

GENERAL INFORMATION

Informational Meeting
Friday April 1st, 2016 at 6:00pm
Gunter Gym
Off of 10TH AVE. and Cranford St.
GREELEY, CO. 80634

-Attendance at this meeting is strongly encouraged. However, if you are unable to attend please review the handout and contact Jordyn by email at jnfloming@gmail.com for further information.

Clinics:

April 12th 6:00-8:00pm and 14th 5:00-7:00pm at Gunter gym inside of Gunter Hall (located in Central Campus off of 10th Ave. and Cranford St.)
The clinics are \$5 each. These clinics will be run like a mock tryout and are highly recommended.

Auditions:

Saturday April 16th 9:00am-1:00pm (approx) FOUNDATION HALL

- -please bring dance resume, photo of self, most recent school transcripts, completed registration form and registration fee (\$20.00).
- Please wear tight fitting dance attire and no street shoes, feel free to express your own style. Please have full make-up done and hair down but out of face if you feel necessary or have bangs.

REMINDER: THIS IS A CLOSED AUDITION TO EVERYONE!

The audition will begin with registration where you will receive a number and be put in groups of 2-4. We will start with a short interview process within your group. Next, all participants will join together on the stage to perform several across the floor technique, followed by a short stylized routine that Jordyn will have someone teach. There will then be a cut made and all dancers not in the next round will be asked to leave. The final round will consist of much harder technique and across the floor combinations along with another more personalized interview. The routine will then be performed for the last time. The 2015-2016 UNC Sugar Bears Dance Team will then be announced.

Team Member Requirements

The UNC Sugar Bears are affiliated with the UNC "Pride of the Rockies" Marching Band. They play a major role with the marching band during football season and perform with them at all football games. The Sugar Bears and "Pride" will travel to outside events and games including a CBA performance.

The Sugar Bears are also very actively involved with the UNC athletics department, fund raising, activities and performances.

The UNC Sugar Bears also perform at all home Men's and Women's Basketball games.

Participation is required to all activities and games. We are still working out the logistics of basketball season and how much we will be dancing. This is due to a change in the athletic staff we are working with. This will be clarified before the basketball season starts.

There are mandatory camps the entire week prior to the beginning of each semester. Exact times and dates will be available later in the season.

All practices are held during the week, Monday through Friday anytime between 4 and 10:30pm. Dancers will be notified as soon as a practice schedule has been set. All classes must be scheduled around practice, no exceptions will be made. *Reminder* FRESHMEN ~ the sooner you sign up and go to Orientation, the better! DO NOT wait for the last minute; there will not be as many classes left to fit around your practice schedule.

In addition to team practices, members are expected to keep themselves healthy and keep a fit body by working out for at least 4 hours per week. Dancers will be required to sign in and out at the front desk of the university recreation center. It is also encouraged to keep up on their dance ability and technique. Studio/outside classes will be recommended throughout the year.

Other sports or commitments at the school are not recommended but will be dealt with individually by the coach. Also, team members within a university sorority will be handled accordingly. Sororities are not highly recommended due to the fact that Sugar Bears need dancers with FULL commitment. If this is an issue, let Jordyn know as soon as possible.

The last and most important requirement is dedication. Each member of the team must have a passion and dedication for Sugar Bears and the other members of the team!

Dance Requirements

Must have previous dance experience. There are no actual requirements that you must have to make the team. Each dancer is compared to other dancers that are auditioning. The Sugar Bears are not a competitive team but we take what we do very seriously; therefore, your ability to entertain and express your dance style will be a major factor in making this team. Typical technique at auditions include, double and triple pirouettes, tours, regular and center leaps, switch leaps, calypso's, leg turns, kicks, turning disc, etc.

Academic Requirements

The dancer must be a full-time student and have a **cumulative GPA of 2.5** or above. If grades fall below dancer will be suspended until grades improve.

