

WHS Blue Belles win 'Circle of Champions' Team and Officers at Saturday's DFW Championship Contest

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Congratulations to the Weatherford Blue Belles for winning "Circle of Champions" Team and Officers on Saturday, Feb 7th at the Showtime International DFW Championship Contest! 30 teams from the North Central Texas area competed for awards at RL Turner High School in Dallas. The Belles competed in 3 team, 3 officer, and 3 solo divisions. In the solo division, Junior Shelby Carter was one of the top 7 finalists and was named 1st runner-up as the most outstanding solo of the day. Senior Captain Madison Walker and Freshmen Natalie Hinrichs received Division One, Superior ratings on their solos. In addition, Freshmen Natalie Hinrichs was named one of the Top 3 "Kickmaster" Finalists for the best highkicks of the day.

A summary of all the awards achieved by the Belles are as follows:

Team Awards:

Sweepstakes for Division One in each category:
Jazz, Kick, and Pom

Judges Awards for receiving scores of 93 or higher from all 9 judges.

Best in Category Jazz

Best in Category Kick

1st Runner-Up Best in Category Pom

Circle of Champions Winner-
Team

Awards:

Sweepstakes for Division One in Jazz, Novelty,
and Lyrical

Judges Awards for scores of 92 or higher from all
9 judges

Best in Category Novelty (Special Thanks to
Senior Belle Guard Robert DelaGarza for his outstanding
performance with the Belle officers in this category!)

1st Runner-Up Best in Category Jazz

1st Runner-up Best in Category
Lyrical

Circle of Champions
Winner-Officers

Captain Madison Walker and Lieutenants
Katie Beard, Taran Hulsey, Kierstin Reed, Shelby Carter, Michelle Dukeman,
Natalie Mitchell, and Rylee Durant.

Solo Awards:

Division One Superior Ratings on all 3 soloists:
Freshmen Natalie Hinrichs, Senior Captain Madison Walker, and Junior Shelby
Carter. Shelby was 1st runner-up solo winner for the High school Division.
Natalie Hinrichs was selected as one of the Top 3 "Kickmaster" finalists for
best highkicks of the day.