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State honors continue as dancers kick, twirl, leap to amaze fans with routines

The Wildcat Dance Team entered the season as State Title Holders and continued to execute at that level of excellence throughout the year.

With a team filled with 18 talented dancers, the Wildcats obtained Fourth Place in the Pom category and Division 1 scores in Contemporary and Jazz categories.

"I have always had a passion for dancing. Performing with these girls at games and competitions has been a highlight of my high school experience," said senior Kaylee Whitacre.

Being cohesive as a group is always crucial for success, but that was never an issue for the Wildcat dancers. With time spent at camp, at team bondings, and at extra practice sessions, they came together as one unit whenever they stepped onto the floor.

"I am extremely proud of the progress that we have made this year as a team and I feel honored

to be a part of a team that gets along so well," said senior Abigail Miller.

A successful season driven by strength, technique and growth earned the rewards of recognition and awards from numerous competitions.

"This team just keeps getting better. So many history-making moments have happened in the past few years. I couldn't ask for a better team to bring home some trophies," said Head Coach Veronica Claeys.

~ Kayla Cornett

On the Board

Fourth Place State
(Pom Category)

Division One Scores
(Contemporary & Jazz Categories)



Courtesy Photo

Essence
Wilmington

Favorite style of dance: Hip-hop

Highlight of the season:

"The highlight of the season for me was dancing and spending time with my teammates for my last year of high school."

Favorite team bonding activity:

"My favorite team bonding activity is playing this weird, but fun game called pterodactyl!"

Future Plans:

"My future plans are to go to college to major in business and eventually open my own dance studio called Essence W. Dance."

Mascot Message:

"I thought that I was really limber and exciting to watch until I saw Essence leap and fly through the air with her teammates so gracefully for an purrrrrfect landing," said Mascot Victor E.



Phyllis Debates

While performing their award winning pom routine, senior Jennah Douglas leads the line.



Max Revels

With their camp routine, the Dance Team kicks up the Paw Power at the Homecoming Spirit Aud .



Phyllis Debates

Balanced and poised with grace, senior Essence Wilmington and the dance team prepare for a spin.