

PARENT HANDBOOK

Dear Parents, Players & Dancers:

I would like to start by welcoming everyone to the Klein Eagles Booster Club! Each year the time between seasons seems to get shorter and shorter, so here we are again at another start of a season. I would I would like to say welcome back those players, dancers and their families who participated in our 2018 season, and also welcome our new players, dancers, and their families. We look forward to this being another season of fun and exciting games and events.

We, the Klein Eagles Booster Club (KEBC) Board of Directors, have been working since the end of last season planning for 2019. Again this year brings new faces to the coaching staffs and the board members. Being a season long volunteer takes a lot of time and dedication and I would like to thank all those who put in countless hours to make the season possible. I would also like to welcome those interested in becoming volunteers to join us in our effort to make KEBC better in the future. We are all together on the same mission and that's to make this year a very positive experience for your child and your entire family. Our goal as a club is to provide the best possible foundation by our commitment to proper fundamentals, teamwork, and the positive philosophy of competition to the best of our abilities. Our league and the club, including the experienced coaching staff, has your players and dancers best interest at heart, and will work diligently at ensuring he or she has a wonderful football and drill season.

Our club and your child's experience are made possible by the dedication of all of our volunteers. We are always looking for individuals to contribute their ideas and time to help with the success of the season. Although the recent times have made everyday life more challenging, we will start this season with over 150 families participating. If you would like to be involved in the ongoing success of your player and/or dancer, I encourage you to look for opportunities to help with the many activities required to keep the club running smoothly.

Please keep in mind that the club is run strictly on a volunteer basis and done so by using the guidelines set forth by the league. The club will always have the best interest of the players and dancers in mind when it comes to decision making. As the season progresses please know that the board, volunteers, and coaching staff will do their best to make your experience with the KEBC a positive one.

I would like to thank everyone in advance for their willingness to participate in our program and help make it a successful season. The Klein Eagles Booster Club wants the 2018 season to be one that is remembered positively for every single one of its participants.

Sincerely,

Mike White, KEBC President

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CONFLICT RESOLUTION

It is our sincerest hope that no problems will arise during the season; however, we are aware that a conflict may develop that requires attention. If you find yourself in that situation, the accepted process to address a concern is described below:

- 1. Your first point of contact to discuss any issue is the Drill Team Director. It is preferred that such discussions not be held on game days or during practice times. A more appropriate time would be before or after scheduled practices.
- 2. If the grievance is not resolved to your satisfaction, you may file a written complaint to the President of the Klein Eagles Booster Club.
- 3. If the grievance is not resolved to your satisfaction at the booster club level, you may file a written complaint to the AAYFDT.

KLEIN SILVER WINGS 2019 SEASON

Welcome to the amazing and award-winning Klein Silver Wings Cheer and Drill Team organization! I am anticipating a very exciting and successful year as we begin the 2019 season. We are committed to helping each member develop and maintain the following key principles: self-confidence, honesty, integrity, discipline, safety, respect, teamwork and FUN. They will develop lasting friendships, enjoy the expression and creativity of dance, experience the excitement of competition, and learn responsibility and discipline. With the latter of these accomplishments being the least favorite with our children, it does rank among the highest to ensure an organized and successful dance season. Team spirit, positive attitudes and attendance are also very important to our organization. Teaching these things to your child is our goal.

This handbook will serve as a point of reference for parents and team members throughout the season. Please take the time to read and understand all of the enclosed material. I hope you find the information helpful. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the appropriate staff member for assistance.

Once again, I would like to thank you for choosing to be a part of the Klein Silver Wings. I look forward to seeing them exhibit team spirit and experience the thrill of competition.

Please remember this is a volunteer organization. Our success depends on parent participation, sponsors and overall support.

The 2019 Silver Wing season is going to be AWESOME!

