



2022 MIDWEST COLOR GUARD CIRCUIT YEARBOOK



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Letter from the President

Dear Friends and Participants of the Sport of the Arts:

The Midwest Color Guard Circuit was formed 62 years ago, in 1960, as the nation's 1st Color Guard Circuit. Our early rubrics for contests and technique became models for similar circuits across the nation and eventually to those used nationally with the creation of WGI in 1977. More importantly, the MWCGC's spirit of friendly competition which welcomed and applauded all who performed as champions became the norm for our activity.

The activity has grown in so many wonderful ways, but never before has it been challenged for survival as by the COVID Pandemic. 1st with the loss of the end of the 2020 season, and then with the need to remain virtual for 2021, we have all felt the strain and hoped for the time when we could safely renew our common love of Color Guard and our friendships in person. Thankfully, our flexibility and continued combined efforts have brought us together again!

So congratulations and kudos to all of our deserving students! You have continued to grow, learn and rejoice in each other in new ways in spite of our difficult times. And our circuit membership remains strong and ready for whatever comes next.

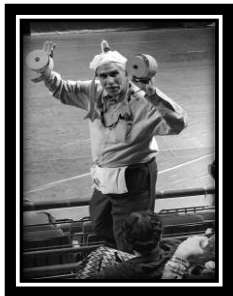
The MWCGC community of Instructors, Judges, Performers, Parents, Supporters and Fans remains a model of how to make life-long learning fun! It's a model for building self-esteem for all of us!

On behalf of the MWCGC Board of Directors, thanks in advance for recognizing ALL who perform at ALL levels as true Champions, and for the care and nurture you show each other.

Howie Mogil
President
Midwest Color Guard Circuit



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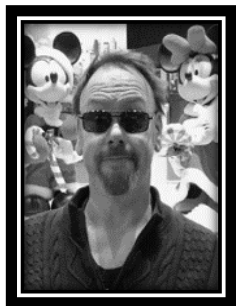


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MWCGC Class Descriptions

Winter guards compete in various classes depending on their experience. There are two (2) main divisions: Independent & Scholastic. Divisions are further grouped into classes based on experience and achievement, varying from local to a national level:

On a local level: Cadet Class, Regional A Class, Scholastic AA Class

On a national and international level: A Class, Open Class, and World Class

Scores for all guards are based on different criteria for each class. Judges analyze and credit the Design (or content) of each show, and the Performance (or excellence) of the guard members. Basically, scores reflect credit for **What** the guards do, and for **How Well** they do it.

Cadet Class, Regional A Class → Guards with the youngest and/or most inexperienced members compete on a local level in the Regional A Class. Age ranges within this class could be from elementary school into HS and college, dependent on experience and program goals. Regional A Class guards typically have limited rehearsal time, and their show is typically designed at an introductory or fundamental level using beginning skills. Cadet Class is designated for Regional A units whose members are all 8th grade or younger.

Cadet and Regional A performances are 3 – 4 minutes long and must include at least 3 minutes of equipment work.

AA Class → In 2006, due to the increasing number of Class A guards, the Midwest Circuit created the AA Class division. AA Class guards are evaluated on the same criteria as A Class guards, but they do not plan on competing on a national or international level. AA Class guard members are otherwise similar to A Class guard member in terms of rehearsal time, use of equipment, age, and skill development. AA Class guards are promoted to A Class competition based on score.

AA Class performances are a minimum of 4 minutes long and must include at least 3-½ minutes of equipment work.

A Class → A Class guards are the beginning, and largest, class of national competition. A Class guard members are younger and less developed, and typically rehearse between six and eight hours per week. They all utilize flags and sometimes other equipment such as rifles and sabres. Scholastic A guards are aged 14 – 17, while Independent A guards usually range from 11 – 18 years of age. They display a wide range of training, skills, and physical development.

A Class performances are a minimum of 4 minutes long and must include at least 3-½ minutes of equipment work.

Open Class → Open Class is the next level of national competition. Open Class guards are more experienced and have typically progressed beyond A Class through new challenges and additional training. They often rehearse between 8 and 12 hours per week, and usually utilize all three pieces of equipment. Open Class guards perform more skills as they learn, and their programs are more creative, unique and challenging. Scholastic Open guards are all in High School, and Independent Open guards usually ranges from 15 – 23 years of age.

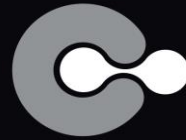
Open Class performances are between 4 and 6-1/2 minutes long, with at least 3-½ minutes of equipment work.

World Class → World Class guards are the most experienced and trained. They explore new challenges of dexterity and physical skills within original and unique programs. Many of these guards will participate in the WGI National Championships. Scholastic World guards are all in High School. Independent World Class guards are very experienced and fully trained and can include members who are over 23 years of age.

World Class performances can range up to 7-1/2 minutes long, with at least 3-½ minutes of equipment work.



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Round Lake Varsity Winter Guard 2022



Congratulations on an AMAZING season!!! We couldn't have asked for anything better!!!

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A special thank you to our 8 TALENTED seniors who pushed us through the pandemic and made us stronger
then EVER!

We LOVE you, Angel, Terra, Katie, Ava, Salma, Julia, Valery & Leo!!!

We will miss you dearly.



2022 MWC GC Member Units

UNIT

Allegiance Open
Allegiance RA
Barrington High School
Batavia High School
Blue2 Winterguard
Central Middle School
Chesterton High School
Coal City High School
Convergence Winter Guard
Crete-Monee High School
Davenport Central High School
District 117 Winter Guard
Downers Grove North High School
Downers Grove South High School
Evanston Township High School
Evergreen Park High School
Farmington High School
Fond du Lac Winter Guard
Fremd High School Varsity
Grant Community High School
Grayslake North High School
Hersey High School
Hoffman Estates High School JV
Hoffman Estates High School Varsity
Illinois Valley Central High School
Junior Cadets of South Shore
Kankakee Valley High School
La Porte High School
Lake Central High School Open
Lake Central High School SRA
Lake Park High School
Lake Zurich High School
Lincoln-Way Community High School A
Lockport Township High School
Manteno High School
Marengo Community High School
Marian Catholic High School
Minooka Community High School JV
Minooka Community High School Varsity
Montage
Morris Community High School Varsity
Mukwonago High School
Mundelein High School
Munster High School
Naperville Central High School
Naperville North High School
Palatine High School
Perpetuum Winter Guard

UNIT

Plainfield Winter Guard
Richwood's High School
Rolling Meadows High School
Romeoville High School
Round Lake High School JV
Round Lake High School Varsity
Schaumburg High School
SSO
St. Ambrose University Winter Guard
Stagg High School
Steperette Cadets Color Guard
Stevenson High School JV
Stevenson High School Varsity
TF South High School
University High School
Victor J Andrew High School
VIVA
Warren Township High School A
Warren Township High School SAA
West Bend High School
West Bend Scholastic Cadets
Wheaton North High School
Wheaton Warrenville South High School
Young Ladies of South Shore



WEST BEND MINI CADETS WINTER GUARD 2022

West Bend Mini Cadets Winter Guard 2022



**NO MATTER WHAT YOU DO,
YOU'RE A HERO TOO!**



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Don't Fence Me In

Y'all have been great
and thank you for a
rootin' tootin' good time!





MWCGC Class Winners

Scholastic Cadet Class

2021	No Championships	
2020	No Championships	
2019	West Bend Scholastic Cadets	West Bend, WI
2018	West Bend Scholastic Cadets	West Bend, WI
2017	West Bend Scholastic Cadets	West Bend, WI
2016	Lake Central Middle School West Bend Intermediate- Middle School Lincoln Way Central Cadets	St. John, IN West Bend, WI Frankfort, IL

Independent Cadet Class

2021	No Championships	
2020	No Championships	
2019	Steperette Cadets	Naperville, IL
2018	Steperette Cadets	Naperville, IL
2017	Allegiance Cadets	Dundee, IL
2016	Allegiance Cadets	Dundee, IL
2015	Allegiance Cadets	Dundee, IL
2014	Allegiance Cadets	Dundee, IL
2013	Allegiance Cadets	Dundee, IL
2012	Steperette Cadets	Naperville, IL
2011	Steperette Cadets	Naperville, IL
2010	Steperette Cadets	Naperville, IL
2009	South Shore Pee Wees	Chicago, IL
2008	Steperette Cadets	Naperville, IL
2007	Steperette Cadets	Naperville, IL
2006	Steperette Cadets	Naperville, IL
2005	Steperette Cadets	Naperville, IL
2004	Steperette Cadets	Naperville, IL
2001-2003	No Competitors	
2000	Brass Pak	Sheboygan, WI
1999	Steperette Cadets	Naperville, IL
1998	Steperette Cadets	Naperville, IL
1997	J.R. Brass	Sheboygan, WI
1996	J.R. Brass	Sheboygan, WI
1995	J.R. Brass	Sheboygan, WI
1993 – 1994	No Class This Year	
1992	Pirateers	Sheboygan, WI
1991	Sunshine Review	Green Bay, WI
1990	Accent Cadets	Sheboygan, WI
1989	South Shore Cadets	Chicago, IL
1988	Pirateers	Sheboygan, WI
1987	Accent Cadets	Sheboygan, WI
1986	Accent Cadets	Sheboygan, WI
1985	Thunderbolt Kadets	Cedarburg, WI
1984	Thunderbolt Kadets	Cedarburg, WI
1983	Knights Royal Guard	New Lenox, IL

Scholastic AA Class

2021	No Championships	
2020	No Championships	
2019	Brazale: Naperville North HS Brubaker: Lincoln-Way Community HS	Naperville, IL Frankfort, IL
2018	Hersey HS	Hersey, IL
2017	TF South HS	Lansing, IL
2016	Munster HS	Munster, IN
2015	Wheaton Warrenville South HS	Wheaton, IL

2014	Andrew HS	Tinley Park, IL
2013	Lincoln-Way Central	Frankfort, IL
2012	Lake Park HS	Roselle, IL
2011	Carl Sandburg	Orland Park, IL
2010	Marian Catholic HS AA	Chicago, IL
2009	Lincoln-Way HS	Frankfort, IL
2008	Marian Catholic HS AA	Chicago, IL
2007	Minooka HS	Minooka, IL

Scholastic Regional A Class

2021	No Championships	
2020	No Championships	
2019	Bakko: Stevenson HS JV Czapinski: Lemont HS Lindstrom: Downers Grove North HS	Lincolnshire, IL Lemont, IL Downers Grove, IL
2018	Bakko: Lincoln-Way Hs SRA Czapinski: Stevenson HS JV Lindstrom: Round Lake HS Varsity	Frankfort, IL Stevenson, IL Round Lake, IL
2017	Lindstrom: McHenry HS Bakko: Lincoln-Way HS Czapinski: Round Lake HS	McHenry, IL Frankfort, IL Round Lake, IL
2016	White: Morris Community HS Black: Round Lake HS Red: Mundelein HS Naperville Northern Lights	Morris, IL Round Lake, IL Mundelein, IL Naperville, IL
2015	Lake Park HS	Roselle, IL
2014	Andrew HS	Tinley Park, IL
2013	Limestone Community	Limestone, IL
2012	Lake Central	St. John, IN
2011	Richwoods HS	Peoria, IL
2010	Normal West	Normal, IL
2009	Morton HS	Morton, IL
2008	Lincoln-Way East HS	Frankfort, IL
2007	Minooka HS	Minooka, IL
2006	Carl Sandburg	Orland Park, IL
2005	Eisenhower HS	New Berlin, WI
2004	Providence Catholic HS	New Lenox, IL
2003	Hartford Indian Emerald Vanguard	Hartford, MI
2002	Rochelle HS "Illusion"	Rochelle, IL
2001	No Competitors	
2000	Pride of Hobart	Hobart, IN





