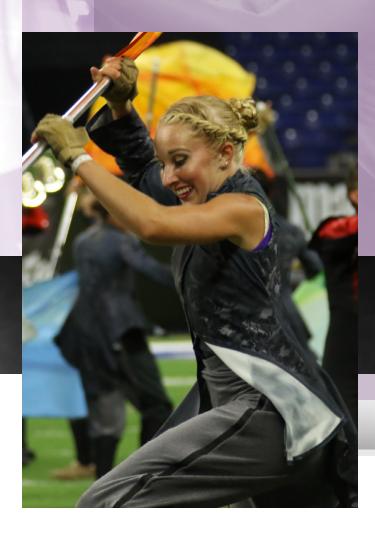
# COLOR GUARD BOOK



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## Thank you for expressing interest in the 2019 Colts Color Guard!

Below, you will see information regarding the audition process...

#### WHAT TO BRING:

- Clothing must allow maximum flexibility, be form fitting, and feet and ankles must be able to be seen for dance class.
- Solid color tops are preferred.
- No rings or loose jewelry, such as bracelets and necklaces
- Athletic shoes and knee pads (highly recommended)
- Large water bottle
- Hair MUST be pulled back the entire weekend. TIP: Make yourself look presentable, as this is an audition. Show your "best self."
- We recommend having a layer of clothes to keep your muscles warm, especially for the morning.
- You will need ALL BLACK form fitting clothing for Sunday.
- If you have your own weapons, please bring them to camp. We have a limited supply available. (FYI, we spin 39" King Sabres and 37.5" Elite Rifles)

#### WHAT TO EXPECT:

We will begin each day with a movement class. You will experience a technique block that explores a variety of different styles with a focus on technique, learn several across the floors, and a short dance routine.

Flag: Make sure you are comfortable with basic exercises such as drop spins, peggy spins, cones, and pull hits/flips. We will also explore a wide variety of tosses.

Weapon: Make sure you are solid with all basic weapon techniques (spins, double time, flourishes). You should be comfortable with tosses up to a 6 and different catch positions. There will also be choreographed routines for equipment.

Most importantly, come with a great attitude and be ready to learn!

Audition weekends should be an enjoyable experience, so relax and have fun.

Remember, this is a PERFORMANCE activity and this is considered equally.

Don't forget to RSVP for camp!

Any other questions about the audition process can be addressed to:

Jade Bouza, Colts Guard Caption Head, <a href="mailto:coltscolorguard1963@gmail.com">coltscolorguard1963@gmail.com</a>

Vicki MacFarlane, Colts Director, colts@colts.org

### **COLTS GUARD VIDEO AUDITION INFORMATION**

The Video Audition is ONLY available to students with unique circumstances that do not allow them to attend the traditional November or December auditions. The Dubuque April camp is both an audition and rehearsal weekend. We provide a result from video auditions, but a video submission is primarily for feedback and planning, and does not typically replace actual camp attendance. Your best chances of earning membership will be by attending an audition.

Students must receive approval from the caption head prior to moving forward with submitting a Video Audition. Students must submit the RSVP and Member Application at <a href="https://www.colts.org">www.colts.org</a>, and submit the \$60 audition fee prior to receiving feedback.

Email <u>coltscolorguard1963@gmail.com</u> and <u>colts@colts.org</u> to request a Video Audition and specify audition camp conflicts. Submit your video to <u>coltscolorguard1963@gmail.com</u> and colts@colts.org.

ALL Guard Video Audition students MUST be available for the April 26 - 28 camp. All video submissions will receive feedback and a result. Results of a Video Audition can be:

- 1) You have been invited to attend the April Camp.
- 2) A recommendation to work on earning a position in the 2020 Colts.
- 3) In rare instances, a contract may be offered.

Feedback will be provided around the 1st and 15th of each month starting in November, as we review videos in groups based on timeline of submission. Positions in the corps are offered starting in November, so earlier submissions have better opportunity for membership.

The video audition cost is \$60. You can make your payment online through the Colts Mall. Whether you receive a contract or a recall, you will be asked to pay the first time camp attendance fee for the April event (\$175 for new members or \$125 for returning members).

# 2019 COLTS COLOR GUARD VIDEO AUDITION REQUIREMENTS

The video should contain:

- 1. A brief introduction that includes your name, age, and past experience
- 2. Examples of your movement skills and dance ability (technique and choreography)
- 3. Your flag and weapon skills (technique and choreography)

Your video has no time limit, but be certain you are performing at your highest ability (include spins, tosses, and choreography). Please keep in mind you must demonstrate an ability to move and spin at the same time. A final note... showcase what is going to make **you** look the best!

To submit your video, please upload your video to YouTube, Dropbox, or Google Drive. Email your video link to Jade Bouza at <a href="mailto:coltscolorguard1963@gmail.com">coltscolorguard1963@gmail.com</a> and Vicki MacFarlane at <a href="mailto:colts@colts.org">colts@colts.org</a>.