

DANCING QUEENS

CHS Drill Team competes at state



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The Charger Drill Team make their grand entrance at the CMS Homecoming assembly. Photo by Gage Hart

2024 Seniors

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The Chariton High School Drill Team is showing the community their dance moves. During halftime of home Charger football and basketball games the Drill Team performs dance routines in a multitude of styles, in addition to the junior drill team and the annual Dads' Dance.

There are seven girls on the team: Macy Farrell '25, Breckyn McGee '27, Maddie Poling '26, Lilian Bishop '25; and seniors Cori Geesaman, Maddi Howell, and Karcyn Michael. "I am going to miss team bonding the most, I love spending time with the girls and making memories that will last forever, even if they are embarrassing," said Geesaman, who has been on the squad since her junior year.

For Michael, who has been on the team since freshman year, it's a bittersweet moment. "I will miss the sisterhood and

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friendships that the girls bring, we are truly always there for each other." said Michael '24. Howell, who has been dancing on the team since her junior year, is also not looking forward to the end of her drill team career. "I am going to miss the constant support system that we are for each other. We have grown to be a family and we will miss that bond so much," said Howell '24.

The team competed at the 2023 ISDTA state competition at the Iowa Events Center in jazz and pom routines, finishing 10th.

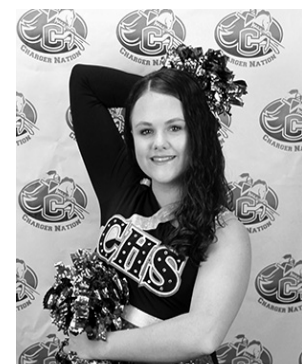
In October, Howell, Bishop, Farrell, and Geesaman competed in the ISDTA solo competition in Newton, Farrell, Bishop, and Howell scored Division I, which is the highest rank. Farrell was the top performer, coming in 32nd out of 72 dancers, with Howell coming in 38th and Bishop coming in close behind at 39th.



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