Respectfully yours,

Brittney Hiett Klein Silver Wings Drill Team Director - 2019 <u>kleinsilverwings18@gmail.com</u>

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KLEIN SILVER WING VOLUNTEERS

We encourage all parents to adhere to the volunteer commitment as set forth by the KEBC. Volunteering your time is essential to the successful functioning of team and completion of the season. There will be many opportunities available to assist you with meeting the required amount of credits. It also provides an opportunity to participate with and support your child's interest. A \$250.00 volunteer deposit check is required per family. Your check will only be cashed if you fail to complete the requirement. Your child will not be eligible for participation until such deposit fee check is received.

Volunteer Credits

For one child, you are required to complete 12 credit hours.

For two or more children, you are required to complete 18 credit hours.

If you have a daughter on the drill team and a son on the football team, you are required to complete 18 credit hours (9 for drill team and 9 for football).

What Can I Do To Help?

A list of volunteer opportunities will be made available during the pre-season practices. Please see the Drill Team Mom Coordinator and sign up!

BOOSTER CLUB POLICIES

Fees and Fundraisers

- The fees that are required, are necessary for the club to operate. Therefore, it is imperative that we collect these fees at the beginning of the season.
- All fees, fundraiser money, and volunteer deposit checks must be paid in full in order for your child to participate. If you have an outstanding balance, your child will not be able to attend practice or participate in games or performances.

General Conduct

- The league prohibits the use of profanity, smoking, alcohol, and use of illegal substances at AAYFDT events.
- Only the President, VP, Athletic Directors, Drill Team Director, Team Staff, and specific volunteers are allowed on the sidelines at games. All others are asked to stay behind the designated areas during practice and games.
- The Board of Directors have the right, by majority vote, to dismiss a coach, parent or child from the program for failing to abide by the league's and KEBC rules of conduct. They also have the right to bar those individuals from returning to the program in subsequent years.

<u>Rain Policy</u>

• The drill team will practice or perform if it is raining. The Director or Assistant Director will dismiss the team if lightning is present. Please purchase a clear rain poncho and carry it in your drill team bag at all times.

Picking-Up Children

- All practices will end on time. For security and liability reasons, parents will be expected to pick up their child on time. No Director or Coach will be responsible for any child after practice has ended. Should a child be left after practice ends, a written warning will be issued to the responsible parent or guardian. There will be no exceptions to this rule.
- To prevent being late, please plan to arrive ten minutes prior to the end of practice. This will also allow you to see what your child has learned or is currently working on.
- Failure to pick up your child or children on time may result in the following consequences:
 - 1) 1st Offense Warning letter from the club
 - 2) 2nd Offense Contact the Constable or Sherriff's Office
 - 3) 3rd Offense Removal from the club for the remainder of the season

PARENT MEETINGS/COMMUNICATIONS

Parent meetings will be held every week unless otherwise noted to keep parents informed of the following:

- Team practice schedules
- Progress
- Commitments (Snack and volunteer responsibilities)
- Updates or changes
- Game day schedules
- Homecoming
- Competition
- All other pertinent information

Mini Silver Wing Parent Meeting: Thursdays at 6:45 pm at practice location.

Junior Silver Wing Parent Meeting: Thursdays at 7:15 pm at practice location.

Senior Silver Wing Parent Meeting: Thursdays at 7:45 pm at practice location.

Every parent is strongly encouraged to attend the parent meetings. Important information will be discussed and reviewed to help your child have a fun and successful season. It's also an opportunity to meet other parents and get to know the Drill Team Staff.

Weekly e-mail reminders will also be sent to keep parents informed of the above. Please check your e-mail in a timely fashion and notify us immediately if there is a change in your e-mail address. We want to make sure every parent stays current with the Silver Wings calendar of events.

TEAM PRACTICES and GUIDELINES

The first practice will be held on a predetermined date late in July or Early August! All practices will be held at Kreinhop Elementary School, 20820 Ella Blvd. Practices will take place inside and outside of the gymnasium.

Practice Schedule:

Senior Silver Wings will practice on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm; and on Saturdays from 8:30 am to 10:30 am.

Junior Silver Wings will practice on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm; and on Saturdays from 8:30 am to 10:00 am.

