



**University of Arkansas Razorback 2018
2018 Marching Band Twirler Auditions
Audition: MARCH 3, 2018
7:00 AM – 3:00 PM
University of Arkansas Campus
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The Razorback Majorettes hold a very special role in the Razorback Marching Band! Not only are they visual contributors on the field but carry the spirit, pride, and tradition of the University of Arkansas! Performing for 76,000 football fans is one of the many perks to being part of this team! In addition to performing at Donald W. Reynolds Razorback Stadium in Fayetteville, the Razorback Majorettes have the opportunity to perform at War Memorial Stadium in Little Rock, AT&T Stadium in Arlington, TX, any post-season football games, and at variety of school functions! These special ladies have the honor of being part of long tradition of excellence and truly love cheering on their RAZORBACKS! GO HOGS!

Majorette Line Auditions:

To audition for the University of Arkansas Majorette line, you must be able to execute the following:

- Toss walk-over/ or cartwheel (Bonus Trick)
- Toss illusion- both cross over and regular
- Two spins: vertical (catch left/right) and horizontal (catch right)
- Two Baton combinations: (etc: split horizontal/vertical toss, showers, split backhand/vertical toss)
- (Three batons: this is not a requirement, but would love to see if capable)
- Tour jetes
- Grand jetes (left and right)
- Layback
- Advanced understanding of bodywork and low baton combinations
- High knee marching in-step
- Splits

**Each candidate will need to prepare a solo not to exceed 2 minutes. Routine can be constructed to candidate's choice of music. (Please choose music that is tasteful.) Incorporate personal style as well as some of the required technical skills including 2 and 3 baton. **You will be asked to perform this routine if you successfully advance to the second round.

-Please bring 2 copies of music (In CD form only). You will be asked to turn in music if your number is called after group audition.



Frequently Asked Questions

Arrival:

Being an Razorback Majorettes requires physical and endurance strength. We will be asking you to run a mile under 8:30 minutes upon arrival and warm up. You may run with music. Candidates who run over 8:30 minute mile will have 5 points deducted from their final score. 15 points max will be given to those who are within the time allotted.

Downfield:

In addition to our group routine, the coordinator will be teaching a downfield routine. Candidates will learn a six 8-count routine which includes high knee marching, baton movements, and prancing to music. Girls will have a short period of time to learn this routine before performing. This portion of the tryout will be 30 points.

Group audition:

During the group audition a 1-1:30 minute routine will be taught by the coordinator and performed in groups of two or three. Candidates will be judged on execution of required tricks and quickness of learning during this portion of the tryout. (Please be prepared to execute any of the required tricks individually if needed.)

What to wear?

2 Options: Black leotard with low cut back(cut out must be to the small of your back) OR Black Sports bra and Black dance shorts, tights, and proper twirling shoes. Full performance hair and make-up. (We perform with hair half up and in pony tails) **You may bring a wind suit to wear during interview.

What will the judges look for at auditions?

Personal appearance, showmanship, twirling/dance ability, poise, personality, and speaking ability. Interview: Be prepared to introduce yourself, provide an overview of background education, and goals.

How many girls will be taken?

We can take up to 12. It is within our discretion on the cutoff point.

Do current Majorettes have to try-out every year?

Yes

Scholarship opportunity?

Currently Majorettes receive: \$1000 and baton bag