MWCGC Class Winners

Scholastic A Class

2021	No Championships	
2020	No Championships	
2019	Zimny: Lincoln Way Community	Frankfort, IL
	Wiles: Lockport Township HS	Lockport, IL
2018	Marian Catholic HS	Chicago, IL
2017	Marian Catholic HS	Chicago, IL
2016	Lincoln-Way East HS	Frankfort, IL
2015	Lake Park HS	Roselle, IL
2014	Plainfield HS	Plainfield, IL
2013	Minooka HS	Minooka, IL
2012	Lincoln-Way North HS	Frankfort, IL
2011	La Porte HS	La Porte, IN
2010	Lincoln-Way	Frankfort, IL
2009	Chesterton HS	Chesterton, IN
2008	La Porte HS	La Porte, IN
2007	Lake Park HS	Roselle, IL
2006	La Porte HS	La Porte, IN
2005	Lake Central	St. John, IN
2004	La Porte HS	La Porte, IN
2003	La Porte HS	La Porte, IN
2002	Normal HS "Images"	Normal, IL
2001	La Porte HS	La Porte, IN
2000	Normal HS "Images"	Normal, IL
1999	La Porte HS	La Porte, IN
1998	Lake Park HS	Roselle, IL
1997	Andrew HS	Tinley Park, IL
1996	Andrew HS	Tinley Park, IL
1995	Andrew HS	Tinley Park, IL
1994	Reavis HS	Burbank, IL
1993	Tiger's Eye	Herscher, IL
1992	Lake Park FPE	Roselle, IL

Independent Regional A Class

2021	No Championships	
2020	No Championships	
2019	Convergence	Crystal Lake, IL
2018	Convergence	Crystal Lake, IL
2017	Convergence	Crystal Lake, IL
2016	Allegiance RA	Dundee, IL
2015	Fond du Lac Winter Guard	Fond du Lac, WI
2014	Allegiance	Dundee, IL
2013	Plainfield HS	Plainfield, IL
2012	Cudahy Independent	Cudahy, WI
2011	Plainfield	Plainfield, IL
2010	Novella D	Racine, WI
2009	Novella D	Racine, WI
2008	Greendale Independent	Greendale, WI
2007	Grimmer MS Varsity	Schererville, IN
2006	ND	Racine, WI
2005	No Competitors	
2004	Serendipity	McHenry, IL
2003	South Shore Cadets	Chicago, IL
2002	Brass Pak	Sheboygan, WI
2001	Steperette Cadets	Naperville, IL
2000	Steperette Cadets	Naperville, IL
1999	Spirit of Bridgman	Bridgman, MI
1998	Univ Wis-Whitewater	Whitewater, WI

Independent A Class

2021	No Championships	
2020	No Championships	
2019	South Shore Junior Cadets	Chicago, IL
2018	Allegiance A	Dundee, IL
2017	Allegiance	Dundee, IL
2016	Allegiance	Dundee, IL
2015	Plainfield Independent	Plainfield, IL
2014	Independence	Tinley Park, IL
2013	Plainfield	Plainfield, IL
2012	Purdue University	Purdue, IN
2011	South Shore Drill Team	Chicago, IL
2010	South Shore Drill Team	Chicago, IL
2009	South Shore Drill Team	Chicago, IL
2008	Armada	Oregon, WI
2007	Evolution	Sheboygan, WI
2006	Velocity	Green Bay, WI
2005	Velocity	Green Bay, WI
2004	Velocity	Green Bay, WI
2003	Independence	Tinley Park, IL
2002	Independence	Tinley Park, IL
2001	Independence	Tinley Park, IL
2000	Independence	Tinley Park, IL
1999	Tapestry	Green Bay, WI
1998	Tapestry	Green Bay, WI
1997	Montage	Milwaukee, WI
1996	Royal Guard	St. Paul, MN
1995	Royal Guard	St. Paul, MN
1994	J.R. Brass	Sheboygan, WI
1993	J.R. Brass	Sheboygan, WI
1992	Thunderbolt "A"	Cedarburg, WI
1991	Thunderbolt "A"	Cedarburg, WI
1990	Rosettes	St. Paul, MN
1989	South Shore	Chicago, IL
1988	Sundowners	Eau Claire, WI
1987	Accents	Sheboygan, WI
1986	Buccaneers	Sheboygan, WI
1985	Ritanettes	Chicago, IL
1984	Baytown Blues	Green Bay, WI
1983	Ritanettes	Chicago, IL
1982	Ritanettes	Chicago, IL
1981	Illiana Lancers	Chicago, IL
1980	Phantom Regt Cadets	Rockford, IL
1979	Vaqueros	Elmhurst, IL
1978	Flushing HS	Flushing, MI
1977	Entrada	Jasper, AL
1976	Regal Valiants	Villa Park, IL
1975	Profiles	Waukesha, WI
1974	Accent Cadets	Sheboygan, WI
1973	Trooper Cadets	Casper, WY
1972	Buccaneers	Sheboygan, WI
1971	Patriots	Fox Point, WI
1970	Trooper Cadets	Casper, WY



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MWCGC Class Winners

Senior Class

2021	No Championships	
2020	No Championships	
2019	No Competitors	
2018	No Competitors	
2017	Venice Effect	Chicago, IL
2016	Kilties Winter Guard	Racine, WI
2015	Kilties Winter Guard	Racine, WI
2014	Venice Effect	Chicago, IL
2013	Venice Effect	Chicago, IL
2012	Venice Effect	Chicago, IL
2011	Venice Effect	Chicago, IL
2010	Venice Effect	Chicago, IL
2009	Venice Effect	Chicago, IL
2008	Venice Effect	Chicago, IL
2007	No Competitors	
2006	Back 'Nsync	Traci's Backyard, IN
2005	Back 'Nsync	Traci's Backyard, IN
2004	Back 'Nsync	Traci's Backyard, IN
2003	Back 'Nsync	Traci's Backyard, IN
2002	Back 'Nsync	Traci's Backyard, IN
2001	Back 'Nsync	Traci's Backyard, IN
2000	No Competitors	
1999	South Shore Drill Team	Chicago, IL
1998	Saga	Sheboygan, WI
1997	No Competitors	
1996	Unlimit'd Time	Chicagoland, IL
1995	Unlimit'd Time	Chicagoland, IL
1994	Unlimit'd Time	Chicagoland, IL
1993	Unlimit'd Time	Chicagoland, IL
1992	Unlimit'd Time	Chicagoland, IL
1991	Unlimit'd Time	Chicagoland, IL

Scholastic Open Class

2021	No Championships	
2020	No Championships	
2019	Marian Catholic HS	Chicago, IL
2018	La Porte HS	La Porte, IN
2017	La Porte HS	La Porte, IN
2016	La Porte HS	La Porte, IN
2015	Marian Catholic HS	Chicago, IL
2014	Marian Catholic HS	Chicago, IL
2013	Marian Catholic HS	Chicago, IL
2012	Lake Central HS	St. John, IN
2011	Lincoln-Way Central HS	Frankfort, IL
2010	Lake Central HS	St. John, IN
2009	Marian Catholic HS	Chicago, IL
2008	Marian Catholic HS	Chicago, IL
2007	Marian Catholic HS	Chicago, IL
2006	Lake Central HS	St. John, IN
2005	Andrew HS	Tinley Park, IL
2004	Andrew HS	Tinley Park, IL
2003	Marian Catholic HS	Chicago, IL
2002	Marian Catholic HS	Chicago, IL

2001	Marian Catholic HS	Chicago, IL
2000	No Competitors	
1999	Normal West HS	Normal, IL
1998	Marian Catholic HS	Chicago, IL
1997	Marian Catholic HS	Chicago, IL
1996	Normal HS "Images"	Normal, IL
1995	Normal HS "Images"	Normal, IL
1994	Andrew HS	Tinley Park, IL
1993	Frankton HS	Frankton, IN

Independent Open Class

2021	No Championships	
2020	No Championships	
2019	Allegiance	Dundee, IL
2018	Allegiance	Dundee, IL
2017	Independence	Tinley Park, IL
2016	Independence	Tinley Park, IL
2015	Independence	Tinley Park, IL
2014	Minooka Independent	Minooka, IL
2013	South Shore Drill Team	Chicago, IL
2012	South Shore Drill Team	Chicago, IL
2011	No Competitors	
2010	Independence	Tinley Park, IL
2009	Independence	Tinley Park, IL
2008	Independence	Tinley Park, IL
2007	Independence	Tinley Park, IL
2006	Independence	Tinley Park, IL
2005	Independence	Tinley Park, IL
2004	Evolution	Sheboygan, WI
2003	Tapestry	Green Bay, WI
2002	South Shore Open	Chicago, IL
2001	Tapestry	Green Bay, WI
2000	Tapestry	Green Bay, WI
1999	Buccaneers	Sheboygan, WI
1998	Buccaneers	Sheboygan, WI
1997	Buccaneers	Sheboygan, WI
1996	Buccaneers	Sheboygan, WI
1995	Buccaneers	Sheboygan, WI
1994	Tapestry	Green Bay, WI
1993	Tapestry	Green Bay, WI



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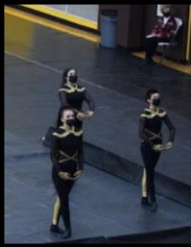
West Bend High School

2022
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VIRTUAL EVENTS

GROUP
FINALIST



WEST BEND COMBINED SCHOOLS
SCHOLASTIC A



Love is Contagious



Perpetuum
Winter Guard

2022

SENIOR



Erin O'Connor
WHEATON NORTH HS

SENIOR



Kate Ostrowski
GLENBROOK SOUTH HS

AGE OUT



Isaac Cho



MWCGC Class Winners

Scholastic World Class

2017 – 2021	No Competitors				
2016	Lake Central HS	St. John, IN	1991	Thunderbolts	Cedarburg, WI
2015	Lake Central HS	St. John, IN	1990	Thunderbolts	Cedarburg, WI
2014	Lake Central HS	St. John, IN	1989	State Street Review	Madison, WI
2013	Lake Central HS	St. John, IN	1988	State Street Review	Madison, WI
2012	No Competitors		1987	State Street Review	Madison, WI
2011	Marian Catholic HS	Chicago, IL	1986	State Street Review	Madison, WI
2010	Marian Catholic HS	Chicago, IL	1985	State Street Review	Madison, WI
2007 – 2009	No Competitors		1984	State Street Review	Madison, WI
2006	Marian Catholic HS	Chicago, IL	1983	Cavaliers	Rosemont, IL
2005	Marian Catholic HS	Chicago, IL	1982	Cavaliers	Rosemont, IL
2004	Marian Catholic HS	Chicago, IL	1981	Cavaliers	Park Ridge, IL
2003	Lincoln-Way Central HS	New Lenox, IL	1980	Phantom Regiment	Rockford, IL
2002	Lincoln-Way Central HS	New Lenox, IL	1979	Phantom Regiment	Rockford, IL
2001	Lincoln-Way HS	New Lenox, IL	1978	Phantom Regiment	Rockford, IL
2000	Lincoln-Way HS	New Lenox, IL	1977	Guardsmen	Schaumburg, IL
1999	Lincoln-Way HS	New Lenox, IL	1976	Colts	Dubuque, IA
1998	Lincoln-Way HS	New Lenox, IL	1975	Silhouettes	Waukesha, WI
1997	Lincoln-Way HS	New Lenox, IL	1974	Weber Guardsmen	Chicago, IL
1996	Lincoln-Way HS	New Lenox, IL	1973	Mariners	Greendale, WI
1995	Esoterique	Roselle, IL	1972	Mariners	Greendale, WI
1994	Lincoln-Way HS	New Lenox, IL	1971	Weber Guardsmen	Chicago, IL
1993	Lincoln-Way HS	New Lenox, IL	1970	Troopers	Casper, WY
1992	Lincoln-Way HS	New Lenox, IL	1969	Troopers	Casper, WY
1991	Lincoln-Way HS	New Lenox, IL	1968	Troopers	Casper, WY
1990	Lincoln-Way HS	New Lenox, IL	1967	OLHR Queensman	Kenosha, WI
1989	Lake Park HS FPE	Roselle, IL	1966	Racine Explorer Scouts	Racine, WI
1988	Tempest	Tinley Park, IL	1965	Buccaneers	Sheboygan, WI
1987	Tempest	Tinley Park, IL	1964	Cavaliers	Chicago, IL
1986	Tempest	Tinley Park, IL	1963	Mariners	South Milwaukee, WI
1985	Center Grove HS	Indianapolis, IN	1962	Mariners	South Milwaukee, WI
1984	Center Grove HS	Indianapolis, IN	1961	Mutineers	South Milwaukee, WI
1983	No Competitors		1960	Phantomettes	Rockford, IL
1982	Blue Horizon	Rolling Meadows, IL	1959	Tioga Vagabonds	Bensenville, IL
1981	Rolling Meadows HS	Rolling Meadows, IL			

Independent World Class

2017 – 2021	No Competitors	
2016	Gentlemen of South Shore	Chicago, IL
2015	South Shore Drill Team	Chicago, IL
2009 – 2014	No Competitors	
2008	Orion	Chicago, IL
2007 – 2004	No Competitors	
2003	South Shore Drill Team	Chicago, IL
2002	South Shore Drill Team	Chicago, IL
2001	South Shore Drill Team	Chicago, IL
2000	Back 'Nsync	Traci's Backyard, IN
1999 – 1998	No Competitors	
1997	Sundowners	Madison, WI
1996	Sundowners	Madison, WI
1995	Sundowners	Madison, WI
1994	Sundowners	Madison, WI
1993	State Street Review	Madison, WI
1992	State Street Review	Madison, WI





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Join us for the 2022-2023 season! Auditions in September!

