JUDGE #1

Crowd Leading Tools, Formations/Spacing, Transitions (30 points)

Crowd Leading Tools (5 points x 3)	
2.5 - 3.0	
	Voices too difficult to hear
	Weak leadership of crowd
	Missing opportunities for crowd response
3.0 - 3.5	
	Voices are weak and lack enthusiasm, hard to understand
	Tentative leadership of crowd - only cheers to those directly in front
	Less than half of team used to lead the crowd
	No use of props in performance
3.5 - 4.0	
	Little use of props in performance
	Props have little variety and not used effectively
	More skills needed to effectively lead the crowd
	Voices are enthusiastic, but not always consistent
	Voices fade when changing formations and/or stunting
	Some good leadership of crowd
	Cheers to those in front and some to the entire crowd
	Half of the team is used to demonstrate skills to lead the crowd
4.0 - 4.5	Call outs are used by the squad to gain response
	Props are used with some crowd response
	Props could be used more effectively to lead the crowd
	While there is variety in skills, more variety is needed
	Majority of the team uses voices effectively with enthusiasm
	Voices fade slightly but can be understood
	Majority of the team cheers to the entire crowd
	Majority of the team demonstrates skills to lead crowd response
4.5 - 5.0	,
	Use of props enhances crowd response
	Props used for sufficient amount of time
	Props are varied and appropriate for the game day situation
	Full team uses voices that are strong and enthusiastic
	Full team has strong leadership of crowd
	Cheers to the entire crowd
	Full team uses skills to involve the crowd
Crowd leading tools include voices, as well as poms, signs, and megaphones. (NO	

FLAGS.) Good voice volume and enunciation relative to the number of athletes.

Formations/Spacing (5 points x 2)

2.5 - 3.0 No formation movement Little use of level changes

Lack of movement along the space of the floor

Spacing has no organization

3.0 - 3.5 Limited formation and/or level changes

Lack of formation variety

Some use of floor space

Spacing is too much or too little, lacks patterns

3.5 - 4.0 Formations and spacing awkward/off

Little variety in formation

Few change in levels

Average use of floor space

4.0 - 4.5 Good formations, could use more

Some variety in formations

Some changes in levels

Good use of floor space

4.5 - 5.0 Clean formations

Good spacing with formation variety

Good use of level changes

Variety of formations with precise spacing; visual and creative; good use of the floor

Transitions (5 points)

2.5 - 3.0 No transitions between elements

Elements feel disjointed

3.0 - 3.5 One or two transitions with no variety

Routine is choppy

3.5-4.0 Transitions awkward and slow

Little variety in transitions

Choppy routine flow

4.0-4.5 Good transitions

Some variety in transitions

Average routine flow

4.5-5.0 Smooth, seamless transitions

Good routine flow

Creative transitions and patterns of movement; quick pace and smooth flow of routine

Judge #2

Crowd Effectiveness + Showmanship/Visual Appeal (30 points)

Crowd Effectiveness (5 points x 3)

2.5 - 3.0 Pace of the routine is awkward, lacking rhythm

Does not invite crowd involvement

Stunting/tumbling not used

3.0 - 3.5 Pace is slow/not smooth

Limited opportunity for crowd involvement

Stunting/tumbling lack organization

3.5 - 4.0 Not easy for the crowd to participate

Pace is ineffective and choppy – too slow/fast

Cheer is difficult to follow and hard for crowd to respond

Stunting/tumbling added but seem awkward

Material is not effective for timeout

Yell backs/call outs not utilized for crowd to repeat

4.0 - 4.5 Crowd can respond minimally

Pace is average/not exceptional and somewhat smooth

Cheer is somewhat easy to follow, could use more direction

Material works for timeout

Stunting/tumbling included but could use more direction

Yell backs/call outs are few, too quick, or too quiet

4.5 - 5.0 Crowd can respond appropriately

Pace is smooth, works well, and effective, creates energy

Material fits the timeouts situation

Stunting/tumbling add to overall creativity of the routine

Yell backs/ call outs are enough and easy for crowd to follow

Crowd effectiveness addresses the opportunities for crowd response, including creativity along with difficulty, pace and energy. Allowable stunting and tumbling skills should be used to enhance the creativity of the Time Out portion of routine.

