



2022-2023 ALLEGIANCE A WINTER GUARD TEAM

ALLEGIANCE COLOR GUARD

Established in 2010, Allegiance is a 501(c)(3) non-profit youth color guard program based in Dundee, Illinois. Allegiance offers (3) winter guard teams: Allegiance Open, Allegiance A, and Allegiance Cadets. Our Open team is our most competitive group intended for students with significant color guard experience. Our A team is intended for high school age students who may or may not have color guard experience, and our Cadet team is intended for students 9-14 beginners welcome. Over the years, the Allegiance programs have received numerous awards in the Midwest Color Guard Circuit (MWCGC) and Winter Guard International (WGI).

WHAT IS WINTER GUARD?

Winter Guard is a fun indoor activity of traditional color guard flag spinning and tossing combined with the theatrical elements of a stage play and the competitive qualities of a sports team. Each year, we put together a 4 to 5 minute production and perform it at local competitions where we receive scores and placements from professional judges.

WHO CAN JOIN THE ALLEGIANCE A TEAM?

The Allegiance A Winter Guard team is open to co-ed youth ages 14-22 from the Chicagoland areas and beyond. Previous color guard experience is not required.

COVID-19 POLICY

The health and safety of our members, staff, and families are very important to us. Allegiance as an organization will follow all applicable CDC and IDPH guidance concerning COVID-19 protocols. We highly recommend that all members, staff and volunteers be fully vaccinated against COVID-19.

WHEN & WHERE ARE REHEARSALS?

Between October and December we have rehearsals on Sundays only. January through March we utilize both Saturdays and Sundays for rehearsals and/or competitions. Our main rehearsal location is Marengo Middle School. There may be times when we need to hold rehearsal at an alternate school. See attached schedule for rehearsal dates and locations.

WHEN & WHERE ARE COMPETITIONS?

Competitions are held on weekends between the end of January and the beginning of April in the Chicagoland area. See attached schedule for competition dates and locations.

HOW MUCH DOES IT COST?

Membership dues are \$750 and this amount can be paid in (6) monthly installments of \$125/month. Dues cover all color guard instruction, costumes, use of flags, rehearsal fees, competition entry fees, and much more. Fundraising is also required to help keep dues affordable.

I'M INTERESTED! WHAT DO I DO NEXT?

If you haven't already, please fill out our General Interest Form: <https://allegiancecg.org/register>. Once received, you will be added to our mailing list and invited to our next rehearsal. Attending a free rehearsal is a great way to try it out before signing up to join! If you would like to join after your first rehearsal, we will provide you with the necessary paperwork for parents to fill out.

WHO SHOULD I CONTACT WITH QUESTIONS?

Katie Sullivan is our talented Coach and Director for the Allegiance A Winter Guard team! She has a wonderful background in the color guard activity. Katie can be reached at (404) 401-6265 or e-mail: KatieAEaton@gmail.com



2022-2023 ALLEGIANCE A REHEARSAL & COMPETITION SCHEDULE

Schedule Revised 10/4/22

<u>OCTOBER</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
Sun, Oct. 2	Rehearsal	9am-4pm	Marengo MS
Sun, Oct. 9	Rehearsal	9am-4pm	Marengo MS
Sun, Oct. 16	Rehearsal	9am-4pm	Marengo MS
Sun, Oct. 23	Rehearsal	9am-4pm	Marengo MS
Sat, Oct. 29	Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser	8am-12pm	American Legion, Elgin
Sun, Oct. 30	Rehearsal	9am-4pm	Marengo MS
<u>NOVEMBER</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
Sun, Nov. 6	Rehearsal	9am-4pm	Marengo MS
"	Parent Meeting (virtual zoom option)	9am-10:15am	Marengo MS
Sun, Nov. 13	Rehearsal	9am-4pm	Marengo MS
Sun, Nov. 20	Rehearsal	9am-4pm	Marengo MS
<u>DECEMBER</u>			
Sun, Dec. 4	Rehearsal	9am-4pm	Marengo MS
Sun, Dec. 11	Rehearsal	9am-4pm	Marengo MS
Sun, Dec. 18	Rehearsal	9am-4pm	Marengo MS
Fri, Dec. 30	Rehearsal (sleepover at Marengo MS)	1pm-8:30pm	Marengo MS
Sat, Dec. 31	Rehearsal	9am-4pm	Marengo MS
<u>JANUARY</u>			
Sat, Jan. 7	Rehearsal	1pm-8:30pm	Marengo MS
Sun, Jan. 8	Rehearsal	9am-4pm	Marengo MS
Sat, Jan. 14	Rehearsal	1pm-8:30pm	Marengo MS
Sun, Jan. 15	Rehearsal	9am-4pm	Marengo MS
Sat, Jan. 21	Rehearsal	10am-4pm	Marengo MS
"	Preview Show/Food Drive (Doors open at 3:30)	4pm-5pm	Marengo MS
Sun, Jan. 22	Rehearsal	9am-4pm	Marengo MS
Sat, Jan. 28	Competition at Jacobs HS (Allegiance Host)	All Day	Algonquin, IL
Sun, Jan. 29	Rehearsal	10am-4pm	Marengo MS
<u>FEBRUARY</u>			
Sat, Feb. 4	Rehearsal	10am-3pm	Marengo MS
"	Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser	3:30pm-8pm	American Legion, Elgin
Sun, Feb. 5	Competition at Naperville Central HS	All Day	Naperville, IL
Sat, Feb. 11	No Rehearsal!!		
Sun, Feb. 12	Rehearsal	9am-4pm	Marengo MS
Sat, Feb. 18	Rehearsal	1pm-8:30pm	Marengo MS
Sun, Feb 19	Competition at Schaumburg HS	All Day	Schaumburg, IL
Sat, Feb. 25	WGI Chicago Regional (Lincoln-Way East HS)	All Day	Frankfort, IL
Sun, Feb. 26	No Rehearsal!!		
<u>MARCH</u>			
Sat, Mar. 4	Competition at Lake Park HS	All Day	Roselle, IL
Sun, Mar. 5	Rehearsal	10am-4pm	Marengo MS
Sat, Mar. 11	Competition at Hersey HS	All Day	Arlington Heights, IL
Sun, Mar. 12	Rehearsal	10am-4pm	Marengo, MS
Sat, Mar. 18	Competition at Minooka HS	All Day	Minooka, IL
Sun, Mar. 19	Rehearsal	10am-4pm	Marengo MS
Sat, Mar. 25	No Rehearsal!!		
Sun, Mar. 26	Rehearsal	9am-4pm	Marengo MS

Fri, Mar. 31	Rehearsal (Tentative)	TBD (PM)	TBD
<u>April</u>			
Sat, Apr. 1	MWCGC Championships (Victor Andrew HS)	All Day	Tinley Park, IL
Sun, Apr. 2	MWCGC Championships (Victor Andrew HS)	All Day	Tinley Park, IL
Sun, Apr. 23	2023 Allegiance Banquet – Location TBD	Noon-4pm	TBD