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The Warren Township JV Winter Guard's program is entitled "The Audition." The show takes us through the process of auditioning for a Broadway musical with the ups and downs of messing up the choreography to nailing it and hoping to get the part. The soundtrack is "I Hope I Get It" from the musical A Chorus Line.

Members: Chrisela Abobon, Brianna Beltran, Audrina Biba, Katie Davis, Emma Finerty, Ryanna Gonzales, Hallie Jasnoch, Aiyana Mcaulay, Emma Megerle, Julianne Savorgino, Caleb Vazquez-Sanchez, Christian Wisowaty.

Director & Design: Toni Markowicz

Choreography: Toni Markowicz & Kiirsti Linna



MWCGC Scholarship Winners

Midwest Circuit Scholarship

2021	Avery Wendt	Naperville Central HS
	Abigail Golk	Naperville Central HS
2020	Mary Allen	Stagg HS
	Emiyah Twietmeyer	Victor J Andrew HS
2019	Willow DeKruif	Naperville Central HS
	Bailey Schneyr	Convergence
2018	Sophia De Lorio	Downers Grove North HS
	Emily Wilkinson	Naperville Central HS
2017	Katie Bernstein	Waukesha United
	Gabby DeKruif	Naperville Central HS
2016	Gina Pardun	Naperville Central HS
2015	Hannah Zaininger	Independence
2014	Kaitlyn Reis	Hersey HS
2013	Makenzie McGrath	Lake Central HS
2012	Shaquille Campbell	South Shore Drill Team
2011	Lyndee Stisher	LaPorte HS
2010	Kaitlyn Debnar	Naperville Central HS
2009	Fiona Slade	Naperville North HS
2008	Alicia Walter	Marian Catholic HS
2007	Chelsea Miners	Rochelle Illusion
2006	Kristie Kuruc	Waubonsie Valley HS
2005	Karen Hart	Lincoln-Way Central HS
2004	Katie Kuruc	Waubonsie Valley HS
2003	Kristin Durnbaugh	Independence
2002	Lexie Jean Haughey	Normal HS "Images"
2001	Kristin Durnbaugh	Independence
2000	Allison Graver	Independence
1999	Jennifer Leisen	Independence
1998	Sarah Wessler	Buccaneers
1997	Erin Reidy	Sundowners
1996	Kelly Anderson	Normal HS "Images"
1995	Stacy Lynn Durnbaugh	Andrew HS
1994	Heather Strub	Sundowners

2003	Elizabeth Santori	Marian Catholic HS
2002	Shauna Stisher	LaPorte HS
2001	Rachel Niemi	Lincoln-Way HS
2000	Lisa Corradin	Independence
1999	Lora Fields	Seneca HS
1998	Michelle Wanta	Tapestry
1997	Renee Scherrer	Montage
1996	Stephanie Shipley	Normal HS "Images"
1995	Emily Hachmeister	Sundowners
1994	Scott Jones	Sundowners
1993	Brenda Ehlert	Buccaneers

Dot Dahnke Memorial Scholarship

2021	Susan Byrom	Hersey HS
2019	Julia Jimenez	Stagg HS
2018	Mackenzie Kot	Marian Catholic HS
2017	Emily Griggs	Downers Grove North HS
2016	Courtney Brown	Plainfield Independent
2015	Robin Younker	Downers Grove North HS
2014	Sydney Mayer	Round Lake HS
2013	Ashley Wilkens	Armada HS
2012	Marissa Seamon	Minooka HS
2011	Alexis Hynek	Fond du Lac
2010	Kim Karlin	Marian Catholic HS
2009	Katrina Kemiell	La Porte HS
2008	Allison Schubert	Fond du Lac HS
2007	Michelle Deming	Independence A
2006	Allyce Bara	Naperville North HS
2005	Jessica Hartl	Marian Catholic HS
2004	Lauren Gogolew	Carl Sandberg HS
2003	Kathryn Errek	Lincoln-Way Central HS
2002	Stephanie Misciasci	Rochelle HS "Illusion"
2001	Kim Herschberger	Normal HS "Images"
2000	Emily Otto	Independence
1999	Nina Ajango	Tapestry
1998	Tracy Eltrevoog	Seneca HS
1997	Sarah Krauss	Glenbard West HS
1996	Jennifer Flory	Andrew HS
1995	Tina Schlosser	Reavis HS
1994	Stephanie Anderson	Valiants of Normandy
1993	Meredith Landorf	Steperettes
1992	Laurie Przybylinski	LaPorte HS
1991	Candy Gadowski	Buccaneers
1990	Sung He Lee	Lake Park FPE
1989	Kala Klinger	State Street Review
1988	Jennifer Nicklas	Lake Park FPE
1987	Laura Dahl	Anthon
1986	Mitchell Weikert	State Street Review

The Cavaliers Scholarship Award

2021	Annabella Walker	West Bend HS
2020	Lindsay Peters	Allegiance
2019	Morgan Herbst	Warren Township HS
2018	Celeste Makara	Hersey HS
2017	Ladelya Jones	Marian Catholic HS
2016	Abbey Loeffler	Hersey HS
2015	Andrea Kowalewicz	Lake Central HS
2014	Abi Tarnow	LaPorte HS
2013	Dana Keck	Lincoln-Way North HS
2012	Bridgette Waldier	Lincoln-Way East HS
2011	Jessica Smith	Lake Central HS
2010	Kerri Clark	Lake Central HS
2009	Talore Ruedt	Greendale HS
2008	Blair Trygstad	Naperville North HS
2007	Sara Reich	Hersey HS
2006	Christina Lear	Naperville North HS
2005	Emily Ninnemann	Stagg HS
2004	Michael Kaukl	Marshall HS "Edge"



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The Warren Township Varsity Winter Guard's program is entitled "Every Little Thing." The show takes us on a journey with our "moon keepers" that notice the moon losing light and carry the bucket of light through various scenes to re-fill the moon back up at the end. The musical soundtrack is "Every Little Thing" arranged by Jacob Collier.

Members: Megan Berkey, Caysie Castellanos, Gracie Cortez, Sam Esp, Faith Evans, Abeni Garner, Cassidy Linna, Hannah Linna, Samantha Lund, Stephanie Mago, Oliver Morales-Sedano, Nagia Ogiela, Olivia Pas, Erika Relayson, Kate Shugarts, Catrina Torres
Director: Jeanette Johnson

Design: Nick Parrott & Jeanette Johnson

Choreography: Jeanette Johnson, Nick Parrott, Toni Markowicz, & Kiirsti Linna



MWCGC Scholarship Winners

Buccaneers Scholarship

2006	Marne Kaeske	Independence
2004	Ashley Biederwolf	Evolution
2003	Patty Schuppner	Tapestry

Shea Preston- Al Nichols Memorial Scholarship

2021	Noreri Cisneros	West Bend HS
2020	Claire Powell	Munster HS
2019	Kelly Garcia	Lincoln-Way East HS
2018	Kathryn Rodgers	Naperville Central HS
2017	Angelica Moore	Independence
2016	Kayla Hestermann	Lake Central HS
2015	Taylor Matthews	Marian Catholic HS
2014	Kelly Mack	Carl Sandburg HS
2013	Kelly Fleckenstein	Lincoln-Way Central HS
2012	Olivia Steele	LaPorte HS
2011	Karie Schaberger	Marian Catholic HS
2010	Nicholas Benz	Plainfield HS
2009	Arielle Zemaitis	Minooka HS
2008	Heather Graham	Velocity
2007	Lina Annable	Chesterton HS
2006	Elizabeth Theobald	Independence
2005	David Arias	Lake Park HS
2004	Laura McMahon	Marian Catholic HS
2003	Allison Muscolino	Stagg HS
2002	Beth Janick	Marian Catholic HS
2001	Megan Valerius	Marian Catholic HS
2000	Jeremy Pieper	Tapestry
1999	Ryan Klassa	Tapestry
1998	John Spellan	Heritage

Larry Bakko Memorial Scholarship

2021	Rachel Bender	Downers Grove North HS
2020	Kaitlyn Goldstein	Alliance D117
2019	Savannah Plank	Independence
2018	Anna Nelson	La Porte HS
2017	Nadia Jahromi	Alliance District 117
2016	Madelyn Link	Allegiance
2015	Madison Ukran	Downers Grove North HS

Felton Harlan Memorial Scholarship

2021	Niyah Cannon	Crete-Monee HS
2020	Hope Fowler	Plainfield North HS
2019	Jacqueline Izzo	Plainfield North HS
2018	Delaney Talty	Sandwich HS
2017	Micah Striverson	Crete-Monee HS
2016	Caitlyn Clifton	Marian Catholic HS

McCormick's Scholarship

2021	Mia Gastile	Marion Catholic HS
	Sonia Gutkowski	Naperville Central HS
2020	Elizabeth Colip	Downers Grove South HS
	Katherine Taylor	Allegiance
2019	Rebecca Aguilar	Allegiance
	Faith Philip	Hoffman Estates HS Varsity
2018	Abby Gernenz	Coal City HS
	Mely Meraz	Romeoville HS
2017	Hannah Hestermann	Lake Central HS

Rookie of the Year

2021	Jasmine Washington	Marian Catholic HS
2020	Jossie Tracy	MONTAGE
2019	Charlotte McGrath	Hoffman Estates HS Varsity
2018	Tim Benedict	Farmington HS
2017	Emily Buster	Farmington HS
2016	Grace Zackavec	Morris Community HS
2015	Marcus LaBranche	Crete-Monee HS
2014	Youri Takisawa	Hersey HS
2013	Claire Walsh	Lincoln-Way Central HS
2012	Jaime Escatel	Argo HS
2011	Toree Schmidt	Heritage of McKendree
2010	Kimmy Arriaga	Rochelle Township HS
2009	Carly Johnson	Minooka HS
2008	Juliette Makara	Hersey HS
2007	Independence B	
2006	Sara Rhoades	Lake Central HS
2005	Stephanie Anderson	Lowell HS
2004	Connie Spray	Minooka HS
2003	Missy Krage	Lake Park HS
2002	Sara Storti	Normal HS "Images"
2001	Amber Roth	J.R. Brass
2000	Sheila Hawk	Normal HS "Images"
1999	Jason Kirkpatrick	Seneca HS
1998	Kristen Dumbaugh	Independence
1997	Nikki Smith	Sundowners
1996	Michelle Wanta	Tapestry
1995	Laura Scatena	Normal HS "Images"
1994	Daniel Riley	Frankton HS
1993	Alicia Erickson	Sunshine Review
1992	Kim Pier	Montage
1991	Holly Gialdini	Sunshine Review
1990	Missy Hannon	LaPorte HS