Showmanship/Visual Appeal (5 points x 3)

2.5 - 3.0 No facials or eye contact with the crowd, lacking spirit

No involvement with the crowd

3.0 - 3.5 Lacking facials and spirited expression

Little eye contact and appeal to the crowd

Uses some of the floor space to promote response

Weak involvement of crowd on entrance

Skills have little variety

3.5 - 4.0 Some facials and expressions

Good eye contact and appeal

Uses floor space to lead the crowd

Average involvement of crowd on entrance

Skills are lacking in variety

4.0 - 4.5 Majority of team has facial expression

Majority of team has crowd appeal and eye contact

Effective use of the floor, but could still use even more

Somewhat enthusiastic involvement of crowd on entrance

Skills are somewhat innovative and creative, but could still use more

4.5 - 5.0 Full team has natural smiles and facial expression

Full team uses a strong crowd appeal and eye contact; FUN TO WATCH

Effective use of the floor

Enthusiastic and encouraging on entrance

Skills are innovative and creative throughout the routine

Showmanship includes genuine enthusiasm and energy shown and maintained throughout the routine, confidence, natural facial expressions and smiles; strong athletic impression. Effective use of the floor.

Judge #3

Jumps + Motions (30 points)

Jump Difficulty (5 points x 1)

- 2.5 3.0 Some of the team performs a basic jump
- 3.0 3.5 Majority of the team performs 1 basic jump and an additional jump
- 3.5 4.0 Majority of the team performs 1 advanced jump and an additional jump
- 4.0 4.5 Majority of the team performs 2 advanced jumps
- 4.5 5.0 Full team performs 2 connected advanced jumps

Jump Technique (5 points x 1)

- 2.5 3.0 Poor level of technique
- 3.0 3.5 Below average technique
- 3.5 4.0 Average technique
- 4.0 4.5 Above average technique
- 4.5 5.0 High level of technique

Advanced Jumps – pike, side hurdler, front hurdler, toe touch, double nine, around the world

Basic Jumps – spread eagle, tuck

Jump execution – form (pointed toes, arm levels/placement; leg and body position); approach, landing (feet together), hyperextension/height; uniformity, timing

Motions Difficulty (5 points x 2)

- 2.5 3.0 Motions performed by full team at a slow place
- 3.0 3.5 Motions performed by majority of the team at a slow place
- 3.5 4.0 Motions performed by majority of the team at a moderate pace
- 4.0 4.5 Motions performed by majority of the team at a fast pace
- 4.5 5.0 Intricate motions performed by full team at a fast pace

Combination and variety of skills, difficulty of movements

Motions Technique (5 points x 2)

2.5 - 3.0 Poor technique and synchronization of cheer motions

Weak motions and slow pace

Levels off, wrists cocked or clubbed

All squad members don't perform the majority of motions

Not enough motion technique displayed

3.0 - 3.5 Below average technique and synchronization of motions

Below average motions and pacing

Some levels are correct, but majority are misplaced

Poms or props used too long so motion technique is hidden

3.5 - 4.0 Average technique and synchronization of motions

Average motions and pacing

Levels somewhat correct, a few misplaced

Most squad members perform the majority of the motions correctly

Adequate motion technique displayed

4.0 - 4.5 Majority of team has above average technique and synchronization of motions

Above average motions and pacing

Levels are rarely misplaced with a variety of pace

Good sharpness of motions

4.5 - 5.0 Full team has strong technique and synchronization of cheer motions

Strong motions and consistent pacing

Levels good with proper placement

All squad members perform the majority of the motions

Excellent sharpness of motions

Motion execution - sharpness, wrist and arm placement; uniformity; timing

Judge #4

Overall Impression (20 points)

Overall Impression (5 points x 4)

2.5 - 3.0 Lacks enthusiasm and musicality

Many mistakes

Little crowd appeal

Low level of energy

3.0 - 3. 5 Disorganized using time

Routine seems off, needs work

Below average crowd appeal

Low energy the majority of the time

Lacks musicality

Slower pace but interesting to watch

3.5 - 4.0 Timing errors, some mistakes, needs to use time effectively

Average crowd appeal

Need to sell routine to crowd

Could use more energy and musicality

4.0 - 4.5 Good routine, could use some fine tuning

Above average crowd appeal

Uses most of the time effectively

Majority of energy level and musicality is good but slows occasionally

4.5 - 5. 0 Clean, solid routine

Strong crowd appeal

Used time effectively

Exciting to watch, appears effortless and natural

High level of energy by full team, strong musicality

Overall impression includes enthusiasm, energy, musicality, and crowd appeal.

Appropriate stunting and tumbling can be used to enhance the routine. Musicality is the rhythm, tempo, mood, and expression used to go along with the school fight song. Cleanliness of the routine, along with poise, confidence, and visual creativity.