

Crusader Competitive Cheer Excels!

Wow...what a weekend!!!

On Day 1 our individual stunt group including Jonathan Gesin, Adrian Butler, Olivia Szpunar, Jasmine Roig and Mikayla Kerekes took top honors as National Champions for best and most difficult Stunt Performance. Next were team performances and the squad faced several challenges which started with a fall on day 1 that set the team behind by .005 of a point. Then on day 2 the team came out strong. Adrian Butler and Taylor Szozda stepped up their games and performed an extremely difficult tumbling pass they hadn't tried before, and the score sheets went up 3 points and the crowd went crazy. Next a slip of a base caused Erica Kanter to dislocate her knee midway through the performance and she had to roll off the mat for medical attention. The routine kept going as competition officials would not stop the show and in that moment the team came together and with full communication they did everything they could to work it out!!! Everyone on the team stepped up. Jonathan Gesin and Mikayla Kerekes did their partner stunt without an assist (college style) and the crowd erupted. Then to save the ending pyramid a quick decision by Emilee Beauchamp and Olivia Szpunar to sacrifice the smaller part of the pyramid and focus on the main part allowed the pyramid to go up and the crowd was in awe!! People were genuinely crying and the energy could be felt throughout the room. Everyone stepped up in some capacity or other and at the end of the day the score did not matter (259 Crusaders to 262 Atlantic Shores, VA) but what was achieved did. Our true Crusader Spirit became infectious. Teams, judges and staff members from all over the country had come to watch our performance. It was standing room only!!! and CSCA did not let them down. The crowd could feel our spirit and they reached out to us to be a part of it. This is such a rare jewel and as Coaches we are honored to Coach such a powerful group!!! We are each blessed to be a part of something so special! Together we will continue our Crusade to the Top.



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