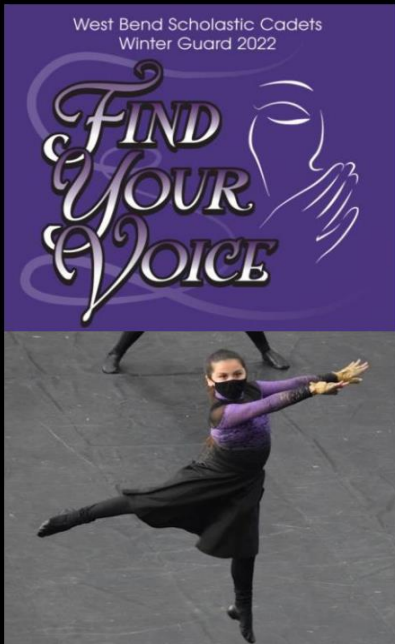


MWCGC Scholarship Winners

Commander's Medallion

2021	Julie Appleton	Coal City HS	1995	Emily Hachmeister	Sundowners
2020	Olivia Lee	Chesterton HS	1994	Amy Smith	Valiants of Normandy
2019	Sydney Ossman	Farmington HS	1993	Sarah Wessler	Buccaneers
2018	Emma Mrozinski	Hersey HS	1992	Stephanie Anderson	Valiants of Normandy
2017	Lindsay Guare	Allegiance	1991	Tammy Sutter	Normal HS "Images"
2016	Megan Shane	Illinois Central Valley HS	1990	Audrey Meier	Thunderbolts
2015	Becky Oziemkowski	Stagg HS	1989	Amy Lynn Warner	State Street Review
2014	Dana Hall	Fond du Lac	1988	Alex Ribiero	Cavaliers
2013	Rebecca Kazdoy	Crown Point HS	1987	Elizabeth Ann Brazelton	Accents
2012	Bobbie Jo Nelson	Independence	1986	Judy Karnia	3 rd Lancers
2011	Maranda Fishback	Lake Central HS	1985	Troy Morgan	Cavaliers
2010	Danielle Burris	Lincoln-Way HS	1984	Mark Martin	Valiants of Normandy
2009	Ashley Dement	D.C. Everest HS	1983	Marisa Aguilar	Phantom Regiment
2008	Kelly O'Shea	Waubonsie Valley HS	1982	Debbie Ann Karina	3 rd Lancers
2007	Katie McEntire	Waubonsie Valley HS		Debbie Wiles	Rebelaires
2006	Mony Bunni	Hersey HS		Cindy Zastrow	Buccaneers
2005	Taylor Allyn	Hersey HS	1981	Jeff Fiedler	Cavaliers
2004	Missy Pietruszynski	A.A Stagg HS	1980	Karen Vesley	Valiants
2003	Kristen Dumbaugh	Independence	1979	Rita Hodlewski	Village Greens
2002	Danielle Brown	Rochelle HS "Illusion"	1978	Wendy Westphal	Emerald Knights
2001	Tracy Botensten	Stagg HS	1977	Robin Jay Simmers	Norwin Knights
2000	Selina Meyer	Northernaires	1976	Pam Jenker	Norwin Knights
1999	Heather Holling	Buccaneers		Teri Kozel	Lancers
1998	Julia Prey	Barrington HS	1975	Peggy Berger	Lancers
1997	Tracy Eltrvoog	Seneca HS	1974	Karen Horngren	Mariners
1996	Deborah Zeitlin	Steperettes			

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MWCGC Hall of Fame

2019	Kevin Ray	1990	Mary Ann Wiles
2018	Barb Wessler	1989	Sal & LuAnn Salas
2012	Arthur Robertson	1988	Pauline Zimny
2011	Tim Guare	1987	Thomas Hachmeister
2010	Dee Ely	1986	Dr. Harry R. Patin
2009	Mickey Stisher	1984	Linda Kaminski Olson
2009	Vicki Mogil	1981	Marie Grana Czapinski
2007	Larry Bakko	1980	John Brazale
2006	Bruno Zuccala		Joe Courtney
2005	Chuck Cummings	1978	Chuck Hadle
2004	Kenard Corporation	1977	Lynn Lindstrom
2002	Mark Ackerson	1976	Gary Czapinski
2001	Richard "Rock" Kemp	1975	Chuck Beckner
1999	Howie Mogil	1974	George Lindstrom
1997	Pamela Nabors Snoeck	1973	Vic Mensching
1995	Steve Suslik	1972	Rick Maas
	Joey Hansen		Ernie Zimny
1994	Dianne Miller	1971	Loren & Dot Dahnke
1993	Gary Krueger	1970	Alex Haddad
1992	Steve Brubaker		Carl Olson
1991	Ralph & Virginia Balcerek		



Stagg High School
Winter Guard 2022

Abbey	Joanna
Alyssa	Kai
Amira	Maya
Anna	Natalie
Bella	Nicole
Caroline	Samantha
Evelyn	Sophia

Staff: Kate Alstadt
Michelle Lindeman Julia Jimenez



**Kayleah Link**

Prairie Ridge HS
 Allegiance Cadets 2011-18,
 Colt Cadets 2018 & 2019,
 Prairie Ridge HS CG 2018,
 Allegiance RA 2019,
 Allegiance Open 2020 to
 Present,
 Phantom Regiment 2021.

While I love guard & drum corps, I also enjoy being a member of my High School Make-Up Crew for plays & Musicals for the past four years. In 2022 I was honored to be the Head of Make-Up Crew.

In the future, I hope to pursue Fashion Design and Merchandising possibly at Illinois State University. In addition, I'm looking forward to continuing to march with Phantom Regiment this summer.

I'm a proud 3rd generation performer in the marching arts. I'm so grateful for all the love & support of my parents, grandparents, relatives, sponsors & friends. THANK YOU!

Sydney Shields

Lockport Township HS
 Allegiance Open 2021-22,
 4 years Lockport Township HS
 Marching Band Color Guard,
 3 years Lockport Township HS
 Winter Guard.

With a sprinkle of fate, & a parent's signature, I found my way on my first guard team at Lockport Township HS. I spun at Lockport for all four years for the fall seasons & three years for winter, each season my passion for this activity grew. Color guard has given me more than just tosses, tricks, & basics, it has allowed me to find confidence within myself & it's given me a home away from home.

A series of events led me to Allegiance this year, & I have loved every moment of it. This new environment has taught me the virtue of change, & to not be afraid of shuffling up my life. I'm sure a lot of people lost touch with their niches during the pandemic, & I am no exception to this. I was quick to forget how exhilarating performing is & I forgot about my home away from home. At Allegiance I have not only gained some great skills, but I have gained a great family, & I found my way back home.

I plan to continue my education at Augustana College in the fall to study biology. I look forward to the growth I will make in all aspects of my life in this next chapter. Whether I am on the floor spinning or watching in the stands, I know color guard will be a part of my life for many years to come.

Taylor Valenzuela

Crystal Lake Central HS
 Allegiance Open 2021-22 & 2019-20
 Allegiance A Guard 2018-19
 Allegiance Cadets 2017-18
 2 years Hononegah HS Marching Band
 2 years ILMEA Concert Band
 2022 Blue Stars D&B Corps Guard
 Member

My favorite thing about color guard is the friendships I've made over the years. Being able to perform with these people has been amazing!

A huge thank you to everyone that has helped me with sponsorships and fundraisers during my years at Allegiance! I can't wait to hit the floor at the arena in Dayton and bring Beyond the Gate to everyone.

Next up is graduation then it's on to my first year of drum corps in the Blue Stars Guard!

**Allegiance HS Seniors Class of 2022****Abrianna Varsolona**

Harry D. Jacobs HS

My experience has been 6 years with Allegiance Winter Guard, 4 years with Jacobs Marching Band and 1 year with Troopers Drum & Bugle Corps. My future plan is to study nursing beginning at Elgin Community College.

**Emma Munson**

Normal Community HS



I have been doing color guard since my sophomore year of high school in 2019. I am now a senior and on my third year of doing color guard. I have never felt like I belong somewhere more than I do when I spin. Experiencing new challenges and meeting new people through guard is truly incredible and I wouldn't be who I am today if not for this life changing activity.

Morgan Coken

Hampshire HS



Hi I'm Morgan.

I have been spinning with Allegiance for 7 seasons now. I've been through Cadet, RA, A, and now Open with this team. I cannot wait to see where else this team and all my friends go in the future.

A big thank you to all of the friends I have made because of this activity and to my parents for always supporting me and going above and beyond so I can pursue what I want to do. I could not do this without you.

Ashley Peters

Saint Charles East HS

**Winter Guard:**

Steperette Cadets 2016-2018
 Ignite Virtual Weapon Duet 2021
 Allegiance Open 2019-2022

Drum Corps:

Colt Cadets 2017, 2018
 Colts 2019-2021

Coach:

Steperette Cadets 2019-2022
 Perpetuum Winter Guard 2019-2022



MWCGC I&E Participants – Solo & Small Ensemble

Solo B Participants

Abby Colucci
Anna Bruno – PCHS
Blessing Ologun
Cailee McGinnis
Cheyanna Griswold
Ebony Caldwell
Evergreen Park Solo #1
Evergreen Park Solo #2
Lily Radack
Niyah Cannon
Rebecca Jezowski
Rolling Meadows HS Solo #1 – Dustin McMichael
Valy Calderon
Wheaton North High School Winter Guard Solo B

Solo I Participants

Abigail Loewenstein
Alexandra Rueda
Alyssa Miller
Amanda Ragnini
Angel Cardoso
Ava Klingler
Bebe Grimaldo – NNHS
Emma Beddow
Emma Stevenson – NNHS
Evergreen Park Solo #3
Evergreen Park Solo #4
HEHS Skyhawk Emma
HEHS Skyhawk Hannah
HEHS Skyhawk Ilsa
HEHS Skyhawk Terry
Morris HS Junior Solo
Kaity Young – NNHS
Katelynn Gilley
Lauren Wincup – NNHS
Mallory Fonte
Rachel Bender
Sofia Pilleux – NNHS
Sophie Deck
Susie Byrom
Valery Campos
Wheaton North High School Winter Guard Solo I

Solo A Participants

Ashley Peters
Avery Ahrendt (Stagg High School)
Katherine Taylor
Maggie Guiffre – NNHS
Morris HS Senior Solo - KF

Small Ensemble B

Alyssa Birzetis & Lexi Heath
Barrington High School
Blue2 2020 – Small Group 1 “IDK Maybe”
Blue2 2020 – Small Group 2 “#88”
Blue2 2020 – Small Group 3 “Stranger”
Hersey High School Ensemble 2
Hersey High School Ensemble 3
Kankakee Valley High School – Small Ensemble #1
Kankakee Valley High School – Small Ensemble #2
Kankakee Valley High School – Small Ensemble #3
Kankakee Valley High School – Small Ensemble #4
Myzterious
Naperville North Small Group 8
Palatine High School
Providence Catholic HS
Rolling Meadows HS Duet #1
Rolling Meadows HS Trio #1 – Bork, McMichael, McCabe
Schaumburg High School Winter Guard
Spartacus’ Vengeance – Grant HS

Small Ensemble I

HEHS Skyhawks Barron-Martinez Sisters
HEHS Skyhawks Flag Ensemble
HEHS Skyhawks Gamboa Sisters
HEHS Skyhawks Sabre/Dance Ensemble
Hersey High School Ensemble 1
Hersey High School Full Ensemble
Lake Park High School 1
Lake Park High School 2
Mahomet-Seymour Small Ensemble
Naperville North Small Group 1
Naperville North Small Group 2
Naperville North Small Group 3
Naperville North Small Group 4
Naperville North Small Group 5
Naperville North Small Group 6
Naperville North Small Group 7
Rifle Trio - KF, AM, IL
Rolling Meadows HS Duet #2
Stagg High School Flagline
Stagg High School Rifleline
Stagg High School Sabreline
The Wheaton North Colorguard
Warren JV Dance Group
Warren JV Flag Group
Warren JV Rifle Group
Warren Varsity Rifle Group

