

### The 5th Line



# **Audition Packet**

### Letter from the Director

Thank you for your interest in being a member of the award-winning Emerson High School Majestics Varsity Drill Team. I am thrilled to get the opportunity to work with you during the audition process. Being a member of the Majestics is a wonderful experience and will create lasting memories and friendships. On the team you will have the opportunity to perform at various school functions, local events, and there is just no beating those Friday Night Lights. You will get to compete in the spring as well as perform on stage for our winter and spring shows. Outside of dance, you will learn great responsibility, teamwork, respect and dedication; all traits that will carry with you and benefit you throughout life. Kindness, positivity and strong connections with your fellow teammates are all traits that we hold dear to this organization. Because Majestics requires a full commitment in time and energy, the decision to audition should not be taken lightly. We are not looking for perfection on this team, but rather for full effort and commitment. We are looking for members who will work together and support their teammates while constantly striving for greatness and self-improvement. By auditioning you are agreeing to being a committed member for the entire 25-26 year. I am very excited to see where this next year will take us. We have a lot of amazing opportunities in store for this upcoming year! Thank you again for your interest in this organization. Please feel free to reach out with any questions.

### *Majestics,* TOGETHER, WE SHINE.

**Amanda Burch** Majestics Director BurchA@Friscoisd.org



## 2025-2026 Audition Dates

### MANDATORY HOPEFUL MEETING

(FOR PARENTS & STUDENTS)

February 5, 2025 at 6:15pm - EHS Auditorium

### **AUDITION FORMS DUE**

February 21, 2025 EHS Front Office by 4:30pm

### AUDITION CLINIC (Mandatory)

March 3-5, 2025 - EHS Main Gym - 4:45pm-7:00pm

### **AUDITION DATE**

March 6, 2025 - EHS Main Gym - 4:45pm-10:00pm

### **QUESTIONS?**

Amanda Burch, Director, burcha@Friscoisd.org

If you are unable to attend the Hopeful Meeting and/or any of the clinic dates, you MUST reach out to Mrs. Burch PRIOR to February 5th. Failure to attend or communicate (by or before Feb 5th) will result in audition ineligibility.

### **IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE 25-26 MAJESTICS**

- April 1, 2025, New Team Meeting, 7:00pm-8:00pm EHS Auditorium
- April 25 & 26 , 2025 Spring Show, all new team members are required to attend and help EHS Auditorium
- May 12, 2025 Rookie Practice, EHS Dance Studio, 4:30-6:00
- May 13 & 14, 2025 New Team practice, EHS Dance Studio, 4:30-7:00
- May 27-30, 2025 Summer Practices (week 1), 9:00am-4:00pm (1 hour lunch), EHS Dance Studio or Gym (TBD)
- July 21-25, 2025 Summer Practices (week 2), 9:00am-4:00pm (1 hour lunch), EHS Dance Studio or Gym (TBD)
- July 28 Aug 1, 2025 Summer Practices (week 3), 9:00am-4:00pm (1 hour lunch), EHS Dance Studio or Gym (TBD)

All dates listed above are MANDATORY. Missing any practices may result in performance probation at the director's discretion.

### To be eligible to Audition, you must complete the following:

- Audition Application Form Online Google Form Submission
  - CLICK HERE FOR AUDITION APPLICATION FORM
- Email your headshot to <u>BurchA@Friscoisd.org</u>
  - This should be a headshot rather than a full body shot. This photo does not need to be professionally taken. It is for identification purposes only.
- Print and complete the following forms. Staple together with the cover sheet on top with the candidate's name on it (please staple in order listed below) and turn into the Emerson front office attn: Amanda Burch
  - Cover Letter
  - Participation/Constitution Contract
  - Merit/Demerit Acknowledgement Form
  - Financial Agreement
  - Dance Team Acknowledgement Form
  - Medical Release Form
  - Inherent Risk Sheet
  - Travel Release Form
  - Parental Permission for Educational Trip
  - Majestic Uniform & Costume Contract
  - Electronic Release Form
  - Copy of your 1st & 2nd Nine Weeks Report Card must show ALL classes
  - Proof of residency (for all students not currently enrolled at Emerson) current water bill with name, address and date visible
- Must meet all tryout requirements in the FISD Dance Code of Conduct
- Must be cleared through both the attendance and administrator office.

