



COLLEGE

CHEERLEADING & DANCE TEAM

NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP



Zoe Manutes -

Zoe's judging career started in 1998 for both spirit and gymnastics. In college, she was captain for the Co-ed cheerleading team at Michigan State University. After graduation, Zoe went on to coach at her alma mater, Oakmont High School, Colorado School of Mines College, and Rock Canyon High School. She is a registered official for USASF Safety, STUNT, and Colorado High School Activities Association. She judges across many Varsity brands. When not in the gym, Zoe is found skiing in the mountains with her husband and kids.



Adam DeVault -

Adam DeVault is a former mascot at the University of Tennessee and current professional mascot. Adam has been a UCA college camp staff member 1998 to present and NCA college staff member since 2024. Adam won the UCA mascot National Championship and has been selected NHL mascot of the year multiple times. Adam was inducted in the Mascot Hall of Fame through his work with his previous characters.



Andre Carter -

Andre is the Director of cheer rules for the USASF and a member of the USASF rules committee. Andre was formerly an instructor for the International Cheer Union, the Director of Education for the USASF, the Assistant Director of rules, safety, and judging for the USASF, and served on the USASF Worlds Judge Selection Committee and Athlete Registration System Technology Team. In addition, Andre has worked for a major event producer, cheer music production company, and camp and choreography company.



Ashley Johnson -

Ashley is the Spirit Coordinator and Head Coach of Cheer and Mascots at UTSA in San Antonio, TX. She is also a part of the mascot curriculum & staffing team for both NCA & UCA.



Beth Sanchez -

Beth Sanchez is a Pacific Northwest native growing up in the state of Washington. Getting her athletic start in gymnastics she transitioned to cheerleading in high school. She went on

to cheer for the All-Girl team at Morehead State University where she won UCA College Nationals and was given the honor of Kentucky Colonel. After graduating with a degree in Spanish and minors in Business and International Relations, Beth continued to work for UCA both domestically and internationally, traveling to such countries as Japan, Germany, Norway, and Ecuador. Beth currently lives in Portland, Oregon with her husband and two children.



Bill Ahern -

Bill is a University of Kentucky Graduate. He has been with Varsity and UCA for 36 years where he works with curriculum, staff training and safety officials. Bill also works with NFHS on the cheer rules book.



Bradley Eline -

A recent graduate from Indiana University of Pennsylvania, Bradley has been involved with Cheerleading for the past 18 years, participating in high school, collegiate, and all-star cheerleading. Currently spending his 15th summer with the UCA Northeast Instructional Staff, and has also been apart of the UCA Core Staff in 2020, 2021, and 2022, and leading UCA Summer Training's in 2023. Bradley has had the wonderful opportunity to judge prestigious events including UCA High School Nationals, UCA College Nationals, and UCA All Star Nationals all in Orlando Florida. Opportunities including Worlds Bid events, along with the Division 1 and Division 2 Summit, along with judging NCA High School Nationals and NCA College Nationals in 2022, and 2023. Bradley has also had the wonderful opportunity to be apart of the UCA All American Parades in Philadelphia, London England, Rome, and Hawaii.



Brandy McCollum -

Brandy started her career as a member of Spirit of Texas All-star gym and cheer squad from Midlothian High School. In college, she cheered at the University of North Texas and the University of Oklahoma. For 16 years, she worked for the National Cheerleaders Association as a head instructor for high school, All-star, and collegiate camps, and competitions. She has worked at the world ranked Twist and Shout All-star gym and coached numerous school teams throughout Oklahoma. She has coached the NCA collegiate national champion Oklahoma State University cheerleaders and was the Spirit Coordinator and Camp Director at Southern Methodist University. Brandy has coached and traveled the world doing choreography for numerous high schools, all-star, and

collegiate squads, as well as judging for various competition companies during her career. She works full time as the Director of Product Development for Varsity Spirit and Ozone.