Small Ensemble A

Becca and Carl
Becca and Katherine
Ignite- Ashely Peters-Tony Marquardt
Stagg High School Senior Sabre Duet



MWCGC I&E Participants – Large Ensemble

Large Ensemble B Participants

Evergreen Park Community High School
Hoffman Estates High School JV Skyhawks 2021
Kankakee Valley High School - Kolor Guard
Lake Central RA
Minooka High School JV
Plainfield Winter Guard
Rolling Meadows HS Large Ensemble
ROWVA HS Winterguard
Steperette Cadets 2021
Steperette "X" Guard 2021
West Bend High School
West Bend Mini Cadets
West Bend Scholastic Junior Cadets
West Bend Scholastic Varsity Cadets

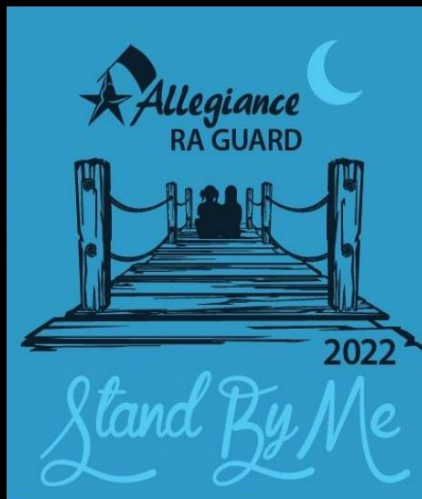
Large Ensemble I Participants

Batavia High School
Chesterton High School Winter Guard
Fremd Varsity Guard
Hoffman Estates High School Varsity Skyhawks 2021
La Porte High School Winter Guard
Mahomet-Seymour Large Ensemble
Morris Ensemble Flag Performance
Morris Varsity Dance Group
Naperville North High School Large Ensemble
Normal High School Winter Guard
Perpetuum
Stagg High School Winter Guard 2021

Large Ensemble A Participants

Lake Central World
Marian Catholic High School Winter Guard
Minooka High School Varsity
Naperville Central High School

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2022 MWCGC Contest Recap: January 30th

Steperette Cadets January 30th, 2022

Independent Cadet

Steperette Cadets 41.88

Scholastic Regional A – Round 1

Rolling Meadows HS 47.82
Illinois Valley Central HS 46.46
Wheaton North HS 46.27
Minooka Community HS JV 44.21
Grayslake North HS 42.03
Coal City HS 40.21
Evergreen Park HS 37.85
Kankakee Valley HS 36.24

Scholastic Regional A – Round 2

Downers Grove North HS 56.49
Alliance District 117 54.02
Stevenson HS JV 53.70
University HS 50.60
Grant Community HS 43.56
Barrington HS 41.04
Mundelein HS 40.89

Independent Regional A

Allegiance RA 47.95
Blue2 Winterguard 40.68

Scholastic AA

Stagg HS 50.06
Downers Grove South HS 49.02
Naperville North HS 48.69
Davenport Central HS 43.19
Fremd HS Varsity 41.82

Scholastic A

Lincoln-Way Community HS – A 61.05
Stevenson HS Varsity 55.95
Minooka Community HS Varsity 53.50
Plainfield Winter Guard 48.90

Independent A

Montage 52.13
VIVA 51.89
Perpetuum Winter Guard 47.80

Scholastic Open

Naperville Central HS 59.10

Independent Open

Allegiance Open 69.70
SSO 60.60

DGN WINTER GUARD 2022

Angelina Antonio
~ Abby Colucci
~** Kayla Derylo
Marnie Enright
Cara Fleming
~ Christina Godar
~ Gabriel Gruszka
Eva Henriksen
~ Sarah Jeske
** Clara Lerch
~ Akshi Mistry
Stefania Mossman
Phoenix Nystrom
~ Lauren Pierret
~ Lake Ragnini
Josh Ronquillo
Lauren Rotta
~ Cate Stocki
Addison Sutton
~ Mia Tiangco
Olivia Zambreno

~ Seniors
** Captains

"Can't Burst My Bubble"



What an incredible first year back to in-person competitions! Team, we could not be more thrilled with all the places you've gone this season. We are so excited and proud of your hard-earned promotion into the SAA class, and are beyond impressed with how you rose to the new challenge and continued to thrive all season long. We are so proud of the growth that each and every one of you has shown since the beginning of the year! Seniors, it's astonishing to think that you make up half of our team - eek! But we wish you all the best of luck as you go on to bigger and better things after graduation.

~ Coach Crystal &
Coach Kate



2022 MWCGC Contest Recap: February 5th & 6th

Allegiance **February 5th, 2022**

Scholastic Cadet

West Bend Scholastic Cadets 49.53

Independent Cadet

Steperette Cadets 45.51

Scholastic Regional A – Round 1

West Bend HS 66.23

Illinois Valley Central HS 57.39

Lake Zurich HS 56.46

Schaumburg HS 54.48

Wheaton North HS 52.87

Grayslake North HS 49.93

Palatine HS 46.54

Marengo Community HS 0.00

Scholastic Regional A – Round 2

Alliance District 117 64.74

Stevenson HS JV 61.03

Lake Central HS SRA 60.08

Rolling Meadows HS 56.29

Round Lake HS JV 54.74

Grant Community HS 52.12

Barrington HS 51.90

Mundelein HS 51.73

Independent Regional A

Young Ladies of South Shore 59.01

Junior Cadets of South Shore 58.42

Convergence Winter Guard 57.89

Fond du Lac 55.08

Allegiance RA 52.94

Scholastic AA

Round Lake HS Varsity 60.38

Batavia HS 60.25

Downers Grove South HS 56.66

Davenport Central HS 54.57

Hersey HS 54.11

Fremd HS Varsity 52.29

Warren Township HS SAA 48.38

Wheaton Warrenville South HS 48.36

Lake Park HS 42.19

Scholastic A

Warren Township HS A 62.84

Stevenson HS Varsity 60.33

Munster HS 55.43

Chesterton HS 48.49

Independent A

Montage 57.19

St. Ambrose University Winter Guard 49.74

Scholastic Open

Naperville Central HS 68.30

Lake Central HS Open 53.80

Independent Open

Allegiance Open 72.90

Naperville Central **February 6th, 2022**

Scholastic Cadet

Central Middle School 47.04

Independent Cadet

Steperette Cadets 49.24

Scholastic Regional A – Round 1

Downers Grove North HS 66.97

Lake Central HS SRA 61.11

Manteno HS 58.91

Mundelein HS 56.56

Grant Community HS 55.25

Coal City HS 54.92

Evanston Township HS 51.96

Hoffman Estates HS JV 49.73

Farmington HS 46.51

Scholastic AA

Stagg HS 61.53

Batavia HS 59.85

Naperville North HS 56.69

Scholastic A

Lincoln Way Community HS – A 69.05

Lockport Township HS 62.30

Victor J Andrew HS 57.09

Plainfield Winter Guard 56.03

Hoffman Estates HS Varsity 52.53

Morris Community HS Varsity 0.00

Independent A

Perpetuum Winter Guard 57.09

St. Ambrose University Winter Guard 52.14

Scholastic Open

Naperville Central HS 68.00

Lake Central HS Open 56.60

Marian Catholic HS 54.70



2022 MWCGC Contest Recap: February 20th

Schaumburg HS February 20th, 2022

Scholastic Cadet

West Bend Scholastic Cadets 56.48

Scholastic Regional A – Round 1

Rolling Meadows HS 63.71
Illinois Valley Central HS 61.53
University HS 61.25
Grant Community HS 56.54
Hoffman Estates HS JV 53.24
Farmington HS 49.84

Scholastic Regional A – Round 2

Lake Zurich HS 63.61
Round Lake HS JV 62.49
Manteno HS 60.34
Wheaton North HS 57.90
Barrington HS 56.87
Coal City HS 53.94
Marengo Community HS 0.00

Scholastic Regional A – Round 3

Stevenson HS JV 68.25
Schaumburg HS 60.35
Evanston Township HS 53.94
Palatine HS 53.57
Kankakee Valley HS 50.38
TF South HS 46.01

Independent Regional A

Young Ladies of South Shore 64.64
Convergence 63.98
Fond du Lac 56.69
Allegiance RA 57.35
Blue2 Winterguard 53.48

Scholastic AA – Round 1

Batavia HS 70.10
Round Lake HS Varsity 69.45
Hersey HS 61.75
Davenport Central HS 61.37
District 117 Winter Guard 60.77
Wheaton Warrenville South HS 52.63

Scholastic AA – Round 2

West Bend HS 61.73
Downers Grove North HS 60.56
Fremd HS Varsity 58.56
Warren Township HS SAA 55.44
Lake Park HS 52.88

Scholastic A

Warren Township HS A 69.72
Lockport Township HS 66.30
Victor J Andrew HS 64.62
Hoffman Estates HS Varsity 57.81

Independent A

Montage 64.83
VIVA 63.87

Independent Open

Allegiance Open 77.70
SSO 71.20





2022 MWCGC Contest Recap: March 5th & 6th

Lake Park HS March 5th, 2022

Scholastic Regional A – Round 1

Rolling Meadows HS	69.84
Minooka Community HS JV	69.73
Lake Zurich HS	69.09
Evanston Township HS	65.29
Palatine HS	63.71
Coal City HS	61.15
TF South HS	56.72
Marengo Community HS	0.00

Scholastic Regional A – Round 2

University HS	70.28
Illinois Valley Central HS	69.91
Schaumburg HS	67.87
Wheaton North HS	65.61
Grant Community HS	63.26
Barrington HS	61.88
Kankakee Valley HS	58.63
Hoffman Estates HS JV	57.62

Independent Regional A

Young Ladies of South Shore	73.23
Junior Cadets of South Shore	70.45
Allegiance RA	64.19

Scholastic AA

Naperville North HS	74.75
Downers Grove North HS	74.71
Fremd HS Varsity	71.58
District 117 Winter Guard	70.47
Davenport Central HS	70.28
Downers Grove South HS	70.19
Lake Park HS	60.39
Wheaton Warrenville South HS	59.02

Scholastic A

Batavia HS	76.06
Minooka Community HS Varsity	73.07
Munster HS	70.32
Hoffman Estates HS Varsity	62.56
Chesterton HS	62.02

Independent A

Montage	72.51
VIVA	70.82
Perpetuum Winter Guard	66.99

Independent Open

Allegiance Open	84.70
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Scholastic Cadet

Central Middle School	62.35
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Independent Cadet

Steperette Cadets	70.69
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Plainfield HS – Percussion & Winds March 6th, 2022

Percussion

Minooka Indoor Percussion	75.225
202 Indoor Percussion	74.325
Lincoln-Way Indoor Drumline	71.350

Winds

Chromium Winds	79.900
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2022 MWCGC Contest Recap: March 12th & 13th

