

2024 MCJA Election Form

PLEASE fill out this form by Friday, April 5, 2024.

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Position Running for:

- Representative
- President-Elect

Have you been a member of MCJA for three consecutive years?

Yes

No

JUDGING EXPERIENCE *

I have judged panel for the past 14 years. I have had many post season assignments including state finals. I am also an official for NCAA STUNT.

OTHER EXPERIENCE RELATED TO SERVING AS A BOARD MEMBER *

(Coaching, Training, etc.)

I coached at Oxford High school for 3 years. But I was a cheerleader from 7th grade, all the way up through my college years at Albion College. I have been officiating STUNT for the last 5 years. I started in 2019 and was asked to officiate Nationals in 2020, 2021 & 2022. I have been asked to come to teams practices by coaches. I did multiple invites annually with multiple state qualifying teams. This past season I took a slight break, to be around for my very active kiddos. But still did a few competitions as a Comment Judge.

What will you bring to the MCJA Board? *

I have a drive to make changes and listen to others. I want everyone to feel they have a voice in this sport. I also want to bring education to this group of amazing people. I'm very interested in bringing m perspective on how I judge round one, for Difficulty and Variety. I love working in groups and bouncing ideas off others. I feel that one idea may sound amazing, but with multiple people involved and talking, a even better idea can come from that.

Why are you interested in being on the MCJA Board? *

I have always loved cheer. I know some people would call this their "side gig," but I want this to be more like a part time job. Something I can work on a little bit each day, especially during the off season. I want to explore new options of how we do things and make them better or just different.

What do you see as the role of MCJA? *

I see this role has getting peoples feet wet, with cheer, as they step thru this door. We may have former athletes that want to judge after high school or college. Or a parents who's child has cheered and wants to know more. We may have someone off the street that I just wanting to be more diverse in their life. It's a very different view from the table, then it is from the mat, bleachers, offices or streets. I see us educating more and being a place where people can feel comfortable ask questions, or discussing something that has been a problem for them, and get answers or advice in a timely manner. But I see this group as a place where we can all get together and feel that we belong together.

How will you encourage other officials to be a part of MCJA? *

I have been encouraging others to officiate for years. I know I can personally say that I've gotten a handful of people to start being an official. But I want to talk about our sport and how we have a need for more judges. I want to educate anyone who will listen to me, talk about the changes we would like to make and the changes we NEED to make. But I want people know that my door is always open for communication. I love this sport and just want the world to know! This position will help me make that known!!!

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