



Bowie Mascot Tryout Structure

Mascot candidates will attend a **1-day clinic** and **1-day tryout**, instead of three days like cheer. March 10th 5:00-7:30 and March 11th 5:00-last candidate tryout

Philosophy:

We plan to take all mascot candidates who demonstrate:

- Coachability
- Effort
- Positive attitude
- Basic performance readiness

Cuts would only occur if a candidate shows unsafe behavior, extreme lack of effort, or inability to perform in costume.

Day 1 March 10th – Mascot Clinic (Learning Day)

- Candidates learn mascot fundamentals
- Learn a short performance skit
- Practice movement, crowd interaction, and character development

Day 2 March 11th– Mascot Tryout (Performance Day)

- Perform skit in mascot suit
 - Demonstrate basic mascot skills
 - Evaluated by Judge
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DAY 1 – MASCOT CLINIC AGENDA

5:00-7:30

1. Welcome & Expectations (10 min)

- What makes a great mascot
- Safety & professionalism
- Energy vs. control

2. Mascot Fundamentals (25 min)

- Walking & posture
- Exaggerated body movements
- Facial expression through body
- Using hands & gestures
- Crowd engagement techniques

3. Character Development (15 min)

- Creating personality

- Staying in character
- Yes/No responses
- Reacting without speaking

4. Learn Skit / Short Routine (25 min)

- 30–45 second skit
- Includes:
 - Entrance
 - Interaction moment
 - Big reaction
 - Exit

5. Run-Throughs & Feedback (15 min)

- Group run-through
- Individual notes
- Q&A

DAY 2 – MASCOT TRYOUT AGENDA

5:00-until last candidate tryouts

1. Warm-Up & Review (10 min)

- Quick movement review

- Skit walk-through

2. Individual Skit Performances (30–40 min)

- Performed **in mascot suit**
- One candidate at a time

3. Skill Stations (15 min)

Candidates demonstrate:

- Walk & posture
- Big reactions
- Crowd interaction moment
- Character response (judge gives scenario)

4. Wrap-Up

- Thank candidates
- Results will be posted with cheer on March 16th

WHAT THEY ARE EVALUATED ON

- Energy & effort
- Body control
- Character commitment

- Crowd engagement
- Coachability
- Professionalism

Bowie High School Mascot Tryout Score Sheet

Candidate #: _____

Points Possible	Category	Scale	Total Points	Comments
20	Energy & Performance Level Big, clear movements High energy without being reckless	0 1 2 3 4 5 0 1 2 3 4 5	____ /20	
15	Body Control & Movement a.) Clean walking b.) Balanced posture c.) Controlled motions	0 1 2 3 4 5 0 1 2 3 4 5 0 1 2 3 4 5	____ /15	
20	Character & Personality a.) Stays in character b.) Expressive body language c.) Entertaining	0 1 2 3 4 5 0 1 2 3 4 5 0 1 2 3 4 5	____ /20	
15	Crowd Interaction a.) Engages audience b.) Creates moments c.) Reads reactions	0 1 2 3 4 5 0 1 2 3 4 5 0 1 2 3 4 5	____ /15	
20	Skit Execution a.) Knows material b.) Timing c.) Commitment	0 1 2 3 4 5 0 1 2 3 4 5 0 1 2 3 4 5	____ /20	
10	Coachability & Attitude a.) Takes corrections b.) Positive demeanor c.) Respectful	0 1 2 3 4 5 0 1 2 3 4 5 0 1 2 3 4 5	____ /10	

Judge's Initials: _____ Deductions: _____ GRAND TOTAL: _____ /100

RECOMMENDED SCORING INTERPRETATION

- **70+** → Ready for mascot role
- **60–69** → Acceptable with growth plan
- **Below 60** → Conference with coach before placement