Hersey HS March 12th, 2022

Scholastic Cadet

West Bend Scholastic Cadets 64.16

Scholastic Regional A – Round 1

Lake Zurich HS 70.68

Mundelein HS 66.32

Wheaton North HS 64.40

Barrington HS 61.30

Evergreen Park HS 60.36

Scholastic Regional A – Round 2

Schaumburg HS 70.52

Round Lake HS JV 68.87

Grayslake North HS 67.78

Grant Community HS 66.19

Manteno HS 63.79

Independent Regional A

Convergence 68.09

Fond du Lac 66.86

Blue2 Winterguard 50.49

Scholastic AA

Fremd HS Varsity 73.36

Hersey HS 71.89

Stevenson HS JV 70.34

West Bend HS 69.34

Warren Township HS SAA 67.05

Scholastic A

Stevenson HS Varsity 83.18

Warren Township HS A 77.72

Round Lake HS Varsity 77.40

Chesterton HS 67.50

Morris Community HS Varsity 64.35

TF South HS March 13th, 2022

Scholastic Regional A – Round 1

Lake Central HS SRA 75.99

Evanston Township HS 74.84

Rolling Meadows HS 70.92

Grant Community HS 67.96

Evergreen Park HS 61.02

Kankakee Valley HS 60.63

TF South HS 58.32

Scholastic AA

Downers Grove South HS 70.62

Scholastic A

Lincoln-Way Community HS A 86.66

Lockport Township HS 81.11

Victor J Andrew HS 74.12

Munster HS 69.43

Morris Community HS Varsity 64.39

Scholastic Open

Lake Central HS Open 77.70

Marian Catholic HS 72.90

Independent Open

SSO 81.40





2022 MWCGC Contest Recap: March 19th

Minooka Community HS

March 19th, 2022

Scholastic Cadet

West Bend Scholastic Cadets 72.87

Independent Cadet

Steperette Cadets 74.42

Scholastic Regional A

Illinois Valley Central HS 76.56

University HS 76.51

Minooka Community HS JV 72.11

Manteno HS 68.39

Grant Community HS 68.25

Palatine HS 68.02

Evergreen Park HS 64.44

Hoffman Estates HS JV 62.72

Farmington HS 56.94

Independent Regional A

Young Ladies of South Shore 77.22

Fond du Lac 72.28

Allegiance RA 68.29

Scholastic AA

Stagg HS 78.35

Naperville North HS 76.38

District 117 Winter Guard 74.51

Stevenson HS JV 73.95

Downers Grove South HS 73.79

Hersey HS 73.00

West Bend HS 72.72

Lake Park HS 64.20

Wheaton Warrenville South HS 62.22

Scholastic A – Round 1

Lockport Township HS 83.69

Plainfield Winter Guard 75.64

Munster HS 73.12

Chesterton HS 69.68

Morris Community HS Varsity 67.62

Scholastic A – Round 2

Stevenson HS Varsity 85.82

Batavia HS 81.88

Round Lake HS Varsity 78.78

Minooka Community HS Varsity 76.69

Hoffman Estates HS Varsity 66.00

Independent A

VIVA 75.12

Perpetuum Winter Guard 71.32

Montage 0.00





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Kayla Abraham

Lake Park High School
4 Years

I am section Leader for Color Guard and Winter Guard; Member of National Honors Society; Member of Spanish Honors Society; Senior Representative of South Asian Student Alliance (SASA)

My favorite memory from guard is creating a second family who shares the passion of spinning and performing with me!



Sydney Alesky

Morris Community High School
4 Years

I am in winter guard and marching/concert band.

My favorite memory was the hotel stays.



Kaylyn Beazley

Davenport Central High School
4 Years

I am in marching band for 4 years, FCA (Fellowship of Christian Athletes).

My favorite memory was when I caught every toss, I thought I could never catch, Made forever friends, and found my true sport.



Katie Blake

Lake Park High School
4 Years

I received the Most Outstanding award in the 2020 color guard season.

All competitions and just performing in general.



Kayla Braun

Davenport Central High School
3 Years

I am in concert band.

My first year, when we went to Indianapolis



Terra Byrd

Round Lake High School Varsity
4 Years

I am in the TRI-M Music Honor Society, volunteer at my brother's school ALCA (Alexander Leigh Center for Autism), and am top 5 at AYOP for Novice X-Strut 2017 (National Twirling Competition at Norte Dame).

Watching the other performances. There's something so surreal about watching all the other performers and their talent; and it just gives me chills. Being able to see all the talent from all different places is definitely worth a lifetime! Everyone in the guard community gives it their all and they are the most amazing people I've ever met - personality and talent wise!



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Gabriela Calderon

Round Lake High School Varsity
2 Years

I am in guard, National Honor Society, Tri-M, Jazz band, and Marching Band.

After the performing the team stayed together and we got to know each other and joke around.



Valery Campos

Round Lake High School Varsity
3 Years

An accomplishment during guard was making it into the Varsity Winter Guard team my sophomore year until my senior year. Also becoming 2022 Varsity Captain for the team my senior year.

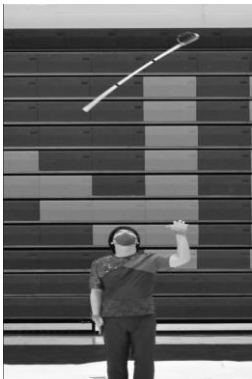
One of my favorite memories from Guard is always finding out the theme of our show and the costuming. This is the most exciting part of the season because it gives people ideas of what the season might look like this year.

Isaac Cho

Perpetuum Winter Guard
6 Years

I am earning my Bachelors Degree in Social Work at 2022 Summer.

Every moment I spin and think about performing.



Angel Cardoso

Round Lake High School Varsity
4 Years

I have been in guard for 7 seasons including: 3 seasons of fall color guard and 4 seasons of winter guard. I am also in student council, band and future medical panthers club at school.

The current season we as a team have been working hard on our current show. We did things like going early to practice and we bonded over what this season ahead would look like and what our goals are the season. We would help each other accomplish new tricks and overall bonded as teammates. Then came our first competition. We were all nervous and excited to perform. Many of us got back the adrenaline we feel right before performing. At the end for awards, we were all anxious to hear what place we got, since it was the first time performing our show, we weren't expecting much at all. But once we heard the 9th-2nd place placements and hadn't heard our school called we were bursting with excitement. Once we were announced 1st place the sound of joy and support from each other really made that my favorite guard memory! We felt all of our hard work and determination paid off...and that is only the beginning.



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Abigail Colucci

Downers Grove North High School
2 Years
I am in National Arts Honors Society and Honor Role.

Getting to spend so much time with the people I love and get to know them better. The overall positive community feeling is something I will remember for the rest of my life.



Blanca Cupal

Fremd High School
2.5 Years
I got rifle line the very first season of being in guard. I was shocked.

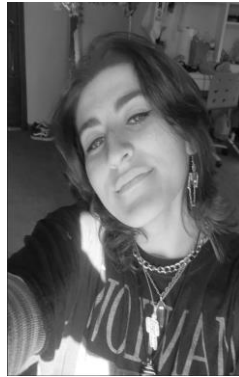
The panicked running around trying not to hit each other. It's so funny to me.



Tori Crenshaw

Lake Central High School
6 Years
I have been on the varsity team at Lake Central High School for 4 years. I have completed 5 color and 7 winter guard season. In my first color guard season, we went to State and placed 6th. In school, I have achieved Summa Cum Laude with my 4.6 GPA. I am in National Honor Society, and I'm an academic letter winner.

My favorite memory from guard was spending the night with my teammates at Flint, Michigan for a WGI Power Regional. We won first in prelims and finals.



Annabelle deBolt

Naperville North High School
4 Years
I am in winter guard, Marching band, Leader of the flute choir at Naperville North.

Being "kidnapped" and having breakfast extremely early in the morning before practice my freshman year.



Meghan Cullum

Lincoln-Way Community HS
Winter Guard
5 Years
I am on High Honor Roll, Honor Roll, Color Guard, Junior Varsity, Varsity, National Honor Society, Science National Honor Society, Tournament of Rose Parade 2019, Macys Thanksgiving Day Parade 2021.

Honestly, my whole New York trip. We all had a lot of laughs, and I grew so much closer to my best friends.



Kayla Derylo

Downers Grove North High School
4 Years

My favorite memory was being able to perform on the streets of London during freshman year. It was exhilarating to spin in front of so many people alongside my closest friends.



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Sophia Demlow

West Bend Winter Guard
7 Years

I was on the West Bend scholastic Cadet team for 3 years before joining the West Bend SRA team my freshman year of high school. A huge thank you to all my coaches for volunteering your time to make that possible! I also hope to be able to help the West Bend teams next year!

I can't say I have a favorite. All my memories from practices and competitions have all been great. One recent memory that is a really good one happened this year. The first competition the other senior and I went out on the floor for awards, and we scored first and got promoted from SRA to SAA! The rest of the high school team and the cadet team were cheering so loud. I will never forget it; it was so exciting and nerve wracking!



Sophie DiPaolo

Stevenson High School Varsity
5 Years

My favorite Guard memory is from sophomore year during the WGI Indianapolis regional. We were at the hotel waiting to see if we had made finals or not. While i was going to the bathroom i heard screaming and yelling and pounding on the bathroom door. My friend Stella was yelling that we had just made finals. We still talk about it to this day, and it always makes us laugh!



Katherine Dobberstein

Fremd High School
1/2 Year

I have been in marching band for 3 years and was section leader, started Guard during the winter season for her last year. Also, in National Honors Society.

My favorite memory from Guard was our last practice before Thanksgiving break where we played a game called "Sheep on a Hill".



Samantha Esp

Warren Township High School
Varsity
6 Years

I am in Guard, Band, Marching Band, National Honors Society.

My favorite memory has to be our last marching performance from 2021 at U of I. The feeling I had marching on that field for one last time is indescribable, and I will cherish it forever.



Michelle Esparza

Evergreen Park High School
3 Years

I am in guard, choir, swim, theater, leadership.

My favorite memory has been competitions in general.



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Faith Evans

Warren Township High School
4 Years



Ally Frank

Stevenson High School JV
4 Years

I am Captain of JV guard, founder of a 501(c)(3) organization, and a 2x Published Author.

The first time we placed first in SAA after being bumped from SRA, we did not think we'd ever place top 3 since we'd been consistently getting last, but then at the last competition of 2020 (which we didn't know was the last) we got first place and it was surreal!



Meghan Felgenhauer

Plainfield Winter Guard
4 Years

I was a guard captain this past fall, and I am part of National Honor Society, Spanish National Honor Society, Key Club, and Bio Explorations Club.

Having a lot of fun with my teammates at band camp and having our octopi family.



Ryann Furlow

Steperette Cadets
1 Year

I am in performance band, Jazz Band, Fun With Flags.

Going to Indiana and seeing all of the amazing shows. And the 2/26 show when everyone was dancing to the music, it was really fun.



Julia Flores-Villalobos

Round Lake High School
3 Years

I am taking college classes during high school.

My favorite memory from guard are the exhausting practices where we learn that hard work truly pays off.



Anna Gagnon

Morris Community High School
6 Years

I am in guard & Delta Phi.

Becoming family with the rest of the team.



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Natalie Galindo

Evergreen Park High School
4 Years

I am in student government officer, NHS secretary, Color guard captain (for 2 years), Mustang Performer Pride award, top 10% of class.

My favorite memory of guard is just getting to meet new people. I've made so many friends in this community, and some of my best friends are here. I've shared so many laughs, whether that be on bus rides, competitions, or at out of school bonding. I love my guard, and I couldn't wish for a better 4-year experience with the many people I've met.



Sophia Gallow

West Bend Scholastic Cadets
3 Years

I have been an active member of the WB Scholastic Cadets Winter Guard and Color Guard for three years. In addition, I've participated in Girl Scouts.

My journey in guard all started because my friend was going to join in sixth grade. I decided to join, and I originally thought of guard as a way to be more active and hang out with friends. In the end, it became way more than that. I had made new friends, became more active, and enhanced my knowledge of dance. I gained knowledge on how to spin flags and learned some skills on rifle and saber. Not only that, but I learned how to be a leader, a partner, and a better friend. Now I have a family, people who I can go to for support and advice. That's what I love about guard; it's a comfortable place. While yes, it is hard to wake up at 3 in the morning to go to a competition, it was never a bad day when we got to the competition. We get to perform and then get to see others perform, and we all bond together. I would like to thank all the coaches for that as well as for all the opportunities and all the amazing memories. I would like to thank all the amazing girls who have helped me along this journey, and who have helped me become the person I am today!



