

1. **Keep cheering.** Alexa Polites, 9, shows her spirit for the basketball team. Cheering was a great inspiration for the basketball team. 2. **Go, Fight, Win!** The green squad yelled as loud as they could! It was tough with only six girls on the court at all times. 3. **Support with silence!** Jackie Kelly, 9, and Alexa Polites, 9, held a number one while one of the players shot a free throw. They showed their spirit, but with no noise to make sure they did not mess up the player's concentration.



# Split even

## Two separate squads

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### A NEW BEGINNING MEANS STAYING STRONG.

The girls decided to split into two squads. They did this because there are two freshman basketball teams. In the past the freshman cheerleaders only have cheered at home games. Since they had more cheerleaders than usual and two coaches, they were able to split into two squads. This was a new experience for everyone, resulting in some problems for the girls because they were not able to all cheer with each other.

"I don't like how the coaches split up the teams. I miss cheering with all the girls," said Mandy Hamberg, 9.

Although they still got along well, they did not like this split. If everyone had cheered together, they believe the season would have been more fun and a bigger success.

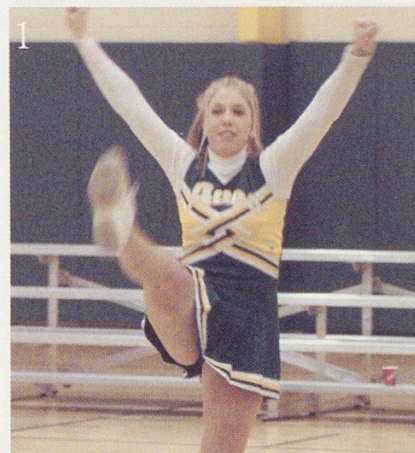
"It's not as fun when we can't cheer with everyone," said Alexa Polites, 9.

The coaches thought this was a good way to have the girls not socializing with just their friends on the squad. They believed this was a good way to have them mix and become close with other girls especially for the future in cheerleading. The girls did not agree with this.

"I don't like how we don't get to cheer with our friends on the other team," said Jackie Kelly, 9.

The split may not have been the best thing for the girls, but it is always nice to try something different. The season may not have been the best for the girls, but they still had fun.

1. **Go Aves!** Kristin Vice, 9, presented a great big kick for the team. Her kicks always kept the crowd involved. 2. **Green and Gold!** Jesse Senefeld-Naber, 9, Jackie Kelly, 9, and Tricia Branham, 9, yell loud while they performed a cheer along with the rest of their squad at halftime. Being in sync is very important in front of an audience.



3. **"WOW!"** Jesse Senefeld-Naber, 9, sure could jump. Her jumps looked amazing. She had great form which the crowd loved!