Mini Silver Wings will practice on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm. NO Saturday practices.

Once games begin, Saturday practices are replaced by game day participation

- 1. The Silver Wings practices are closed to parent observation, except during the last 15 minutes of practice. This will allow parents the opportunity to see what your child has learned that day, but will also help them to maintain their focus and attention. At no time are parents allowed in the practice area.
- 2. Practices will begin promptly at 6:00 pm. If you are having any difficulty getting your child to practice on time, please notify a staff member. Two (2) tardies in one week will be counted as an absence; unless excused by the director.
- 3. Two (2) absences from practice in one (1) week will result in your child not cheering or performing at the next Saturday game. Excessive absences could warrant dismissal without refund at the discretion of the Director.
- 4. Please contact the director or assistant director if your child is not able to attend before the start of practice. An excused absence is a medical issue for which you have a doctor's note, an illness for which school was missed the day of practice, fever, vomiting, or other contagious illness at the time of practice. An absence for any other reason must be discussed with the directors and will be decided on an individual basis. A no call/no show will result in a demerit.

- 5. All Silver Wings that attend practice will be required to practice. If your child decides to sit out, this will be counted as an absence. The parent will be contacted for discussion and pick up.
- 6. Proper practice attire is required for every practice. Such attire includes: Silver Wings t-shirt and shorts, socks, tennis shoes, hair in ponytail, NO jewelry. Game day shoes are not to be worn at practice.
- 7. Please bring a large towel to sit on when practicing outside.
- 8. Food, snacks, chewing gum, and candy are not permitted.
- 9. All girls must bring a water bottle filled with water only; no sports drinks, sodas, or juice.
- 10. At all times our Silver Wings should represent the Klein Eagles/Silver Wing organization in a ladylike manner. There will be no profanity, talking out of turn, running around or general misbehavior. The Silver Wings have a demerit system that is used for unacceptable conduct. If a child is misbehaving, they will be given ONE warning. After the initial warning, demerits will be issued. Please read the attached demerit policy and guidelines. THREE (3) demerits in one week will result in your child not performing at the upcoming Saturday game. ATTENDANCE AT THAT GAME IS STILL MANDATORY. Cooperation and respect for the directors, coaches, instructors, team parents, volunteers and all teammates is a must. If bad behavior continues or worsens, the KEBC board will be notified and the ultimate action will be at their discretion, up to and including dismissal from the team.
- 11. Positive incentives for good behavior will be rewarded accordingly. Each participant will have the opportunity to be the "Spirit Winner of the Week".
- 12. **Please** make sure your child uses the restroom before practice. During the pre-season, restrooms are **not** available as we will be practicing outside. If your child has to go to the restroom, parents will be contacted for pick up.

GUIDELINES DURING FOOTBALL GAMES

- 1. The same code of conduct required for practices is also required at all football games.
- 2. Two (2) unexcused absences from Saturday games may result in being expelled from the Drill Team. This is an AAYFDT organization rule.
- 3. It is mandatory that you be on time to games. The team is depending on each and every girl. Tardiness to a game may result in the dancer sitting out of the first performance.
- 4. The Klein Eagles play eight (8) football games before playoffs. Our home games will be played at Strack Intermediate. Silver Wings perform during the half-time of two (2) games each Saturday. When the Eagles are the "home" team, the girls will perform during the two (2) morning games; estimated time frame of 8:15 am to 12 noon. When the Eagles are the "away" team, the girls will perform during the two (2) afternoon games; estimated time frame of 11:30 am to 3:00 pm. Please keep in mind that our drill team shares the field with the visiting drill team. This scheduled allows each team an opportunity to perform.
- **5.** The Drill Team Director, Assistant Director, Coaches and Team Moms will have complete control of each Silver Wing during the games from arrival until they are dismissed. **At no time will a child be unsupervised.**
- 6. The girls should be well hydrated and have a good breakfast or lunch before the game. Each child will need to bring a snack and water bottle. Suggested snacks are: plain crackers, plain popcorn, plain chips, grapes, fruit snacks, rice cakes, raw vegetables, Lunchables. Please do not allow your child to bring any food items that will potentially soil their uniform. Sharing of food is not allowed. They will not be allowed to go to the concession stand or have parents remove them from the team to feed them. The only exception to this rule is for medical necessity. Please discuss such concern with the Drill Team Director prior to the beginning of the season so that appropriate arrangements can be made.
- 7. At the beginning of each game, a parent or guardian **must** accompany their dancer to the designated drill team section and sign in to their Team Mom. At the conclusion of the second game, a parent or guardian **must** sign out their dancer from the Team Mom. If someone other than the parent will be signing in or signing out the dancer, a written note of consent from the parent **must** be presented. No child can be without a parent/guardian at the game.
- 8. The Silver Wings will have an assigned covered area to sit at during the games. For the safety of the girls, parents, relatives, and/or friends are **not** permitted to sit in this designated area.