Bri Lannom -

Brianna Lannom is beginning her second year as the head varsity football and competition cheerleading coach at East Coweta High School. She earned her Bachelor's degree at the University of West Georgia and earned her Masters Degree in Special Education in May 2024. While at the University of West Georgia she cheered on the all-girl competitive team, football and basketball sideline cheerleading squad for 5 years, winning 2 College National Championships as a competitive cheerleader. After Graduating, she joined the coaching staff at the University of West Georgia winning 6 College National Championships as a coach.



Brian Franca -

Brian is a former cheerleader at Colorado State University where he earned his bachelor's degree in History and a minor in Economics. Brian also received his MBA in Marketing Strategies from Regis University. Brian was a staff member for NCA and a staff member/head instructor for Universal Cheerleaders Association for 22 years. He has coached at high school, college, and all-star cheerleading during this time. He has judged safety and panel for more than 18 years and has judged at most major national and international championships. He currently works as a Director of Human Resources.



Brittany Rick -

Brittany Hasseldeck has 15 years of judging experience at the local, regional, national and international level. She has been USASF safety certified for 13 years. She is a former UCA staff member where she taught and head camps for 8 years. She is a graduate of Marquette University where she was a member of their cheerleading team.



Cameron Landry -

Cameron Landry has been a mascot for ten years on college and semi-professional levels. For nine years, he has worked with Varsity as a mascot instructor for UCA and NCA. He graduated from Texas State University and was the mascot from 2017 to 2021 and competed in UCA Nationals 2021 in the Virtual Category.

**Carlos Munoz -**

Carlos Munoz, from Dallas, TX, is a former Varsity Spirit Fashion Rep and the former National Director of Competitions for UCA/UDA and UCA All Star. He currently assists as a choreographer for UCA/UDA & NCA leadership summer material. He has choreographed for the University of Kentucky Pom Team, 2019 Russian Dance Team, 2015 NDA National Pom Champions United Middle School Dance Team. Carlos has 33 years of cheer/dance experience and served as a UCA instructor for 20 years. Carlos has judged competitions for UCA/UDA, USA, All Star Challenge, ACA, NCA/ NDA at the collegiate, high school and All Star levels, in the U.S., Puerto Rico, The Cheerleading Worlds and internationally. Carlos choreographed Team USA Pom in 2017 which took the Silver Medal.

**Caroline Nash -**

Caroline is a graduate and former cheerleader for Georgia Southern University. She is a former 8 year instructor for UCA traveling all over the United States, Europe and Japan teaching cheer camps. She spent 14 years as a UCA State Director focusing on the UCA Summer camp program, staff training as well as coaches and judges educational programs. Caroline has 30+ years of judging experience on the National level with High School and Collegiate. She has been an ICU judges every year since the first ICU World Championship, and has also judged internationally in Japan, Trinidad & Tobago, Norway, Germany, and Scotland.

**Christine Gialames -**

Christine has worked in all aspects of cheerleading over the last 20 years. She cheered at Slippery Rock University on the coed team & all girl teams and was also a UCA head instructor for 10 years. After college, Christine started coaching at the high school and all star levels, and has over 10 years of coaching experience. Over the last 15 years, she has judged at the regional, state, and national levels. When Christine isn't judging, she's caring for her 2 daughters and teaching 4th grade English Language Arts.

**Courtenay Carrel -**

Courtenay has judged for the UCA College Championship for the last 17 years. She is a graduate and former cheerleader for The Ohio State University and a longtime Head Instructor for UCA. Courtenay has choreographed, coached and judged every level of competitive cheerleading and is a decorated speaker for Varsity University events across the country. She currently resides in Mars, Pennsylvania with her husband and

2 daughters and is the current Northeast Regional Manager for Varsity Spirit.

**Courtney Toney -**

Courtney Toney was a member of UCA staff for 12 years and a member of UCA College Staff for 9 of those years. She has traveled to over 10 different countries to instruct for Varsity. She was a 4 year member of the LSU cheerleading squad and graduated in 2013. Courtney was the cheerleading coach at the University of Louisiana for 8 years, six of those years as head coach. She was a Varsity Spirit Fashion Representative for 5 years. Courtney has judged multiple regional and national events across the country for the past 10 years. She currently lives in Phoenix, AZ with her husband who is a football coach for the Arizona Cardinals.