Salma Garcia

Round Lake High School Varsity
3 Years

I am Color Guard, Enter in the Army, and School .

My favorite guard memory is when we won 1st place at the Allegiance Competition, because we put so much time and effort into this that and knowing that this is our outcome makes me so proud of my team.



Ellie Gentry

Lincoln-Way Winter Guard
4 Years

I am Flag Captain, 2019
Section Leader, 2020-2022
National Honor Society and
Science Honors Society.

My favorite memory from guard is winning state my sophomore year, it felt like a dream, and I've never felt more accomplished in my life.



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Katelynn Gilley

Round Lake High School Varsity
4 Years

Fall and winter guard for 4 years, Guard captain, National honors society executive board member, Honor roll for 4 years, Soccer for 2 years, Student of the month, and the head of a student lead research study on the psychological effects of E-learning versus in person learning.

When my winter guard went to finals at Flint, Michigan WGI. We were all so nervous that we weren't going to make it. Our coach came on the bus and told us we didn't make it, we were crushed. After that she told us we did make it and we were so happy and proud of ourselves.



Brianna Gimisi

West Bend Scholastic Cadets
2 Years

Last year my team obtained the master ranking, in which only 11 out of 350 teams across the world got. This year I became captain of my team as well. Finally, last year I also achieved rookie of the year in my unit in my 7th grade year.

My favorite memory from guard is during one of last season's recording when our team got an almost perfect run-through and after recording was over, we were all really excited.



Beatriz "Bebe" Grimaldo

Naperville North High School
4 Years

Throughout my four years of high school, I have done fall and winter guard. As a Senior this year I was chosen to be a team captain. Besides guard I also participate in bowling, which I am team captain, I do track and field where I am the throwing captain. I also participate in Special Olympic, bowling and track and field as peer coach. In school I am in the following committees and clubs; senior board, student ambassador and gourmet club.

My favorite Guard memory was my Sophomore year when we stayed in Indiana for our second WGI Regional. We all went to the pool until it closed, and we had an amazing time splashing around and playing pool games.



Gabriel Gruszka

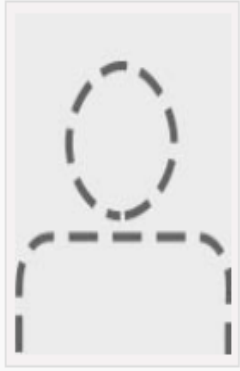
Downers Grove North High School
4 Years

I am on the color guard and winter guard teams, the Orchesis dance company, and various clubs. I am also a part of Girl Scouts and National Honors Society.

My favorite memory from guard is during a competition sophomore year after we had already performed and were waiting for awards. It was our last competition before everything shut down and we were hanging out in the standing. We decided it would be a good idea to give each other rat tails and, after a lot of convincing, we gave our coach one too!



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Emily Hernandez

Argo Community High School
2 Years

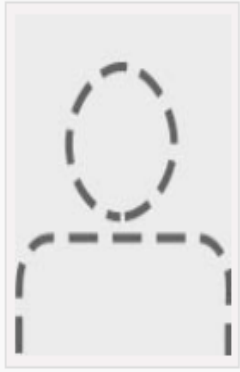


Aubreyana Hoff

West Bend Scholastic Cadets
3 Years

I was on the West Bend Dance Team during 5th grade, and I was also a student council representative for my house. I am currently an 8th grade captain of our WB Scholastic Cadets Winter Guard along with Sophia and Brianna.

I have so many good guard memories that it's hard to choose just one favorite. I joined the West Bend Winter Guard Team in sixth grade as a new start for not continuing the middle school dance team. This Guard has become an incredible family for teaching me new skills, making great memories, and meeting new people who have made a positive impact on my life. Being one of the captains of this guard family has built my confidence in the ability to help out newer guard members and those reaching out for extra assistance. Also, I'd like to give a sincere thank you to my amazing coaches for boosting my skill level, volunteering all their time to provide wonderful opportunities, and helping us to achieve phenomenal growth over the past three years. That brings me to my all-time favorite memory of earning a perfect score for our Cadet Show last season..."Twinkling Variations." I will always remember the excitement we all shared when we heard this news!



Amira Hmaid

Stagg High School
3 Years
I am guard captain.

Having long rehearsal days and laughing so much at the end because we were so tired.



Gwendalynn Hohman

3 Years
I am in guard, choir, cheer, softball.

My favorite memory was when I was a freshman we were practicing for our show (into the storm) when I was running with a zilla aka a really large flag and I ran right into JT .



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Nagisa Hoshino

Fremd High School

1 Year

I am in guard, lacrosse, and school.

I was scared to join the team since it was the first year for me in US, but the teammates welcomed me and helped me a lot.



Abigail James

Fremd High School Varsity

4 Years

I am guard captain.

Championships from my freshman year.



Sofia Howell

Illinois Central Valley High School

7 Years

I am in choir, various choir groups, marching band, and NHS.

My favorite memory is we were at ISU for marching band. It was awards time and it's the top 3 and they call 2nd and it's not us. It's 1st and my whole school jumps up and screams for each other.



Sarah Jeske

Downers Grove North High School

4 Years

I am color guard captain (11, 12), French National Honors Society, Wind Ensemble, French Club.

My favorite memory is champ's freshman year, getting to spend time with my friends and watch all of the finished shows. This was my first year doing winter guard, so I was surprised when it came time for full team retreat, and we all dressed up in little berets to match our show theme.



Heloise Jacobs

Stevenson High School

4 Years

I'm in varsity winter guard and FCCLA I also participate in theatre and am in Thespians Honor Society and I will be attending NYU to study Special Education next fall!.

My favorite guard memory was my last football halftime performance! I had a really great run and remember having so much fun with my marching band and guard friends during fourth quarter!



Rebecca Jezowski

8 Years

I am in Guard, School, and Bowling.

Getting my double on my flag.



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Lauren Kaiser

Fremd High School Varsity
4 Years
I am flag captain.

After competitions, eating together with everyone.



Lexy Klicinski

West Bend High School
4 Years

In all honesty, it is hard for me to pick a favorite guard memory. These past four years have been a lot of fun and have taught me so many things. My team is like a family to me and has made every moment of guard memorable. I will always cherish the moments together whether that be at practice, competitions, or any moment in between. I will miss everyone that has been a part of my guard experience. It makes me sad that I have to leave such a great team. I want to thank everyone who walked beside me during this journey, especially all of my coaches who have always been there for me and not only taught me everything about guard but also many valuable life lessons.



Sidney Kamrath

Illinois Central Valley High School
2 Years
I am in color guard, winter guard, and softball.

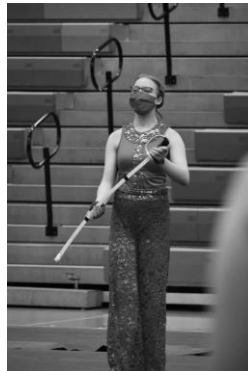
Finally getting the hang of the 45, I also like learning the choreography.



Isaac Killen

Illinois Central Valley High School
3 Years
Squad leader of Color guard team marching and winter season. Past member of Spanish NHS.

Dropping my friend on their back at camp.



Natalie Langan

Steperette Cadets
6 Years

Guard captain, school play, student council, and baking.

My fireflies performance with my team in the pool at an overnight trip for regional's. #waterflies



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Ava Klingler

Round Lake High School Varsity
4 Years

I am in the top choir and top band of my school as well as a member of the Tri-M program . I was a soloist in my schools Color Guard and Winterguard shows for three consecutive seasons (not including covid season) and I am now on my schools Varsity Winterguard team .

My favorite memory from guard was when we placed 1st at our first competition of the 2022 winter season . When the judges announced my team and I's name as first place winners , we all shouted and cheered so loud . Everyone was so happy and the energy surrounding all of us was so lively . I'll never forget how proud and ecstatic we all were . Our hard work paid off that day!



Kayla Lemens

West Bend High School
7 Years

I am guard captain and in NHS.

I don't think I have a favorite memory of guard. The thing is, I spent the most important time of my life being apart of the West Bend Color Guard program. So, I guess if I have to answer, the last 7 years, that's my favorite memory. Nothing will ever be able to replace the countless hours of practice, and the amazing dynamic of competition days. Everyone always says once you find your people, you'll know. I can say, I found my people here. For my coaches, Aunt Cami, Mrs. Nienow, Lindsay, Jake, Amy, Emily and Scott, thank you. I can never say it enough to all of you. You've watched me grow up and built this amazing program which feels like a home. Thank you for challenging me with your choreography, and for most importantly, being my second family. For my teammates, I love and appreciate you all. Don't take your opportunities for granted. Embrace every challenge, and smile. For everyone else, thank you for being apart of my favorite memory, and I wish you the best.



Isabel Lawson

Morris Community High School
4 Years

My favorite times are when we go out for team dinners or have team sleepovers



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Amelia Lin

Stevenson High School
5 Years
I am Varsity Winter Guard Captain, Color Guard Weapon Captain, National Honor Society, Formosa Association of Student Cultural Ambassadors, Peer Tutors, Pan-Pacific and Southeast Asia Women's Association.

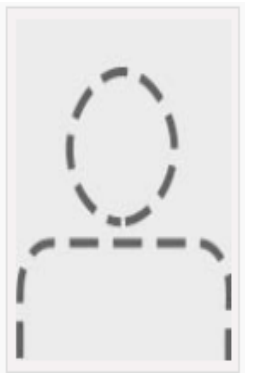
One of my favorite memories from guard is rooming with my friends, Stella and Sophie, at the Indy Regional. The best part was when Stella was banging on the bathroom door to tell Sophie that we made finals! We had so much fun that weekend, including when we were frantically packing and scrambling out the door at 4 am.



Stella Lin

Stevenson High School
4 Years
I'm in VP of Asian American Student Association, Guard Captain, Pen Pal, Peer tutors, NHS, Elevate.

My favorite memory from Guard is screaming while pulling my teammate Sophie out of the bathroom after finding out that we made finals at the Indy regional in 2020.



Elizabeth Martinez

Argo Community High School
2 Years
I am in band.



Xiaoxiao Liu

Fremd High School Varsity
4 Years



Melissa Mancera

Lake Central High School
5 Years

I have been on the varsity team at Lake Central for three years. I have completed 4 color and 6 winter seasons.

My favorite memory from guard is performing with all my friends.



Brooklyn Mao

Fremd High School Varsity
3 Years

I am in National Merit Scholarship Finalist 2022, Illinois All-State Pianist 2021.

Playing Sheep-on-a-Hill with the team during summer camp.



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Melody Martin

Farmington High School

6 Years

4 years of marching and concert band and 1st chair flute and piccolo, 4 years of chorus, 2 years of GSA (Gay Straight Alliance), 2 years of plays, 1 year of musical, and a 4.0 GPA or higher throughout all high school.

Catching my first rifle toss and parallel toss!



Charlotte Miller

Evanston Township High School

4 Years

Color/Winter Guard - captain junior and senior year, Dance, Viola - school orchestra, MYA orchestra, various chamber groups.

Going on overnight trips as a group and attending winter guard competitions.



Makaila Mburu

Plainfield Winter Guard

2 Years

Tennis, scholastic bowl, math team, WALC, Flute Player.

"If you want me to spin under the toss you gotta buy me a helmet."



Akshi Mistry

Downers Grove North High School

4 Years

Winter guard captain, color guard captain, NHS member, French Honor Society member, Tri-M Music Honor Society member, psychology club senior officer, DGN Eating Disorder Initiative co-founder.

Despite how physically and mentally demanding weekend practices often were, they have always been my favorite. There was one sophomore year when we were especially losing it. On one of our breaks, Cate showed us a video of turning one of her other friends into a pyramid. This was, of course, hilarious to us. Jumping videos and Obama pyramids ensued, and eventually we had videos of most of the sophomores jumping into an Obama pyramid. Several of our breaks that practice were also spent watching Ratatouille for some reason. Weekend practices always end in delusion, in the best way possible. Losing your minds together - no better way to spend a Saturday.



