

ARKANSAS

SPIRIT SQUADS

Squad Overview

Co-ed cheer squad:	14 couples
Pom Squad:	24 dancers
Mascots:	Big Red (primary mascot): 2-4 Sue E. (female mascot) 2 Pork Chop (kid mascot) 2 BOSS HOG (9' inflatable) 2 Ribby (baseball Mascot-Big Red in baseball attire) 1-2

Squad Design: Our students are split into two equal squads: Arkansas & Razorbacks. These teams are comprised of all grade levels and technical ability. The squads alternate games, events, and appearances to promote equity at all times while providing our students time to rest and focus on academics as much as possible. Alternate members will be selected to serve as campus and community ambassadors. Selection of these members will be at the coaches' discretion based on tryout and interview performance.

Squad Participation: Cheer Arkansas/Razorbacks, Pom Arkansas/Razorbacks, and Mascots perform at home and Little Rock football games. One cheer squad and Big Red travel to all away football games. One squad at a time performs at men's and women's home basketball games. Four cheer couples and mascots perform at each home volleyball match. Seven cheer couples and mascots perform at each gymnastics meet. Twelve RBI Girls (Pom Squad) and Ribby perform at each home baseball game. We also make appearances at soccer, select softball, swimming and diving, track, and tennis. Regarding bowl games, SEC/NCAA tournament selections, seniority members are given the first opportunity for trips. Other events include Greek Theatre Pep Rallies and many campus and community outreach events. The Razorback Spirit Squads do not compete annually.

Scholarships: All squad members receive the following based on years of participation

1 st year on squad:	\$1000 fall and spring semester
2 nd year on squad:	\$1300 fall and spring semester
3 rd /4 th year on squad:	\$1600 fall and spring semester

Academics: Students must be enrolled in and pass at least 12 hours per semester with a minimum 2.0 GPA. Students below a 2.5 cumulative GPA will not travel.

Tryouts: The requirements and information are posted on Arkansasrazorbacks.com (MORE and SPIRIT SQUADS) and on our social media accounts at the beginning of the calendar year. A qualifying video is due early March. On campus tryouts are held the first few weekends in April (always before the Red/White game). Everyone must tryout each year. Mascot tryouts are held in conjunction with cheer tryouts and spring sporting events.

Uniforms and Apparel: Uniforms are provided, altered to fit, and returned at the end of each year to be reissued the next fall. We award Nike apparel/shoes (students keep these items if they complete the full year).

Travel: The majority of football and basketball travel is by chartered bus. However, students are required to return to campus over Thanksgiving, Christmas and Spring Break for basketball, gymnastics, and baseball games. For these events, they will provide their own transportation and receive per diem and mileage from their homes.