Cheerleaders

**Purposes**

The purposes for this activity are to encourage the participants in the athletic events (especially football, basketball, and wrestling) and to stimulate school spirit.

This group should be creating spirited cheers which can easily be remembered and passed traditionally from class to class so that all Wilson students and alumni can cheer for the athletic teams. They should be responsible for organizing spirited pep rallies and for generating school spirit in the gym and in the school with signs, posters, etc. Their show performance should be secondary to the performance of the athletic team that they are cheering.

**Selection**

Cheerleaders are to be selected by a group of five outsiders chosen by the coach and familiar with cheerleading routines. They are to judge the candidates on appearance, ability, voice projection, smile, coordination, timing, and technique. A scale ranging from 0-5 for each category is to be used. The scores will be tallied immediately after the tryouts are completed, and those trying out are to be notified at once as to who has been chosen.

**Requirements**

PIAA rules will apply to all cheerleaders as they do to athletes in that physicals, parent permission slips, school insurance, etc. are required.

**Size of Squads**

- **Varsity** - 12 members maximum - limited to 11th & 12th graders
- **Junior Varsity** - 10 members maximum - limited to 9th & 10th graders

The coach may promote a 10th grade JV when necessary.

**Sports to be Covered**

- **Football**
  - Varsity - home and away
  - JV - home only

- **Soccer**
  - Varsity - home only

- **Boys' Basketball**
  - Varsity - home and away
  - JV - home only

- **Girls' Basketball**
  - Varsity - home only

- **Wrestling**
  - Varsity - home and away