### ALL FORMS DUE BY 4:30pm ON FRIDAY FEBRUARY 21, 2025

\*If you make the team: A new Physical will be required dated after June 1st. Due July 21st

# 2025 - 2026 Majestics Auditions COVER LETTER

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

GRADE (for the 25-26 school year): \_\_\_\_\_

For internal use <b>only</b> :		
Participation contract Demerit Acknow. Form Financial Agreement Dance Team Acknow. Medical Release	Inherent Risk Travel Release Educ. Trip Form Uniform Contract Electronic Release	Copy of Report Card Online Application In good standing Headshot Emailed Attended Hopeful Meeting

### Majestics Dance/Drill Team Participation Contract

Participation in the Majestics Dance/Drill Team at Emerson High School is <u>a privilege</u>, NOT a right. In order for the members to retain this privilege, the policies and procedures contained in the FISD Dance Code of Conduct as well as the Majestics Merit/Demerit policy <u>must be strictly</u> <u>adhered to</u> in the spirit of discipline, education, and the overall goals/objectives of the Frisco Independent School District, Emerson High School and the Majestics.

The policies and enforcement procedures are important to the dance team program and will be administered accordingly. The rules, regulations, and policies are all outlined in the <u>Frisco ISD</u> <u>Dance Code of Conduct</u>.

I have read and fully understand the FISD Dance/Drill Team Code of Conduct and the Majestics Merit/Demerit Policy. I fully understand the financial obligations, time, and discipline that will be required of me as a member of the Majestics. If I am selected to be a Majestic, I agree to follow all Frisco ISD, Emerson High School and Majestics rules, policies and guidelines as it relates to the drill Team.

I understand that if I am unable to meet the requirements set forth in the Code of Conduct and Merit/Demerit System, I will forfeit my membership as a Majestic and no refunds will be given.

Candidate Name (printed) \_\_\_\_\_

Candidate Signature

\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

I have read the FISD Dance Team Code of Conduct and Guidelines and the Majestics Merit/Demerit Policy. I Understand and am fully aware of the time, financial obligations, and discipline required of my child as a member of the Majestics. I understand and agree to support and abide by FISD, Emerson High School and Majestics rules, policies and guidelines as it relates to the Drill Team. I will also assist the Majestics Director and EHS in monitoring and enforcing these policies and procedures with my child.

I support my child in this endeavor and understand the implications that will result in the event that the rules and regulations are not followed and no refunds will be given.

Parent Name (printed) \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature

Date \_\_\_\_\_

### **EHS Majestics**

### Merit / Demerit System Guidelines

#### Purpose:

In order to be a productive and successful team, it is necessary that each team member be responsible to uphold a discipline system and FISD code of conduct. The purpose of the merit/demerit system is to enhance our organization in a positive way by holding each team member accountable for team rules, policies, and procedures. The merit/demerit system will be enforced at all times. Each team member is responsible for knowing, understanding and following the system. The Director is the person who will issue merits and demerits. No student will have access to any student data or merit/demerit documentation. Merits and demerits will start being recorded once the new team is selected and go until the end of the Majestics' year.

#### Merit System Guidelines:

The merit system is designed to reward members for positive behavior. Opportunities to earn merits will be provided throughout the year by the Director. 1 merit will cancel out 1 demerit. Cardiovascular rehabilitation will still be given but will be canceled for grading and removal from the team. This is the only way a demerit can be removed from a Majestic's record.

#### **Demerit System Guidelines:**

The demerit system is designed to hold members accountable for team rules, policies, and procedures. Demerits may be canceled out by earning merits. When receiving a demerit the member will have to complete 10 back and forth gym bear crawls for each demerit as a form of cardiovascular rehabilitation. Students are expected to keep information regarding demerits to themselves.

#### Probation:

A member will be placed on probation if they accumulate 15 demerits. Once a member reaches probation, they will lose their eligibility to perform or travel with the Drill Team. Probation will result in being pulled from two performances based on director and EHS administration discretion. If infractions are incurred at the end of the school year, probation may carry over to the following year.

#### **Removal from Majestics:**

A member will be dismissed from the team if they accumulate 20 demerits, even if removal from performances or probationary period has not occurred. If a member is removed from the team, they will not be eligible to try out again unless they have permission from the Director and Principal.

#### Drill Team Grade:

The grade for Drill Team class will be determined by how many merits and demerits each member earns. A demerit is equal to 2 points taken off of the final 9 weeks grade. Example: If a member has 3 demerits, they will earn a 94 for the nine weeks.