Costs/ Must Haves

*Uniforms will be supplied

<u>Team shoes (Non refundable)</u>- Jazz shoes 45\$

Tennis shoes 60\$

<u>Fun Apparel(Non refundable)-</u> (I call all sugar bear clothing, bags, and earrings that you get to keep and is for you fun apparel)

T-shirt- 20\$
Bag/ backpack- 40\$
Team earrings- 10\$
Jacket- 50\$
Sweat Pants- 25\$

<u>Operational Expenses(Non refundable)-</u> (extra money to get supply for events, fundraisers, game day supplies, snacks, and other miscellaneous)-\$100

Total= \$350

*The girls are required to give me a check either on the day of auditions or within a week of making the team.

QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT:
Jordyn Floming
303-325-4803
jnfloming@gmail.com (Keep scrolling down for additional information!)

UNC Sugar Bear Contract

2015-2016

Practices:

Practices will be held Monday-Friday between 4 and 10:30pm. On weeks we have football games we will be practicing with the Band on Thursday and Friday 4:30-6:30pm. (Keep in mind while making class schedules).

- 1. Always be on time and stay the entire time at practice! If you are going to be late you must arrange it with the coach before hand.
- 2. Always wear appropriate clothing to practice.
- 3. If you are ill or injured notify the coach before hand.
- 4. Never miss a practice unless discussed with the coach
- 5. Never sit out of a routine during practice, unless arranged with the coach.
- 6. Practice is not a social hour! We are here to practice and perfect our dancing.
- 7. If you do not give the coach more than 24 hours notice that you are going to miss a practice before a game you will be benched.
- 8. If you miss practice it is YOUR responsibility to learn any material that you missed BEFORE the next practice or will risk being penalized.
- 9. Never assume practice is canceled unless notified by the coach.
- 10. Practice will begin on time.
- 11. All Cell Phones must be put away, and kept away during the entire practice.

Performances/Appearances:

- 12. If you do not know the dance the day before the performance and the coach feels that you're not ready under any circumstance, you will not perform.
- 13. Always arrive at a performance wearing all performance attire set by the coach.
- 14. Always arrive at a performance with hair and make-up done unless told otherwise by the coach.
- 15. Bring all costumes, poms, and shoes to all performances.
- 16. IF you are not able to perform or are benched you are still required to attend the performance in uniform.
- 17. All performances are mandatory unless told otherwise by the coach or Dr. Mayne.
- 18. Always pay attention during games and be an active participant.
- 19. Always act PROFESSIONAL at performances, remember you are in the public eye.
- 20. Never arrive late to a performance or pre-performance location.
- 21. Never leave early unless arranged with the coach
- 22. Never assume that a performance/appearance is cancelled, unless informed by the coach.

General Rules:

- 23. At the end of the Sugar Bear season all uniforms and poms are to be cleaned, and returned in good condition. You will be held responsible for lost or damaged uniforms.
- 24. Never lend out any part of the Sugar Bear uniform to anyone not on the team.
- 25. Never wear any Sugar Bear articles of clothing to a party or bar!
- 26. It has taken many years to create a positive and respectful image of the UNC Sugar Bears and as a member your behavior at all times will affect the public image of the entire team. Any reported behavior that would jeopardize the team's image will be reviewed and dealt with accordingly.
- 27. As a member of the collegiate dance team you must control your weight, health, keep up your flexibility, technique, appearance, and energy level throughout the year.
- 28. Those who engage in the consumption of alcoholic beverages or drugs before or during practices/performances/appearances of any kind, or while in uniform will be benched or sent home. The situation will be reviewed and the member may be removed from the team.
- 29. You must have a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or above and at least a 2.5 each semester. Grades will be checked by the coach during the season.
- 30. You may register for 1-3 credit hours per semester through marching band but it is not required.
- 31. You must be enrolled as a full-time student at UNC.
- 32. Always feel free to address any problems, or concerns with the Coach, captain, or Dr. Mayne at any time.

It is a privilege to be a part of the UNC Sugar Bears Dance Team and any violation of the rules stated above may result in being benched or removed from the team.

I have read and Understand these policies and procedures above and stated throughout this

| handbook and agree to abide by them while a member of the UNC Sugar | Bears Dance Team. |
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| Signature- UNC Sugar Bears Dance Team Member Printed Name | |
| UNC Sugar Bear Head Coach, Jordyn Floming | |

Director of the UNC Pride of the Rockies, Dr. Richard Mayne