**Cristen Dearfield -**

Cristen began her athletic career as a Junior Olympic gymnast trained by world-renowned Olympic coach and choreographer, Irina Milogradova. Cristen is a graduate of the University of Cincinnati, and former member of the Bearcat's nationally ranked cheer program. She was a Core instructor for Universal Cheerleaders Association and created the College Game Planning curriculum. Cristen has over 20 years of judging experience that includes UCA College, High School and All-Star National Championships. She has judged internationally in South America, Europe, and Australia. Cristen currently works for Varsity Brands' IMPACT division as a Facility Branding Project Manager.

**Damien Williams -**

Damien Williams has over 28 years of cheerleading experience both as a coach and as a judge. He has judged regionally and nationally for many Varsity brands at the high school, collegiate, and all-star levels. A native of OK, Damien cheered for both Northeastern State University and University of Oklahoma where he was a two-time All-American. He has significant coaching experience and is the former head coach of Northeastern State University and former assistant coach at the University of Oklahoma. Damien currently resides in Oklahoma where he owns two companies and is a PhD candidate at the University of Oklahoma.

**Daulton Byars -**

Daulton Byars is a former Ole Miss Cheerleader. Daulton has cheered at the High School, Allstar, and College cheerleading level. Daulton is a former UCA staffer and head instructor for over 10 years and has been a Varsity judge for over 9 years. Daulton is safety certified for both USASF and NFHS.

**Dawn Burton -**

Dawn is from Colorado, a graduate of New Mexico State University, with an MA in HRD. She has been an active coach in the spirit industry for over 20 years, beginning at the High School level, and currently at the collegiate level. Holding state cheer titles for teams in Texas, NM & CO. She was a head instructor for over 10 years for Universal Cheerleaders Association (UCA), including part of the College Instructional staff. A certified technical and routine judge at the state, national and international levels. Judging overseas, including places such as London and Mexico. An active judge for many prestigious cheer organizations within the spirit industry: UCA, NCA, Cheersport, Spirit Express. Dawn is the current Head Cheer Coach & Spirit Director @ Colorado State University, currently in her 19th season. Actively coaching the cheer and mascot teams and managing the dance team. All things spirit at CSU.

**Donna Snyder -**

Donna Carter-Snyder is a former Wright State University Cheerleader. She is a veteran staff member for UCA with 13 years coaching experience. Donna has been judging for 34 years with 29 years at the national and international levels. This includes judging for UCA, NCA, USA, Varsity All Star, the International Cheer Union, Worlds, Summit, and D2 Summit. She has represented the ICU as a judge in Costa Rica, Chile, Puerto Rico, Japan, Germany, Scotland, Malaysia, New Zealand, and Australia. Donna is also the founder of CHEER FOR A CURE, a Breast Cancer Benefit Cheer competition in Dayton, OH. This has been a successful event for 22 years. The Event was featured in the October 2021 issue of Inside Cheerleading Magazine. The 23rd Annual event will be in February 2024.

**Jamal Niles -**

Originally from Brooklyn, New York Jamal started cheer at Lower Merion High School and State Allstars. Jamal then cheered for 5 years at The Ohio State University where he was captain his final season. He graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Human Ecology: Human Nutrition and a minor in Exercise Science. He then earned his Master of Science in Food and Nutrition at Bowling Green State University. He was a member of the 2013 World University cheerleading championship squad. He coached at BGSU from 2013-2016, in which they won the 2014 UCA College Small Coed Division 1 national title. Jamal is also a USASF Credentialed Levels 1-7 coach and has won The Varsity Allstar Summit in 2019. Jamal coached Olenangy Berlin HS, a Varsity Impact

school voted most spirited school in America in 2022 and won state runner-up twice. He was on UCA staff for 16-years and voted HI of the Year in 2016 and 2019. Full-time he is a pharmaceutical sales representative and current allstar coach at Cheer Athletics Columbus.



