am aware of the extra costs and time necessary for my child to be a member of the drill team. I give my permission for my child to participate on the drill team.

Parent/Guardian's signature

PART III: PERMISSION FOR MEDICAL TREATMENT

(TURN IN)

In the event of an emergency as a result of athletic participation that requires medical attention, I grant permission to the school and/ or its employees, the _____ Coaching staff, to take whatever action it deems necessary. If I cannot be reached, the _____ Coaching staff is authorized to give consent for unexpected medical care and hospitalization to my son/daughter, _____

Check one: _____ YES _____ NO

I expect every effort will be made to contact me in order to receive my specific authorization before any medical treatment or hospitalization is undertaken.

Signed _____ Date _____ Phone # _____

Address _____

State of Texas
County of Dallas

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary Public in and for Dallas,
County, State of Texas.
On this the _____ day of _____ 19_____.

Home Phone # _____ Business Phone # _____

Do you have Medical Insurance _____ Yes _____ No
Insurance Company Name _____ Policy # _____

Person to be notified other than parent or guardian in an emergency:

Emergency _____ Phone # _____
Family Doctor _____ Phone # _____

MEDICAL INFORMATION

	Yes	No
Kidney Injury	_____	_____
Heart Condition or Disease	_____	_____
Diabetes	_____	_____
Asthma	_____	_____
Date of last Tentanus Shot	_____	
Allergic to any medication (PLEASE STATE):	_____	

Additional medical information that may be helpful (PLEASE STATE):

While competing do you wear: Glasses or Contacts

DOCUMENTS: FILL OUT AND TURN IN

The **DEADLINE** and **ONLY** day for these documents to be *turned in* is the **first day of Varsity Drill Audition Clinic, Monday, <May 4 by 3:00.** Students who do not turn in all documents will not be allowed to stay and participate at the clinic,
YOU MUST HAVE MEDICAL FORM NOTARIZED TO PARTICIPATE AT ALL...

DOCUMENTS:

- Part I:**
- Part II:**
- Part III: (turn in and have notarized)**
- Part IV:**
- Part V:**

ATTACH: CURRENT REPORT CARD , AFTER PART V

Please turn in documents according to the following directions:

- **Fill out all blanks; do not leave any blanks empty**
- **Either type in information or clearly and neatly write in the information**
- **Make sure all documents are in numerical order before stapling**
- **Staple all 4 documents at the upper left hand corner**
- **All documents must be presented on Monday, May 4**

SCHEDULE for May 4th-9th

Registration will begin at 2:40 in the gym

- **Sign in at the registration table and turn in your packet. (I-V)**
- **Silver Rhythm Hopefuls need to put their bags and purses in the stands.**
- **Then the Hopefuls need to begin making files behind the Officer.**
- **When sitting in roll call, begin stretching on your own.**
- **Director will open clinic with a short introduction at 3:15**
- **Then SRD Hopefuls will begin warm up**
- **Learn audition jazz routine.**
- **SRD Hopefuls will be dismissed at 5:00 PM then candidates may use the gym on their own until 6:00, Officers will be available for all girls needing help with the dance or kick routine.**
- **SRD Hopefuls will be put in a height line.**
- **Beginning Director's left to right, each girl will be assigned a number**
- **You will then be placed in groups of 4 or no more than 5**