Jenna Melzacki

Plainfield Winter Guard

4 Years

I play clarinet in band; I am a part of national honors society.

Bus rides with the team and seeing our hard work pay off in performances.



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Addison Murphy

Morris Community High School
4 Years
Guard team captain, cross country, track Honors Student.

Watching 2019 world class finals



Morgan Neuhauser

Barrington High School
4 Years
Captain of BHS Color Guard, National Honors Society, and Co-Editor of the Yearbook.

My favorite memory from guard is meeting all of the new members every year. I have met so many new friends out of guard and meeting each one of them is always a special day.



Amari Murphy

Hoffman Estates High School
4 Years
Voted Most Valuable Person.

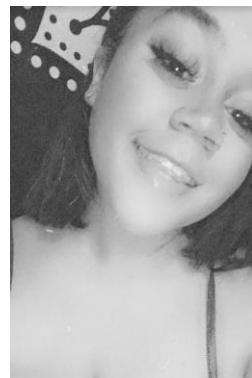
During my freshman year on Guard, my team and I finished participating in a long-term tradition of decorating our section of the hallway for Halloween and were now on our way to learn the theme of our routine for the year. I remember being so anxious wondering what it was. When I learned the theme was my at the time favorite movie, Coco. I wouldn't stop talking about it for the rest of the night. Definitely a core memory for me.



Cristina Ocampo

Evergreen Park High School
3 Years

Competing in person and watching other guards perform. Or every single bus ride home with my best friend.



Makayla Musson

Morris Community High School
2 Years
I am in guard.

Our Indiana competition.



Magali O'Connor

Naperville North High School
4 Years
I am in Marching Band, Winter Guard, Flute Choir.

I really enjoyed this year when we did our guard kidnapping! It was really fun and the breakfast and activities after were great!



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Sydney Page

Lincoln-Way Winter Guard
3 Years
4 years of marching band,
National Honors Society,
Chinese Honors Society, 4 years
learning mandarin.

This was during a short practice in my second year of winter guard. It was one of my friend's birthdays and we wanted to celebrate it. After practice, we went and got bubble tea and food and sat in an empty parking lot and just talked and laughed for a while. We sang happy birthday too. It may not be the most exciting, but it will always bring a warm feeling to my heart.



Olyvia Panici

Lake Central High School
7 Years
I have been on the varsity team for Lake Central High School for 5 years. I have completed 6 color seasons and 7 winter seasons with 13 in total. In my second color guard season we went to state and placed 6th place. Also, I have been the captain of the team for two years. I have been an academic letter winner for 4 years now with a 4.0 GPA.

My favorite is memory from guard was from my sophomore winter season, Icarus, when we won first for the first time at Downers Grove. It was such a thrilling experience and the beginning of our new chapter as a team.



Valerie Polowinczak

Lincoln-Way Winter Guard
4 Years
I am in Colorguard,
Winterguard, National Honor
Society, High Honor Roll.

Getting two concussions in the same week or bus rides to and from competitions.



Jessie Presta

Lake Central High School
4 Years
I've been on the varsity team at Lake Central for 3 years. I joined my freshman year and have been doing color guard and winter guard since.

My favorite memory from guard was when there was a leak in our bus ceiling, and I had to hold paper towel and tape a plastic bag to catch the water. All of my favorite memories were always on the bus rides!



Elana Revels

Illinois Central Valley High School
6 Years
National Honors Society, Soccer.

Anytime I was with my teammates.



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Lake Ragnini

Downers Grove North High School
3 Years

My accomplishments that I'm most proud of include being a fall season captain for the color guard, getting a gold in the MWC GC solo competition in 2021, and being selected to sing a solo at my school's honors recital.

My favorite memory from color guard was the moment I found out that I had been selected to be a fall season captain. It was probably one of the happiest moments I've ever had in my whole life! I didn't make the team my freshman year, and when I finally made it as a sophomore, I worked so hard to prove I deserved to be there. Being a captain made me feel like it all paid off, and I have never felt so proud of myself and what I have accomplished in my life. I love guard, I love my team, and I'm so happy I got the opportunity to lead them and to share my love of the activity with them as part of the leadership team!



Kelly Scanlon

Evergreen Park High School
4 Years

Junior and Senior Captain, level gold in Solo competition, performer pride award, 4-year varsity soccer and captain, NHS, Leadership MC.

My favorite memory from guard is when Ryan and I performed a duet on my sophomore year show, World of tomorrow, and we had to move a big prop and it kept getting stuck and then I lost my shoe.



Madelyn Schaffrath

Evergreen Park High School
3 Years

I am in Mathletes, Science Olympiad. Choir, Madrigals (a cappella group), Unaccompanied Minors (a cappella group), Student Leadership, Theatre, National Honors Society, Color Guard Captain, Madrigal Award, District Choir.

My favorite memory is when a guard did a show about the name game and asked anyone that was named Emma to go and take a picture with them and two of my teammates went and neither of their names were Emma.



Niloufar Rodwall

Hoffman Estates High School
Varsity
3 Years

One of my favorite guard memories is when my teammates and I got back to school from a long competition and put on a little concert for ourselves. Our soloist was dramatically singing Chasing Pavements while I was the back up dancer and the rest of the team was the tearful audience, waving their arms.



Kai Serna

Stagg High School
2 Years

Flagline Captain & Costumes Head tech in Stagg's theatre program.

My favorite memory from guard is getting ready together before any of our events and bonding, even if it's helping each other with eyeliner.



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Dina Sharon

Steperette Cadets
3 Years
Guard, Cross Country, Band.

Going to Indianapolis WGI Regional with the other 8th grade Steperettes! Watching the amazing guards was so much fun and getting to hang out with my friends was awesome!



Brooklyn Smith

Lake Central High School
6 Years

Being surrounded by people I've grown to love while doing an activity I love.



Emma Sheehan

Hoffman Estates High School
Varsity
4 Years
Captain of my team for 3 years.

The bonds I've made with my teammates and the laughs we share when we're together.



Laila Smith

Hoffman Estates High School
Varsity
4 Years

I have a lot of good memories from being on guard, but I think my favorite would have to be when my team made finals at WGI regionals my sophomore year. It had been my first year on varsity and it was really new to me. The excitement that my team and I shared was unreal. That was also our last performance of the 2020 season due to covid. So that was something that will always stick with me and be something that I will always be proud of.



Riley Sloan

Steperette Cadets
5 Years
Color Guard, National Junior Honor Society, Volleyball, traveling.

Going to Indiana with the other 8th grade guard members to see the Indianapolis WGI Regional.



Valerie Smith

Fremd High School Varsity
4 Years
Becoming weapons captain of Fremd Guard.

The moment that you finish the show, whether it be at practice or at a competition. The feeling of what comes after and knowing what just happened, knowing you put everything out there for everyone to see and feeling the energy and love from the crowd and your teammates.



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Sophia Stevenson

Naperville North High School
4 Years

Honor roll for having a 4.0 GPA. Part of the marching band for 4 years and was a section leader the past 2 years.

My favorite guard memory is from when we were offered to make a door for a make a wish child and we went to his house, and he was soo happy when we saw that we decorated his front door for him.



Grace Stone

Illinois Valley Central High School
6 Years

Member of NHS, Member of German NHS, Head Captain of IVC Color guard, Instructor of CEC and Mossville Junior High Color guard teams, IVC Color Guard award recipient, Involved in Michigan Reservation Service Trip.

Fracturing my ankle playing volleyball at band camp then getting rolled around in a cart for the remainder of camp.



Caitlyn Stocki

Downers Grove North High School
3 Years

As well as being a participant in color guard and winter guard, I have also studied harp for 10 years. I play in the DGN Symphonic Orchestra, participate in ILMEA and perform professionally. I also lead the Women in STEM club here at North, and participate in Snowball, French Club, and more.

My favorite memory from guard was when DGN made WGI finals my sophomore year. I remember being so overcome with excitement that I almost completely tackled my friend in the middle of the cafeteria. The excitement of competing is always the best feeling.



Mia Tiangco

Downers Grove North High School
4 Years

National Honors Society, National French Honors Society, International Thespian Honor Society, Symphonic Band.

One of my favorite memories was one of our competitions in 2020, me and three of my friends hung out in the classroom we were assigned during a break, and it resulted in a lot of funny pictures and getting closer with these people. One of the pictures we took is still hanging on my wall today.



Sandra Tichacek

Lake Park High School
3 Years

Performing at nationals and making it to finals for state.



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Lily Upadhyay

Stevenson High School
4 Years
Captain for Three Years.

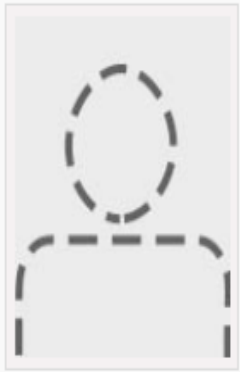
My team went to WGI Indianapolis, and we got to watch a lot of Open and World guards. It was my first-time seeing guards that good and I was in awe the entire time.



Glenna Wang

Stevenson High School JV
3 Years
3 years in Stevenson JV, Had fun working with the new kids in guard each year.

Watching shows at Midwest Champs with the rest of the team.



Leo Valdez

Round Lake High School Varsity
3 Years

Competitions



Abbey Wellner

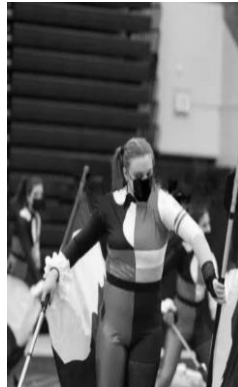
Morris Community High School
7 Years
Guard captain senior year, FFA, Reporter for FFA Chapter.



Alexandria Velazquez

Barrington High School
4 Years
Captain of the team, STEM teacher at Sylvan learning center, aspiring full stack developer and computer scientist.

My first solo where I got to throw my favorite toss (a parallel) and hearing the crowd go wild for the first time.



Alysha Wenglarz

Lake Central High School
6 Years
Lake Central Web and Social Media content publications editor, the Borgen Project journalist contributor, NHS, Class cabinet, Midwest Color Guard Social Media intern.

My favorite memory from guard would have to be those times before or after practice when the whole team is just hanging out and having fun together. We've gone out to eat, watched movies, or just sat around in our guard closet with each other. One of my favorite times was when we watched Frozen 2 before practice.



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Erin Wesley

Hersey High School

4 Years

4 years of Color Guard, 4 years of Show Choir, 4 years of Hersey Theatre.

During a marching band show when I was a sophomore, I had a solo toss in the 4th movement. I had a hard time catching this toss specifically and we were at a competition. I was really nervous, but I ended up catching the toss and I heard my friend behind me go "Yes, Erin!!"



Cydne Whitley

Illinois Valley Central High School

7 Years

High honor roll.

Every band camp.



Katelyn Witt

Plainfield Winter Guard

1 Year

I'm from Plainfield Central! My extra curricular activities are Figure Skating, Band, and of course Winter-guard <3 My accomplishments include being drum major of the PCHS Wildcat Marching Band and being Principal Flutist/Piccolo of our Wind Ensemble. I've also succeeded in maintaining a 5.0+ GPA while being enrolled in AP, Dual Credit, and Honors classes.

My favorite memory so far has been being able to perform our entire show for the first time! We have advanced so much since the beginning of the season and seeing a huge increase/jump of 20 points since our last competition made me feel so hopeful for what the rest of the season holds for us.



Melody Zavala

5 Years

I did school on the side and nursing school also for two years. I would love to continue that education for my next years, and I have also been in band class playing trumpet :). I did do a year of track and was involved in some clubs such as Speech team, dance team in middle school, and theater!

My favorite memory from winter guard would be the friendship that I had there. Everyone will try to be nice to the newbies and everyone else too, and it is really a fun experience to be going to other schools to compete. It's just super pretty everything that guard can represent. Colorful, cheerful, and challenging. It's super worth it!