### Majestics Demerit System:

Attendance:	Number of Demerits:
Tardy to practice, performance or mandatory activity	1 first 20 minutes, 2 for 20+
Unexcused absence from practice or other mandatory activity	3
Leaving early without the Director's permission	3-5
Unexcused absence from a performance	5
Attire:	Number of Demerits:
Wearing incorrect clothes/uniform	1 per piece
Wearing (not nude) nail polish for a performance	1
Wearing incorrect makeup	1
Wearing incorrect hair	1
Wearing jewelry at practice or a performance	1*
Wearing inappropriate clothes during school hours	1
Wearing unpolished boots or shoes with holes for a performance	2
Wearing tights with runs in them for a performance	1
Wearing incorrect clothes for spirit days	1
Lending Majestic attire to a non-Majestic member	1
Conduct:	Number of Demerits:
Talking at inappropriate times	1
Late to football stands	1
Forgetting to bring an item	1*
Dirty uniform/ and or not taken care of properly	1*
Chewing gum	1*
Using profanity	2*
Using a cell phone at inappropriate times	1
Not cheering at a pep rally/game or event that requires spirit	1
Not following instructions	1*
Leaving a mess behind you	1
Chores not completed	1
Untidy locker	1
Eating in uniform	1
Missing a deadline	1
Visible tattoo	3
Negative social media posts	3-5
Physical displays of affection (kissing, touching inappropriately, etc)	3-5
Behavior that is disrespectful to a Majestic member/leader/booster	3-5
Behavior that is disrespectful to the Director, Teacher or Administrator	5
Inappropriate conduct	5-10
Infraction of School Rules:	Number of Demerits:
Conduct Infraction (referral, detention, etc)	3-5- director discretion
Multiple conduct infractions are potential dismissal from team	director discretion
Being assigned ISS	5 per day assigned
Suspension from school	20=dismissal from team
Demerit Probation	15 demerits
Demerit Dismissal	20
ANY INFRACTION NOT LISTED ABOVE	DIRECTOR'S DISCRETION

I acknowledge that I have read and will follow the guidelines and the Majestics Demerit system for the duration of the 25-26 year. I understand that all demerits are at the Director's discretion and decisions are final.

Majestic Name Printed

Date

Majestic Signature

Majestic Parent Signature

### Majestics Financial Agreement

### \_ (candidate's name, please print) has

my permission to participate as a member of the Emerson High School Majestics Drill Team in all team practices, performances, and other activities.

I understand and agree to pay costs involved for my son/daughter to participate in the Emerson High School Majestics Drill Team. I understand that my son/daughter will not be allowed to perform until my balance is paid.

### NEW MEMBER TEAM FEE: Estimate \$1700

### **RETURNING MEMBER FEE: Estimated \$900**

Detailed cost breakdown will be given at the New Team Meeting. Amounts listed above are without any optional purchases. That amount will be added to your final installment if applicable. Payment plans are available if needed.

Parent Name:	

Parent Signature:	Date:
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Dance Team Acknowledgment Form

I PLEDGE TO FOLLOW THE DANCE TEAM CODE OF CONDUCT SET FORTH BY FRISCO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT.

I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE GUIDELINES SET IN THE CODE OF CONDUCT AND WILL ADHERE.

STUDENT SIGNATURE

DATE

I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE GUIDELINES SET IN THE CODE OF CONDUCT AND MY STUDENT WILL ADHERE.

PARENT SIGNATURE

DATE



### Frisco Independent School District Medical Release/Treatment

#### DANCE TEAM MEDICAL RELEASE FORM

Student's Name:	
School:	Grade:
all obligations and responsibilities for the med or injury during any squad related activity who physical or medical reason why she should no	is physically capable and able to fulfill nember. I understand that this form legally releases ical treatment of my daughter in the event of illness en either parent cannot be reached. If there is any of participate fully, the school requires a doctor's or any injury incurred during Dance Team activities.

Parent(s) Signature:	Date:

#### MEDICAL TREATMENT PERMISSION FORM

In the event of an emergency occurring while my child is on a school sponsored practice, performance, or trip, I grant my permission to the school and its employees to take whatever action necessary. In the event that I cannot be reached, I hereby authorize the school and/or its employees to give consent for my child to receive medical treatment.

Home Phone:	Business Ph	none:
Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Person to be notified other than pare	nt or guardian in an e	emergency:
Name:		Phone:
Family Doctor:		Phone:

If you do not grant permission/authorization for consent to medical treatment, what procedure should be followed?

