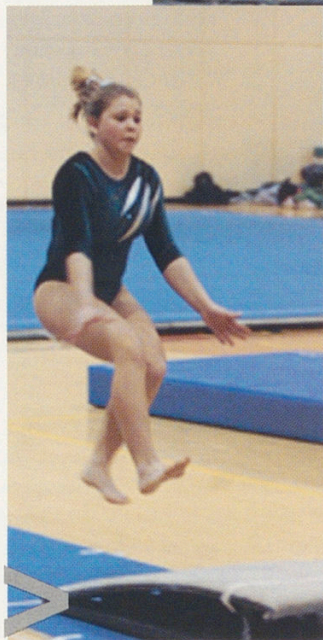


STRATEGIZING. Kristin Grueninger 11, talked to her coach about her vault before she stepped onto the floor. Collaboration on strategy and pep talks were one in the same. Confidence on an event was very important.



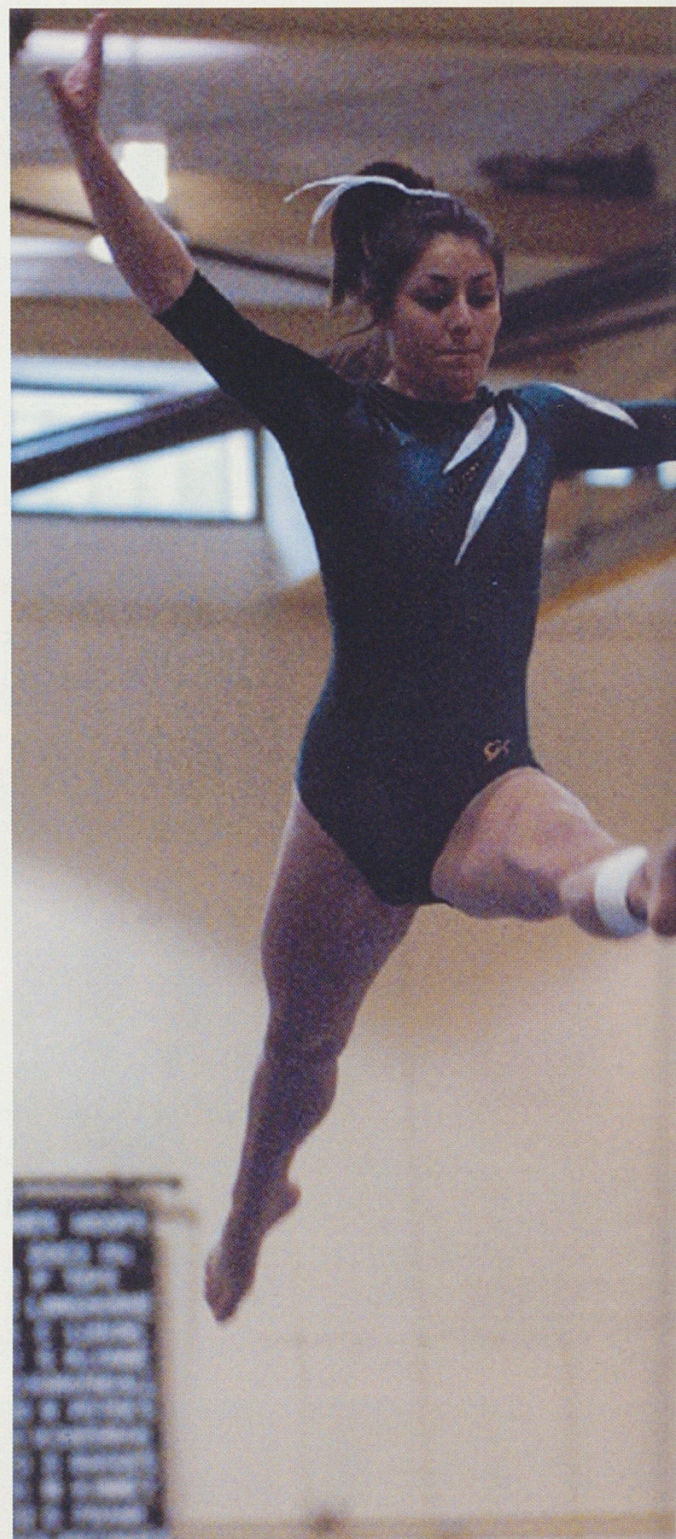
THE BACK PIKE. Lauren Goedde, 9, did a back pike as her dismount off the beam. Her teammates silently cheered for her so that she could concentrate.



STICK IT! Liz Back, 10, did a hurdle onto the spring board. She then did a handspring onto the vault and spotted the mat to stick her landing.



POSE FOR THE JUDGES! Katie LeBuhn, 12, began her floor routine with an original move. With all eyes on the mat, the girls had to practice days on end in order to perfect their routines.



ONE OF THE FOUR. Rachel Washburn 10, did a posed scale on the balance beam. The other three events for women's gymnastics are uneven bars, vault, and floor.