- 9. There will be designated times for snacks and restroom breaks. Team Moms will be assigned to assist with such activities.
- 10. **Full uniform is required at all times at performances.** This consists of the top, skirt, bloomers, game day socks, game day shoes, game day hair bow, Silver Wing duffel bag/backpack and water bottle. Hair must be worn in a high middle ponytail without hair in the eyes. Uniforms are machine washable and must be clean and neat; inspection will take place before each performance. **Absolutely no make-up, nail polish or jewelry.**
- 11. Uniforms may not be worn for any other occasion other than the Klein Eagles football games and competition. While in uniform, you represent the KEBC/Silver Wings organization. After dismissal, you must change out of your uniform.

Preliminary - KLEIN EAGLES FOOTBALL SCHEDULE – 2019

Schedule is subject to change!

Starting game times may vary, but the scheduled game times are:

- Freshman 9:00am
- Sophomore 10:30am
- Junior 12:00pm
- Senior 2:00pm

When the Eagles are the home team, Silver Wings must arrive at 8:15 am. When the Eagles are the away team, Silver Wings must arrive at 11:30 am. **PLEASE BE ON TIME.**

September 7th vs. Klein Oilers (Away) September 14th vs. Klein Broncos (Home) September 21st vs. Klein Texans (Away) September 28th vs. Klein Bengals (Home) October 5th vs. Tomball Patriots (Away) October 12th vs. Klein Rams (Away) October 19th vs. Spring Lions (Home) October 26th vs. Oakridge Saints (Home) November 2nd – First round of Playoffs

<u>Guidelines Regarding Disciplinary Policy & Demerit System</u>

It is the goal of the entire Silver Wing staff to give the girls a very fun and positive experience while participating in the Klein Silver Wing Drill Team. We are dedicated to teaching the meaning of the word "TEAM". We stress to the girls the importance of presenting good sportsmanship to other organizations; being kind to each other and helping the team achieve our goals. We sincerely enjoy this volunteer work and our benefit is realized as we watch the girls grow and build characters that they can become positive influences in our community.

We have incentives built into our program to reward the team accordingly. We want to encourage ladylike behavior and the full cooperation of each participant. However, misbehaving **will not** be tolerated. We have established a demerit system as a consequence for certain rule infractions.

INFRACTION	DEMERITS
Practice	
Incorrect practice attire or failure to dress out for practice	1
Chewing gum at practice	1
Excessive talking during practice	1
Disrespectful or rude behavior to coach or other volunteers	2
Wearing jewelry	1
Tardy to practice	1
Using profanity	2
Unexcused absence from practice	2
Performance	
Incorrect, incomplete or soiled uniform at game	2
Tardy to game	2
Unexcused absence from game	3
Gum chewing	1

The following is a list of rule infractions and the demerits that will be issued for each:

Wearing jewelry to game	1
Disrespectful behavior to coach, team mom or other volunteer	2
Profanity	2
Leaving the stands during a game without permission	2
Miscellaneous	
Disrespectful behavior to teammates or other drill team organizations	2
Failure to bring appropriate items to practice or game	1

An Excused Absence is a medical issue for which you have a doctor's note, an illness for which school was missed the day of practice, fever, vomiting or other contagious illness at the time of practice. In all instances, the Director or Assistant Director MUST be notified BEFORE the start of practice. A no call/no show will result in a demerit. An absence for any other reason must be discussed with the Directors and will be decided on a case by case basis, if the absence will be excused.

