



AT CITY PARK on Thursday afternoon, Taylor Corbett (above) held her arms above her head in a large Y as part of the cheer she was learning for the performance at the football

game. Morgan and Hannah Jones (below) shimmied down to a squatting position during a cheer.

Kids learn to cheer at clinic in the park

Dressed in shorts and t-shirts, around 40 little kids learned to cheer, jump and how to perform in City Park last week. The youngsters spent from 4 to 5 p.m. last Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday in a little cheer clinic, sponsored by the Decatur Community High School cheerleaders. Coach Amanda Anderson said the kids had a snack each day and then members of squad taught them how to do jumps and a cheer. After three days of practicing, the kids performed the cheer at the first

home football game Friday night. “They did an awesome job,” said Mrs. Anderson. The kids will do the cheer again during the home volleyball game Tuesday. The clinic cost each kid \$20 for the three days and got each one a t-shirt. Mrs. Anderson said the cheerleaders are using the money raised to purchase warm-up outfits for the football games and to wear while traveling. Each warm-up will cost around \$140 for the seven cheerleaders.



WITH ONE HAND UP, Isabel Grafel yelled the cheer she was learning last Thursday.



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