



Kari Hellman, 9, and Brittany Kindberg, 9 have high energy and get excited with their first dance at one of their weekly football games. Both squads did at least one dance per game. The new creative dances the squads performed during the season were learned at a UCA dance camp during the summer.

Row 1: Kari Hellman, Lauren Rubenstein, Samantha Zola, Laura Singer, and Brittany Kindberg. Row 2: Emile Hunter, Kristina Caudill, Felicia Trost, and Lisa Wu.



Row 1: Kimberly Allen, 10, Shante Jackson, 10, and Sarah Smith, 10. Row 2: Olivia Saltzmann, 10, and Jiara Wilson, 10. Not Pictured: Jessica Doris, 10, Kelsey Fairhurst, 10, Torri Geisler, 10, Lisa Routt, 10, and Amanda Soled, 10.



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Kelsey Fairhurst, 10 and the rest of the JV team do their welcome cheer to welcome the crowd to a home game. The crowds were always very involved in cheers during games. The JV squads cheers were always creative and enthusiastic.

SPIRITED GIRLS PEP UP CROWDS

Cheerleading squads help players get excited for their games

By: Kyle Goldhoff

The JV and freshmen cheerleading squads had a great cheering season. These energetic girls took part in a four day United Cheer Association (UCA) camp over the summer, took weekly tumbling classes all season, and were a big part of spirit not only at games but also at pep rallies and various other sporting events.

This summer, both squads along with varsity, attended a UCA cheer camp that was held at Miami University. The objectives for attending this camp were to learn dances and cheers for the season. That also allowed the separate squads to bond. All of the girls found this very beneficial.

"I think our most memorable time as a squad was the cheer night, because all three squads got to bond," said Emile Hunter, 9

A requirement of both squads was each girl had to attend one tumbling

class at Kids First a week. Half of each squad went either on Monday or Wednesday, while the other girls stayed back on the day they practiced cheers and dance. Every girl improved their tumbling.

"As a squad, I think one of our biggest strengths was tumbling," said Samantha Zola, 9.

Games were also a big part of both squads' seasons. Both teams had large and very energetic crowds.

Both squads bonded well and got along even better. This was very beneficial and showed through love for what they are doing and spirit at their games. Both squads had great seasons and were extremely sad to see them end.

"All of us on the team are friends, so we get along really well," said Lisa Routt, 10.