Marching Mizzou
University of Missouri

Featured Twirler Application Requirements

Please include the following in your application package to the University of Missouri. All materials must be emailed to mubands@missouri.edu and received no later than the end of day, **Friday, January 29, 2027.**

- **Resumé and current headshot** – Your resumé should outline your competitive twirling and performance experiences, current and former coaches, and awards.
- **YouTube link of a live performance** – Competitions, performances, and any football or basketball games if possible. Minimum of 5 minutes.
- **Letter of support** – Former and current twirling coaches and your band director (if applicable).

Finalists will be selected based upon their submitted application package and invited to a live audition process accordingly by **Friday, February 5, 2027**. Live auditions will be held on the University of Missouri campus and are scheduled for **Sunday, March 7, 2027.**

Requirements for the live audition include the following:

- **2:00-2:30 minute choreographed routine to music of your choice** exemplifying the highest level of your skills. Isolated skills may be asked for after your routine.
- **Perform a "Down the Field" routine** to our Fight Songs, "Every True Son and Fight Tiger." The music is linked below:
  - https://music.missouri.edu/ensemble/sounds-marching-mizzou
- **Short Interview** to assess your desire to fulfill this position.

The live audition will last approximately 45 minutes per each finalist.

Required Skills

- 4-spin vertical/3-spin horizontal
- Variety of catches and contact material (blinds, leg catches, back catches)
- Double-Illusion, Toss Cartwheel
- Toss Single Walkover (double walkover preferred)
- 2-Baton Skills (showers, hi/lo material, dual pattern, double toss)
- 3-Baton Skills (3 different modes including pendulums, showers, horizontal and vertical boxes/combinations)
- Rolls (fishtails, elbow pops, continuous back neck spins, long arms, Fujimi's)
- Strong Bodywork (leaps, kicks, laybacks, leg holds)
- Showmanship (display a great smile and presence on the field, strong sense of hard work, teamwork, and professionalism while on and off the field)

If selected as a Marching Mizzou Feature Twirler you will be required to compete on behalf of the University of Missouri throughout your enrollment, except for your senior year following graduation, when your competing on behalf of the University of Missouri at AYOP is optional.