Jana Gleaton -

Jana is a judge for NHSCC, UCA Regionals, state and local competitions for over 20 years. She is also a former cheer coach at Jacksonville State University and former cheerleader at Troy State University. Jana is currently a Varsity Spirit Fashion Sales Representative in Central Alabama.



Jennie Farmer -

Jennie Farmer worked for Universal Cheerleaders Association (UCA) for eight years where she was a Head Instructor and Core Staff Instructor. She has judged at the regional, state, and national competition levels for the past 9 years. Jennie was also the Assistant Director of Spirit and Traditions at Baylor University for eight years where she was the Head Coach of the all-girl and coed cheer squads. Jennie graduated from Sam Houston State University in 2012. While at Sam Houston, she was on the nationally ranked All-Girl Cheerleading team and served as captain. Jennie married Jordan Farmer from Crawford, Texas in 2015 and they have two girls, Jentry and Josie Farmer.



Jessica McDermott -

Jessica graduated from Hofstra University where she earned two National Titles. Jessica worked for Universal Cheerleaders Association for 10 years where she became a Head and Core Staff Instructor. Jessica has traveled to 14 countries teaching camps, judging National events, and hosting coach's seminars and training sessions. She is a College National judge and currently an International Cheer Union Head Judge. Jessica was the Cheer and Stunt Coordinator for Broadway's Tony nominated show; Bring It On: The Musical. Jessica is the current Head Cheerleading Coach at Barnegat High School and a Varsity State Director.



Jessie Ayala -

Jessie was a cheerleader at Morehead State University, winning Coed Division I National titles in 2016, 2017, and 2018. In 2017, she won the UCA Partner Stunt competition. Jessie graduated from Morehead with a degree in Graphic Design and has been a UCA instructor for 15 years, including 11 years on the UCA College Circuit. She assisted in coaching the competitive cheer teams from the NRC Tigers Gym in Norway,

winning four national titles in 2018 and two in 2019. Jessie coached at Missouri Valley College from 2019-2021 and brought home conference and regional championship titles back-to-back. Currently coaching four teams at Tech Cheer home of Tumble Tech in Cedar Park, TX.



Jim Lord -

Jim Lord is the Director of Education and Programming for USA Cheer. He is a member of the the NFHS Spirit Rules Committee and USA Cheer College Rules Committee. Jim has been involved in cheerleading since 1984 as a head cheerleader at Texas Christian University and the University of Kentucky. Jim has been a coach and choreographer of high school and college programs, spirit program administrator at the college level, high school curriculum director for UCA, and executive director for AACCA, which merged with USA Cheer in 2018. He is a nationally recognized speaker, having presented at coaches conferences in over 50 states and countries.



John Chebret -

John Chebret has been in the cheerleading industry since 2006. He started by cheering at Humble High School in Houston TX. Soon after he attended Navarro, where he won two national championships. He then finished his athletic career at Texas Tech University. Professionally he started working for UCA in 2008. He taught summer camps for the next ten years. During that time he was selected to UCA's core staff and College staff for the majority of the time. He then move to Colorado, where he began coaching the University of Colorado for the next five years. He is currently a full time choreographer for V!ROC.



Justin Sullivan -

Born and raised in Tuscaloosa, Alabama, Justin Sullivan has dedicated over 14 years to the art of mascot entertainment. A proud alumnus of The University of Alabama, he spent five years as Big Al, representing the university during both his undergraduate and graduate studies. His passion for entertainment led him to Nashville, TN, where he now serves as the Mascot Program Manager for the NFL's Tennessee Titans. With nine years of experience working with the Universal Cheerleaders Association (UCA), Justin has cherished every opportunity to share his knowledge and expertise with aspiring mascots. His journey reflects a deep commitment to the spirit of sports and the joy of entertaining fans.



