



**ALLIE HAUMANN
NVHS BOOSTER CLUB FEATURED ATHLETE OF THE WEEK
DANCE PROGRAM**

The NVHS Athletic Booster Club is proud to present the featured athlete of this week, dancer Allie Haumann. Allie is a four-year varsity member and has been a leader by example since her freshman year. Her drive, determination and work ethic is contagious and exactly the type of athlete you want leading your team. Allie was part of the team who won the Grand Champs, transitioned into the IHSA dance state series and will lead Neuqua to this year's 3rd IHSA state championship. As Captain, Allie has worked with both JV & Varsity to help strengthen skills program wide.

Booster Club Reporter: *When have dance entered your life?*

Allie: I started to dance when I was about three years old. At first, I hated it, so I quit shortly thereafter. I started dancing again in 1st grade and began to dance competitively a few years later. I have been dancing ever since. I joined the Neuqua Dance Team my freshman year, because I knew I wanted to be involved in my school and continue to dance throughout high school.

Booster Club Reporter: *What was your first impression of the Neuqua Team?*

Allie: Being part of the varsity dance team as a freshman was very intimidating at first. I was doubtful that I would be able to keep up with all the other amazing dancers on the team, but they were the ones who pushed me to become the dancer I am today. I have learned so much from being on a team with girls who are so talented.

Booster Club Reporter: *What have you learned?*

Allie: When you transition into the high school dance team, you have to work for your spot, it's not just handed to you. It's very different from studio dancing where everyone is floored. Knowing I have to work for my spot on the floor has helped me become very dedicated dancer, student, and person in general. Over the year I have also learned valuable lessons from the coaches. They have inspired me to become a better person as a whole, but specifically to push me to my fullest potential. They have helped me overcome things I never could have dreamed of accomplishing, and I could never thank them enough for what they've done for me. I have learned how to be a strong leader and work with all types of people. I have learned to step up and take action when needed.

Booster Club Reporter: *What is your goal as a leader in the team?*

Allie: Leadership is not just about being in charge of other people, it is about inspiring others to come out of their shell and be leaders on their own. My goal as a leader on the dance team is encouraging each girl to strive to obtain her maximum potential as a dancer.

Booster Club Reporter: *What is your advice to new athletes starting on a team?*

Allie: My advice to new athletes is to set many goals for themselves over the next four years of their life. Although four years may seem short, there is so much to accomplish and high school is an amazing time to do that. I also would tell them to enjoy the high school experience because it will pass them in the blink of an eye.

Booster Club Reporter: *Where do you go from here?*

Allie: I recently got accepted into Auburn University. I plan to double major in Psychology and Pre-Med, hoping to one day become a Psychiatrist. I am thinking about continuing to dance in college. I am planning on either dancing recreationally or joining a competitive team. Regardless of my decision, I know dance will continue to impact my future.

Booster Club Reporter: *Who inspires you?*

Allie: My sister. I had the privilege to watch her grow into being an inspirational individual. I hope to follow in her footsteps by attending Auburn University next fall. My sister displays acts of generosity, integrity, and persistence that have inspired me to become a better person.