

To: Principals and Cheerleader Coaches
From: Greg Stahl and Davine Davis
Re: **Admission of Cheerleaders -- State Wrestling – Updated 2018**

The MSHSAA is requesting your assistance in proper admission of cheerleaders as intended by the MSHSAA and the Spirit Advisory Committee. The limits that are set for admission are not unique to wrestling or any sport. They are designed around the nature of the sport, the facility limits and equality between sports. (Reference: Spirit Manual).

With these thoughts in mind the following instructions are to be followed for cheerleader admittance at the State Wrestling Championships.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR CHEERLEADERS AND CHEER COACHES

1. The Cheer Coach event pass should be claimed at the Cheerleader Entrance. **The entrance is now located on the north side of the Mizzou Arena at Will Call/Pass Gate entrance.**
2. If different sponsors will be supervising at different sessions, they must have the Cheer Coach event pass. It is the SCHOOLS responsibility to make arrangements to see that the Cheer Coach event pass is made available to the next coach. The coach event pass may be left at the Cheerleader Entrance if necessary.
3. The validated event pass will admit a Cheer Coach and a maximum of eight (8) cheerleaders **dressed** in matching uniforms.
4. **Only Cheerleading Groups as registered appropriately with MSHSAA and accompanied with school approved/certified coach will be recognized as a Cheerleading Squad for admittance purposes.**

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- a. There are no pass outs.
- b. **Cheerleaders and coaches must enter together, as a group.**
- c. No replacement of the pass can be made if it is lost.

ADMISSION TO THE FLOOR FOR SESSION 5-FINALS

Cheerleaders will be permitted on floor during the Championship session only under the following conditions:

1. **Only 3 cheerleaders per school, per weight class will be admitted to the floor;**
2. **Cheerleaders may only enter the floor through the elevator in the southwest corner. Permission will be granted by the Cheerleader Coordinator at the Southwest entrance before entering the floor area.**
2. **Cheerleaders must exit after each bout. They may not wait on the floor; they must exit through the tunnel in the southeast corner.**
4. **Uniform requirements shall be followed per the Spirit Manual.**
5. **Cheerleaders will be restricted to the designated area near the mats marked with (X's).**