Katie Morgan -

Originally from Plymouth, Michigan. Now resides in Tuscaloosa, Alabama. Cheered for Plymouth-Salem High School from 2000-2004, finishing in the top 10 all 4 years at UCA High School Championship. Competed and qualified for partner stunts 2002-2004. Cheered at the University of Alabama from 2004-2007. She began judging and coaching in 2006 after cheering at the University. Has judged on the High School and All-Star level for both UCA and NCA.



Kelly Gerleve -

Kelly Gerleve is from Minneapolis, Minnesota. She cheered for four years at the University of Minnesota and graduated with a BA in Psychology. Kelly is the former Bloomington Jefferson High School cheerleading coach. In her 11 years as coach, she won multiple State Championships and two National Championship titles. Kelly currently resides in Memphis, TN where she works for V!ROC as a full time choreographer.



Kelsey Cooper -

Kelsey is a graduate from the University of Memphis. Kelsey has worked for Varsity Spirit for 16 years and has judged many regional, state and national events across the US. Kelsey is the State Director of Sales for Mississippi for Universal Cheerleaders Association and National Cheerleaders Association.



Kimberly Hollock -

Kimberly Hollock has been judging since 1998 throughout the United States as well as internationally. She is honored to have judged all over the United States, in Costa Rica, Puerto Rico, and England. Her experiences include judging both scholastic and all star cheerleading at the state and national level. Kimberly is a speaker for Varsity University, a former ambassador for Spirit Works, and a former UCA Head Instructor for 12 years in the Northeast and Southeast regions. Kim cheered for the University of Maine co-ed squad and has coached middle school, high school, and all star. Kim is currently an Educational Consultant, and Adjunct Professor for Elementary Education, who resides in New Hampshire with her two boys.



Kristi Harr -

Kristi is a former cheerleader for the University of Houston where she won 2 Collegiate National titles. She is a certified Legality Official and has over 20 years of judging experience.

**Kristin Funston -**

Kristin Funston is a former UCA college instructor and former captain of the coed cheer squad at New Mexico State University where she received both her bachelors and masters degrees in Communication Studies. She is the former Universal Cheerleading Association Tennessee State Director and member of UCA's teaching staff for over 12 years, as well as former contributing editor to American Cheerleader Magazine. Kristin has 20 years of judging experience for school and all-star cheerleading. Kristin currently lives in Tennessee with her husband and three daughters.

**Leroy McCullough -**

LeRoy hails from Fayetteville, North Carolina, and is a graduate of the University of South Carolina with a BA in physical education with a focus in Athletic Training and the University of Louisville with a master's degree in Sports Administration. He was the former assistant cheer coach at the University of Louisville for three years. He served as the head cheer coach at Oklahoma State University where he led the team to four NCA Collegiate National Championships from 2005 to 2012. He currently serves as the Brand Manager of NCA and NDA. LeRoy has had the honor of representing his country for the past 14 years as a member of the USA National Team coaching staff, earning 12 ICU World Championships. He has also coached several high school and all-star teams to National and World titles.

**Lindsey Driskill -**

Originally from Oklahoma, Lindsey has a background in multiple levels of cheerleading. She attended and competed at Oklahoma State University. She was also a team member on both the USA All Girl Premier and USA Coed Premier team for a total of 5 years. She now coaches all-star and school teams. She is a current Assistant Coach for the US National All Girl Premier team. She has a combined 8 National titles, 3 Worlds Globes, and 3 ICU medals coaching at the college, high school, middle school, all star, and ICU levels in the last 4 1/2 seasons!

**Lora Solis -**

Lora has been a loyal Varsity Employee for over 20 yrs and was a UCA Instructor for 13 yrs. During that time she worked for the UCA Southwest Region as the Tryout & Special Events Coordinator for 5 yrs. She has also served as an Ambassador, Instructor, & Judge for the International Cheer Union. Lora then made the shift to work for Varsity All Star Fashion for 7 yrs, while holding the position of Head Cheer & Mascot Coach/Asst. Dance Coach at UTRGV for 10 yrs.

In her time coaching UTRGV, the cheer team placed top 5 at UCA Nationals while competing in the D1 Game Day Division. Lora has been judging as a regional, state, national, & international judge for Varsity for 20+ yrs. She currently works for VIROC, Varsity's Choreography Division, while working collaboratively with The University of Texas El Paso.