THREE (3) demerits in one week will result in your child not performing at the upcoming Saturday game. **ATTENDANCE AT THAT GAME IS STILL MANDATORY.** Cooperation and respect for the directors, coaches, instructors, team parents, volunteers and all teammates is a must. If bad behavior continues or worsens, the KEBC board will be notified and the ultimate action will be at their discretion, up to and including dismissal from the team.

HEAT RELATED PROBLEMS AND PREVENTION

Our hot Texas weather demands we be especially cautious with our children, as they don't have the same capacity to regulate their body temperature as we do.

Heat Cramps

This is caused by the rapid loss of fluids from our bodies. It presents itself as cramps in the fingers, arms, legs and stomach area. The person will be very sweaty, rapid pulse, with a normal blood pressure and temperature. TREATMENT IS TO HAVE THE PERSON STOP WHAT THEY ARE DOING, DRINK WATER AND POSSIBLY ADD AN ELECTROLYTE SUCH AS DILUTED GATORADE.

Heat Exhaustion

This is caused by the loss of water and salts from the body. Symptoms are weakness, dizziness, nausea, fainting, thirst, anxiety, extreme sweating, rapid pulse, elevated temperature and a normal to depressed blood pressure. TREATMENT IS TO STOP WHAT THEY ARE DOING AND GET THEM TO A COOL AREA. HAVE THEM DRINK WATER FIRST, THEN A DILUTED SPORTS DRINK. IF THEY DO NOT IMPROVE WITHIN 5 MINUTES, CALL 911.

Heat Stroke

This is when the person loses the ability to cool himself. THIS IS A TRUE EMERGENCY! It presents itself as a high body temperature, the rapid pulse begins to slow and blood pressure falls with rapid shallow breathing, disorientation, seizures, and can even lead to a coma. The individual will be hot and dry. TREATMENT IS TO CALL 911; MOVE THE PERSON TO A COOL AREA AND START COOLING THEM WITH RAGS DIPPED IN COOL WATER. HAVE THEM DRINK ONLY IF THEY ARE ALERT ENOUGH TO DRINK BY THEMSELVES!

- Have your child start drinking water at least one hour before practice or games. This should be water only NOT SODA!
- Bring plenty of water to practice for your child.
- If you child wants to eat before practice, have her eat fruit, peanut butter, or things that are easy to digest and light. Small quantities are recommended. NO DAIRY!
- Following these guidelines will help ensure a safe and fun filled season!

DRILL TEAM COMPETITION SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2019

Klein Oak High School

- This event and practices are **MANDATORY**
- After football season, Silver Wings will be required to practice three (3) times each week
- We will be polishing our routines and making adjustments to accommodate our performance
- Please do not schedule other activities that may conflict with practices or competition
- The participation of our dancers will impact the entire team and scoring
- Be prepared to work hard and work together for the thrill of competition

ADDITIONAL OPTIONAL EXPENSES

We have compiled a list of optional expenses that you may incur this year. <u>The following prices</u> are based upon the past five years with Silver Wings and are subject to change.

