

SAM HOUSTON STATE UNIVERSITY FEATURE TWIRLER AUDITION INFORMATION

Twirlers interested in auditioning for a feature twirler position should email the following items to the Director of the Bearkat Marching Band, Dr. Brian Gibbs at bxg012@shsu.edu and kelleymccormick5@gmail.com by February 1.

***Twirling/School Resume**

***Two personal references (one must be from a twirling coach)**

***Photograph in twirling costume**

A closed twirling audition will be held at the Sam Houston State University Recreation Center. The date and time will be announced by the end of February.

Twirlers should arrive ready to perform in full performance attire. Each twirler will be asked to perform a 2:30 – 3:00 minute routine choreographed to music of your choice showcasing your 1, 2 and 3 baton skills. A short interview will follow after all candidates have performed.

Candidates will be judged on difficulty, technique, execution, effective interpretation of musical selection, variety and showmanship.

Preferred skills:

***2 and 3 spins (vertical and horizontal)**

***toss illusion**

***rolls**

***toss cartwheel or walkover**

***2 & 3 baton combinations**

***advanced understanding of bodywork and dance**

***Tour Jetes, Grand Jetes, Layback, Splits & Cabriole**

Each candidate will be privately contacted Saturday afternoon with the results.

Should you have any questions regarding required twirling skills, please contact Kelley McCormick at kelleymccormick5@gmail.com or 479-531-2557.