**Madiha Corning -**

Madiha is in her 20th year judging. She has been involved with UCA and NCA as a judge and scoring manager for the past 14 years at both the Collegiate and High School level.

**Mark Foster -**

Dr. Mark Foster is the band director at John Carroll Catholic High School in Birmingham and has been teaching band for 33 years. He has previously taught band in the Mountain Brook and Jefferson County School districts. He holds the bachelor of science, master of arts, and doctor of education degrees from the University of Alabama, as well as National Board Certification through the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards. He is a frequent guest conductor and adjudicator throughout the Southeast, and he maintains an active schedule of performing as a trombone player.

**Marissa Witherington -**

Marissa Witherington has worked for Varsity Spirit for twelve years- she started as the UCA/NCA State Director and is currently a Sales Consultant in Nashville, TN. She has over twenty years of cheerleading, coaching, and judging experience. This includes judging at local, state, and national competitions for over 15 years.

**Michael Cooper -**

Mike is the Head Judge for the ICU World Cheerleading Championships and represents the Country of Origin on the ICU Governing Council. He is also Director of the Technical and Judges Committees for the ICU and is the developer and head certifier of the ICU Judges Course. Mike is the former captain, coach and cheerleader at Morehead State University where he won six National Championships.

**Nicole Rollins -**

Nicole Rollins has been with UCA for over 20 years. She started as a UCA staffer and worked as core staff, college staff, curriculum team member, and material DVD. Nicole competed at UCA Nationals in high school and college. She cheered for Univeristy of Memphis 2003-



2007. She began judging in 2008 and has judged regionally and nationally for high school, college, and all-star competitions. Currently, Nicole is the UCA Scoring Director.

Niki Martin -

Niki graduated from Jacksonville State University where she was Cocky, the gamecock mascot. She has been a UCA Mascot instructor staff for 10 years. Currently, she travels around the US in RV with husband Eric and dog, Ani.

**Nikki Wilson -**

Nikki has been involved in the cheerleading community for more than 25 years. She is a former school, all-star, and collegiate cheerleader and spent five years coaching in central Florida where she coached her team to their first FHSAA State Championship in 2011 followed by the Runner-Up title in 2012. Nikki was a UCA Head Instructor for 7 years and has been judging for many years at the regional, state, and National levels for school, all-star, and college. She is currently a coach at Double Down Athletics in central Florida and lives with her family in Windermere.

**Paige Bolton -**

Paige Bolton graduated from the University of Missouri in 2012 before serving as the Director of Spirit Programs at Arkansas State University from 2013-2021. Throughout Paige's time at A-State, the cheerleading program consistently finished in the top ten, until 2021 when they finished in second place at NCA College Nationals. Paige was a part of UCA Staff for 15 years where she was a head instructor and part of UCA College Staff. Paige also traveled to China and Japan with UCA to instruct and represent the USA in the first annual Asian Open held in Tokyo, Japan. She now lives in Fort Worth, TX with her husband who coaches football at Texas Christian University, while Paige is an Assistant Cheer Coach at TCU.

**Stephanie Bethay -**

Stéphanie Bethay is a former competitive cheerleader and captain at the University of Central Arkansas. She spent 12 years on UCA staff as an instructor, head instructor, and participant in multiple special events and international camps. She continues to be involved with cheerleading as a veteran safety judge for high school, collegiate, and USASF all-star events. Stephanie currently resides in Corinth, Mississippi, with her husband, Kyle, and son, Walker. She is a practicing pharmacist and hospital Director of Pharmacy in southwest Tennessee.

**Suzi Hall -**

Suzi has been instructing with UCA since 2012 and performing as a variety of mascot characters since 2009. She is a graduate of the University of Tennessee with a bachelor's degree in Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, now working as the Assistant Director of Guest Experience at Zoo Knoxville where she curates guest focused educational experiences from start to finish, including leading their Character Team. