

Christ Lutheran School
2026 Basketball Tournament / February 13-15, 2026
Cheerleading Competition

Dear Cheerleading Coach,

We wish to invite you and your squad to be a part of the cheerleading competition at the 2026 Christ Lutheran Invitational Basketball Tournament. As always, we are looking forward to an excellent competition.

1. This competition will follow National Federation of State High School Association Spirit Rules. Copies of the NFSHSA Spirit Rules can be obtained by calling the NFSHSA at 317-972-6900 or by visiting their website at www.nfhs.org/rule-spirit.htm .
2. **NEW MUSIC RULE** The team may use a *maximum of two minutes* (2) of the three-minute routine time limit for music A deduction will be assessed for routines that exceed time limitations. Timing will begin with the first movement, voice, or note of music, whichever comes first on the competition floor after the team is officially announced. Timing will end with the last organized word, movement or note of music. The squad must exit the performance area immediately following the routine.
3. Music must be supplied. Please contact the cheer host prior to the competition to be sure your music is compatible with our sound system. Each team is responsible for running their own music. CLS will provide a sound system but does NOT provide someone to operate it. It is recommended that each squad bring 2 copies of their music.
4. A copy of the score sheet is included so that you can see what areas are being judged as you work with your squad. We have patterned the score sheet after the one used at the state competition. All of our judges are experienced in cheerleading, competition and judging.
5. Crowd participation is allowed while your squad is on the floor, however judges do not take crowd enthusiasm into account while they are judging.
6. The competition will take place at Christ Lutheran School on Saturday at approximately 8:00AM. The competition will be followed by the basketball players' free-throw and three-point competitions. During those competitions the cheerleading judging forms will be tabulated. At the end of the three-point competition the results of the cheerleading competition will be announced and trophies will be awarded.
7. We will again provide 2 cheerleading rooms to be shared by all squads. We would appreciate your help in seeing that no food or drink is taken into the room. When leaving, please check that all electrical equipment (curling irons, etc.) is unplugged. Keep in mind that the room is only for cheerleaders to get ready for a game, not a place to sit and visit.
8. We will **NOT** have a coaches meeting on Friday as we have in years past. Instead we will communicate via emails, phones, etc.

We are looking forward to having you with us this year and appreciate your cooperation in helping the competition run smoothly. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at 309-637-1512.

God's Blessings and Good Luck!
Terry Mooney
Tournament Director

**CHRIST LUTHERAN BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT
CHEERLEADING COMPETITION SCORESHEET
FEBRUARY 14, 2026**

<u>COMPETITION CATEGORY</u>		<u>TEAM SCORE</u>	<u>COMMENTS</u>
VOICE / SHOWMANSHIP	10	_____	_____
MOTIONS / DANCE			_____
	DIFFICULTY	7	_____
	EXECUTION	3	_____
JUMPS			_____
	DIFFICULTY	7	_____
	EXECUTION	3	_____
TUMBLING			_____
	DIFFICULTY	7	_____
	EXECUTION	3	_____
PARTNER STUNTS			_____
	DIFFICULTY	7	_____
	EXECUTION	3	_____
PYRAMID			_____
	DIFFICULTY	7	_____
	EXECUTION	3	_____
SYNCHRONIZATION	10	_____	_____
FORMATION / SPACING	10	_____	_____
CREATIVITY	10	_____	_____
CROWD APPEAL	10	_____	_____

RAW SCORE

_____ - DEDUCTIONS _____ =

TOTAL SCORE

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