- 1. AAYFDT T-shirt sales
- 2. Additional practice shirts or shorts \$12/each
- 3. Silver Wings Merchandise: There will be a variety of merchandise to choose from to support your Silver Wings.
- 4. Pictures: \$7-\$50 packages These are team and individual pictures that will be taken. Date to be determined.
- 5. Picture Buttons: \$5—An individual shot of your daughter on a button to proudly wear when she performs.
- 6. Competition Music: \$1 This is a CD with the team specific music for practicing at home.
- Competition Ad: \$25-\$100 The girls will each receive a program at competition in which you may purchase an ad to express how proud you are of them. The ads range in size from 1/4 sheet to a full page. (October)
- 8. Competition Flowers: Cost pending vendor. You may purchase in advance a bouquet of flowers with a note from you attached to be given to your daughter after she performs at competition. These are given to the girls in the dressing room before trophies are awarded. (October)
- 9. Competition Tickets: \$8-10 per guest Entrance into the competition venue. No charge for the dancers. Pre-sale tickets may be available. (October/November)
- 10. Banquet: Approximately \$15-25 per guest (Silver Wings dinner provided) —We have a year-end banquet for both football and drill team. At this time, we will have dinner and hand out special awards. (November/December)
- 11. Klein Eagles/Silver Wings Yearbook: Given out at the banquet with pictures of the football team and drill team throughout the season. The yearbook price will be announced.
- 12. You may also purchase ads for the yearbook to express to your dancer how proud you are or just showcase pictures of your dancer. The ad prices will be announced, but will likely range from \$25-\$100. The ads range in size from 1/4 sheet to a full page.

DANCER BEHAVIOR AGREEMENT

Being involved in the Klein Silver Wings organization is an opportunity to have fun, improve skills, make new friends, develop social skills and learn about being a part of a team. All Silver Wings and their parents are asked to sign an agreement form, showing that you have read the information given and feel able to fulfill the requirements.

I agree to respect the authority of the director, assistant director, instructors and adult volunteers associated with the organization.

I agree to use the appropriate language and behavior, as stated in the disciplinary and demerit system. I understand that demerits may be issued for rule infractions.

I agree to do my best at all times.

I agree to be responsible for both my practice clothes and my uniform, keeping them clean, neat and in my possession at all times.

I agree to demonstrate good sportsmanship and a good attitude.

PLEASE ACKNOWLEDGE BY SIGNING THE NEXT PAGE.

PARENT/GUARDIAN BEHAVIOR AGREEMENT

We want you to be aware of some of the expectations we have for you as parents. All Silver Wings parents/guardians are asked to sign an agreement form showing that you have read the information given and feel able to fulfill the requirements.

I agree to bring my child(ren) to practice on time.

I agree to bring my child(ren) to the games at the time requested. I understand that if she(they) is late, she(they) will not be allowed to go on the field at the beginning of the game nor will she(they) be allowed to cheer during the first half of the game.

I agree to notify the drill team director/assistant director by cell phone if my daughter(s) will be absent from a practice or game, PRIOR THE THAT EVENT. I understand that the absence may or may not be considered an "excused" absence. An unexcused absence will result in (1) or more demerits.

I agree to perform my volunteer credit hours for the club during the season and if I do not, my volunteer check will be cashed.

I agree to respect all due dates and deadlines given to me by drill team staff.

I agree that all fees, included but not limited to fundraiser, registration, uniform, etc, will be paid before the start of the season; otherwise my child(ren) will be ineligible to participate.

I understand that there will be no foul language, smoking or use of alcohol tolerated and that fighting, physical or verbal, is strictly forbidden. Failure to comply with this rule can result in suspension, temporary expulsion or permanent expulsion from the league.

PLEASE ACKNOWLEDGE BY SIGNING THE NEXT PAGE.

SIGNATURE PAGE

Dancer Behavior Agreement

Both the dancer and parent/guardian have read and understand the Dancer Behavior Agreement and associated materials in this packet, and agree to follow the guidelines while acting as a Silver Wing/Mini Wing. We also understand that failure to comply may result in being prohibited from participating in certain activities or other measures as deemed by the KEBC.

Dancer Name:	-
Dancer Signature:	Date:
Parent /Guardian Name:	
Parent /Guardian Signature:	Date:

Parent / Guardian Agreement

I have read and understand the Parent/Guardian Agreement and associated materials in this packet, and agree to follow the guidelines while my child is involved as a Silver Wing/Mini Wing. I understand that failure to comply may result in being prohibited from participating in certain activities or other measures as deemed by the KEBC.

Guardian Name:
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Parent /Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____