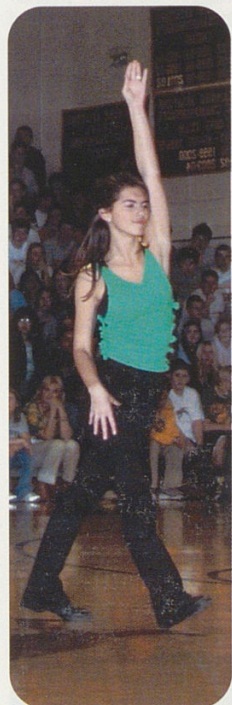




Amy Petrocy, 12, and Megan Jones, 11, lead their group in their ripped green costumes. While, Carly Gilbert, 11, Rachel Washburn, 11, and Alexandra Hunter, 11, followed with intense energy. The crowd watched the entire team strut their stuff in this bright colored sultry dance routine to Missy Elliot's "Pass that dutch" choreographed by **Jennifer Grossman, 11.**



Reach for the stars! **Jennifer Grossman, 11,** dug deep to bring out the brightest energy she could. The crowd went wild when this dancing diva showed all that she had.



DROPPIN' IT LIKE IT'S HOT

Mad skills, hot dancing, and energetic girls

Go Figure

22

girls on
the team

10

dances made
up this year

5th

placement in
competition

2-3

practices
during the
week

They are seen walking through the halls in their cute, new, green and gold warm-up outfits. They are seen carrying roses and practicing after school in the commons. Where they are really truly seen is in the middle of the gym putting all they've got into that one dance routine to get you, the student section, pumped up and ready to kick butt. Those dancing divas were none other than the Flyerettes. They brought spirit and spunk to our games, our pep rallies, and day to day activities.

New coaches **Elyse Allen, University of Cincinnati Dance Team member,** and **Mrs. Chris Allen, English teacher,** raised the standards of the Flyerettes.

"The coaches are so dedicated to doing everything they can to help us and they are just awesome," **Megan Jones, 11.**

Off to boot camp it was.

"We had seven two-hour practices within a two week period. It was insane, but we worked so hard and we were happy with our performance. That's all that really matters," said **Carly Gilbert,**

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11. All of this extra practice was to gear up for the Flyerette's first competition in January. They placed 5th out of 7 teams in their Varsity Jazz division. This was the first competition that the team had ever participated in.

"This year, we are more of a team. We are more supportive of each other, we dance more in unison than ever before, and we get together frequently just for fun," said **Sara Kauffman, 10.**

The Flyerettes were truly a family, they had team dinners, holiday parties, sleepovers, and even organized a big sister/little sister program. They danced hard but along the way managed to have a blast.

"I really enjoyed the dinners we had before some of our games, it really helped us be a team outside of school," said **Melissa Brook, 10.**

It is obvious that the Flyerettes have more than just a passion to dance.

"If you have the chance to sit it or dance...I HOPE YOU DANCE!" said **Jennifer Grossman, 11.**