Insurance Company:			Policy #		
Parent(s) Signature:			Date:		
Medical Information	<u>Circle</u>	<u>e One</u>		Circle	<u>e One</u>
Heart Condition or Disease	Yes	No	Asthma	Yes	No
Diabetes	Yes	No	Allergic to Medication	Yes	No
Convulsions Disorder	Yes	No	Allergic to Insect Stings	Yes	No
State allergies:					
Date of last tetanus shot:					
Additional medical information that might be helpful:					
Any medications currently rea	ceiving	:			



### Inherent Risks of Drill Team

Dance Team participation is reasonably safe as long as certain guidelines are followed, but there is the inherent risk of injury as in any athletic activity. Dance Team is an anaerobic/aerobic activity which includes jumping, stunting, motions, and tumbling. All physicals must be on file in the high school office before you may participate in practices and games. Keep your sponsor informed of all injuries and/or chronic conditions.

Although the probability of injury is minimized if you practice correctly, there is always the possibility of one occurring. Injuries that can occur in Dance Team include, but are not limited to, the following: Blisters, muscle strains, ligament sprains, joints and muscle soreness, abrasions, contusions, stress fractures, broken bones, spinal cord injuries involving paralysis, and even death. However, if you take certain precautions, the possibility of such injuries will be largely decreased.

#### BE SURE TO CONSISTENTLY ABIDE BY THE FOLLOWING GUIDELINES:

- NEVER stunt or tumble unless a sponsor or sponsor's designee is present
- Always practice in the presence of a qualified teacher
- Always warm-up appropriately before dancing (practice and games) by jogging & stretching
- Do not attempt a stunt that you do not know how to perform safely and that has not been checked off by the teacher
- Always use attentive spotters when stunting
- Always dance in an area free from obstruction
- Always use mats or a grassy area when stunting during practice
- Do not stunt on uneven ground, wet surfaces, and concrete. Do not stunt in cold or rainy weather
- Never talk, laugh, mess around when performing a stunt
- Report all injuries to the coach as soon as they occur
- Follow all trainer and doctor recommendations
- Lift weights to increase strength and guard against injuries
- Always wear shoes and clothing appropriate for Dance Team
- Never wear jewelry of any kind or chew gum when dancing (practice and games)
- Always have your hair pulled back from your face and shoulders
- Eat nutritious meals and get plenty of rest
- Always ask for assistance or advice at any time

I have read the preceding warning. I thoroughly appreciate and understand the assumption of risks inherent in Dance Team participation. I acknowledge that I am physically fit and am voluntarily participating in this activity.

STUDENT SIGNATURE:	DATE:

PARENT SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_



Travel Release Form

As part of its educational program, the Frisco Independent School District (FISD) has organized a variety of educational and learning activities and trips in which your child will have an opportunity to participate. These trips and activities are designed to benefit students by providing unique learning experiences and exposure to new and different people and places in a supervised setting. School personnel will keep you informed of the upcoming activities in which your child will have the opportunity to participate.

I acknowledge that liability of FISD, the FISD Board of Trustees, and any agents, employees, representatives, insinsurers, successors and assignees of the entities just names, is narrowly defined and extremely limited by Texas law and local policy.

#### EHS MAJESTICS STUDENT/PARENT AUTHORIZATION & RELEASE FOR OFF-CAMPUS ACTIVITIES

I hereby give permission for my dancer to participate in the various off-campus activities associated with the Frisco Dance/Drill Team program. I understand that FISD may not provide transportation to and from all activities. In the event that FISD does not provide such transportation, I further understand that I must provide transportation for my dancer as a condition of his or her participation in that activity.

In consideration for allowing my dancer to participate in off-campus activities, I knowingly and voluntarily agree to assume full responsibility and assume all risk for any accident, loss, damage and injuries he or she may sustain as a result of or arising out of any aspect of the activity. Furthermore, I, on behalf of myself, my dancer named below, our respective family members and our heirs, legatees, executors, administrators and assignees, hereby agree to release, acquit, discharge and hold harmless FISD and FISD Board of Trustees and any agents, employees, representatives, insurers, successors and assignees of the entities just names from any and all claims, demands, liabilities, actions or causes of action, of whatever kind or character, whether known or unknown, whether arising out of federal, state or local statute or common law, including claims resulting from negligence, that I or my dancer may sustain arising out of any aspect of the off-campus activity, including, but not limited to, driving or riding to or from the off-campus activity.

#### EHS MAJESTICS PARENT/GUARDIAN-STUDENT TRAVEL RELEASE & AGREEMENT

I have reviewed and agree to the information stated above. I understand the contents and give my permission for my child to attend district and out-of-district trips, school-sponsored, extracurricular and co-curricular activities. I understand the Frisco ISD and Emerson High School will not be liable for injuries and medical costs for students. I understand that any violation of set rules will subject my child to suspension from class, expulsion from school and dismissal from the dance/drill team organization. I further understand that any student violating the conduct rules of Frisco ISD or the dance/drill team organization will be sent home at his or her expense.

