

Cougarettes Commitment Constitution

As a member of the Cougarettes Dance Performance Group, dancers who audition are committing to a yearlong extracurricular first priority following family and academic commitments. This means that academics, or grades, come first, respectful and appropriate behavior is not optional, and that dance comes after those. As a Cougarette at Creekside Middle School, all teachers, administrators, and support staff will expect you to work very hard on maintaining your good grades and behavior at and away from school **(including your online and social media presence and communications)**. Ms. Wade, the dance program director, expects you to behave as a role model for other students. This is reflected in the way you appear to others, and includes your proper dress code, language, positive and optimistic behavior, and avoiding any negativity that surrounds you. We will practice in class for performances, but will rehearse after school, as needed. Your attendance is mandatory and you are expected to be prepared with proper dance attire, while you behave using proper dance etiquette. This experience is going to be fun, and committing to the experience will be a great way to improve your strength, flexibility, performance, dance resume, and student success. Please sign below to give your commitment in becoming a CMS Cougarette.

Dancer Printed Name _____

Signature _____

Parents & Guardians,

As a parent and / or guardian of a Cougarette dancer, please sign below as a commitment to support Ms. Wade in the decisions made for the entire performance group. No one dancer is more important than another, so please understand that Ms. Wade's commitment is to make decisions based on what is best for every single dancer. While Ms. Wade may ask for opinions in certain situations, please commit to understanding that not everyone will agree with all decisions made, but that negativity will not be tolerated towards Ms. Wade, towards and between parents and / or guardians, and / or towards students. As the adult sponsors for the dancers, we will commit as a group to maintain adult behavior and maturity at all times in order to make sure the experience for all of the students is a positive one. **Each non-emergency absence must be communicated at least 48 hours in advance via email, no exceptions, or dancers will have a 'strike'. On the third 'strike' of any kind, dancers are dismissed from the ensemble.** This mirrors all high school performance groups to prepare you for that experience in the future. Let's make this a great year full of smiles and memories for our Cougarettes ☺.

Printed Name _____

Signature _____

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Signature _____