spirit, pride, & loyalty @Bethany

Welcome and thank you for your interest in Bethany College Spirit Group. In considering Bethany, you have chosen a program that has a rich history of success and tradition on the fields and courts. The purpose of the Bethany College Spirit Group is to support the athletic teams of Bethany, encourage crowd participation, present a positive role model, communicate and socialize with alumni and fans, and attract positive attention to the college.

We have several special events throughout the year that help enhance your total experience during your time in the program; including team activities, school traditions, and community celebrations.

dance team

The Bethany dance team is made up of approximately 10-15 girls and is recognized as an emerging varsity sport. As a member of the dance team you’ll perform at all home football and basketball games by using a variety of styles (pom, jazz, and hip hop). We’ll also compete for a KCAC Conference Championship and NAIA National Championship each year.

cheer squad

Bethany’s cheer squad is a small coed team made up of approximately 10-20 men and women student athletes and is recognized as an emerging varsity sport. The team will cheer at all home football and basketball games and will do halftime performances at select games. Aside from all the games, school, and community activities, we’ll also compete for a KCAC Conference Championship and NAIA National Championship every year.

benefits

• Dedicated practice studio in the Stroble-Gibson Athletic Complex
• Budget for equipment and travel expenses
• Opportunities for judging tryouts, conducting private camps, or giving individual lessons.
• Complete access to Bethany College athletic trainers and strength and conditioning coach. All spirit group members participate in a complete strength and conditioning program in the Bethany College fitness and weight facilities.

Spirit Group members are seen as cheerleaders, dancers, entertainers, and most importantly, as Ambassadors for the university. Public relations are a common part of the Spirit Group’s role at Bethany College.

sporting events

Part of being the best means effective sideline cheering and crowd leadership! Each squad member is required to attend all athletic
events, understand the role of the Spirit Group at these events, and lead and entertain the crowd in order to support Bethany College as ambassadors! Performances and competition are only part of the commitment. Our priority is to support our athletic teams! Bethany College athletes have a winning tradition which makes dancing and cheering fun, challenging and exciting! As a squad member you can count on several things:

• Coach to athlete relationship
• Working with talented, self-motivated, goal oriented athletes.
• Guidance and support in achieving your academic goals.
• Training in an organized, established and fair program where there is a strong emphasis on striving for excellence in all areas.
• Hard work, friends, and success

tryout options

• Individual Tryout
• Early Bird Tryout
• Final Tryout

For more information regarding individual tryouts and other tryout dates contact Coach Todd Robinett.

about head coach Todd Robinett

Todd Robinett grew up in Jewell, Kansas and gained his Associates degree at Hutchinson Community College (HCC) in 2001, and was a member and captain of the cheerleading team. He then continued his education at Oklahoma State University, where he earned a Bachelor’s Degree in Nutrition and Master’s Degree in Exercise Science. Robinett also holds a certification as a Certified Strength and Conditioning Specialist (CSCS) through the National Strength and Conditioning Association (NSCA).

While at Oklahoma State Robinett was Captain of the Cheerleading Team and competed at the National Collegiate Cheerleading Championships from 2001-06 with a 3rd place finish in his last two years. In 2006, Robinett became a Sports Performance Coach at Cris Carter’s FAST Program in Coral Springs, FL and worked with numerous athletes from virtually every college and professional sport. Than in 2007, Robinett became Director of Sports Performance at All-Star Sports in Paisley, FL. As the leader of All-Star Sports Robinett continued to develop strength & conditioning programs for high school, college, and professional athletes from around the country.

When Robinett moved back to Kansas in 2011, he began personal training at Genesis Health Club and was the Assistant Cheerleading coach at Hutchinson Community College.

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**men’s**
- Baseball
- Basketball
- Cheer
- Cross Country
- Football
- Golf
- Soccer
- Tennis
- Track and Field
- Wrestling

**women’s**
- Basketball
- Cheer
- Cross Country
- Dance
- Soccer
- Softball
- Tennis
- Track and Field
- Volleyball

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**team accomplishments**

**dance**

1st place, COA Nationals in 2010
Won KCAC championship & took 1st and tied for 2nd in solo dance division, and a member of the dance team also won best leaps in 2012.
Won a bid to Nationals in Daytona for spring 2013

**cheer**

Placed at COA Nationals in 2010
Won KCAC Conference Cheerleading Championship in 2011 and 2012.
Awards for best Tumbler and Best jumps at the KCAC tournament in 2012.
Won a bid to Nationals in Daytona for spring 2013

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