Student's N	ame:				
Parent/Guardian Name:					
Parent/Gua	rdian Signature:			Date:	
Address:					
	(Street)	(City)	(State)	(Zip)	



### Parental Permission for Educational Trip

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby grant permission for the above-named student of the Frisco Independent School District of Frisco, Texas to attend **Majestics related** field trips for the 2025-2026 School Year. I understand that Frisco ISD, its trustees, officers, and employees have immunity under Texas law, are not liable for any accident or injuries that may occur to the above named student as a result of his/her participation in this field trip, except as may be specifically provided by state law. I understand that my student will be required to comply with all School District standards of conduct and rules for behavior while on the trip, and that failure to do so will result in disciplinary action and/or exclusion from participation in the activity.

I further hereby authorize a representative of the School District to consent to medical treatment of the above-name student in the event of an emergency on the trip.

I, the undersigned, have read this permission form and consent to medical treatment and understand all its terms. I execute it voluntarily and with full knowledge of its significance.

Medical Concerns:	
PARENT SIGNATURE:	DATE:
Parent/Guardian Home Phone:	
Parent/Guardian Work Phone:	
Emergency Contact Name:	
Relation to Student:	
Phone:	

### Majestics Uniform & Costume Contract

Majestics Members will be issued a school owned uniform and equipment pieces. By signing the form below, you are stating that you read and understand the rules regarding the proper treatment of issued uniform and equipment pieces while in your care.

### Uniform Care & Instructions

Our Beautiful Majestics Uniforms need to be well cared for and washed/dry with very specific instructions. Failure to do so may ruin the uniform and will result in fines/replacement of the damaged uniform piece. Please adhere to the following instructions.

### NEVER dry clean the Majestics Uniform. Even "Sequin friendly" dry cleaners should never be used.

### **UNIFORM WASHING INSTRUCTIONS**

- HAND WASH all uniform pieces in cold water with a mild detergent such as Wool Litte
- Rinse thoroughly in cold running water
- Roll uniform in a towel to squeeze out excess water
- HANG DRY typically it takes 48 hours to dry completely
  - DO NOT turn in wet or damp items! They will mold in the closet and will not be accepted
  - Wet/damp items should NOT be zipped up in your garment bags ever
- NEVER apply heat to the uniform

### No Uniform pieces should be placed in the washing machine or dryer EVER!

### **DAMAGED UNIFORM & COSTUME PIECES**

- Dry cleaning and hairspray can damage the uniform & costumes. Please be cautious and avoid any damages including but not limited to holes, rips, damaged sequins, missing sequins/buttons, damaged zippers, etc may result in a fine
- Tanning products, spray tans and hair dyes can permanently damage costumes and uniforms. Avoid applying within 24 hours of wearing any costume or uniform.
- If any uniform or costume pieces are stained, soiled or returned unwashed, the student will be fined a cleaning fee. If it cannot be washed out and needs to be replaced, the student will be fined for the replacement.
- The student must pay for the replacement of any uniform or costume parts that are missing or turned in with excessive damage. Student must pay before being cleared for the year and report cards

### <u>I understand:</u>

- That the use of tanning products and/or spray tans may not be applied within 24 hours of wearing any uniform or costume. After the use of tanning products and/or spray tan appointments I must also shower within the 24 hour window before putting on any uniform or costume.
- That the field uniform must be hung properly as directed at all times.
- That I am not allowed to wear the uniform outside of Majestics events without permission from the director. I will not let any non-Majestic wear or use any Majestics uniforms or costumes.
- I will return all school issued uniforms in the same condition in which they were received, with the exception of ordinary wear and tear, and agree to pay for any losses or damages of the uniform. If any school issued item is lost, the reasonable replacement costs of the items will be due to Emerson High School. The repair and/or replacement costs will be assigned as soon as possible.

### I have read and fully understand this document and will abide by the terms and conditions.

Parent's Name (Print):	
Parent Signature:	Date:
Majestic's Name (Print):	
Majestics Signature:	Date:

### Student Release Form for Electronically Displayed Information

The intent of this form is to secure permission for publication of information about your student through online outlets which are accessible throughout the world for purposes of school news, team promotion and for the display of artistic work. These online outlets include but are not limited to the Majestics website, Social Media, EHS & FISD Web Pages.

I GIVE MY PERMISSION FOR THE FOLLOWING:

- The use of first and last name
- The use of image when in a group photograph
- The use of image when in a photo alone
- The use of artistic, literary or scientific work

Student's Name:	
Student's Signature:	Date:
Parents's Name:	
Parent's Signature:	Date: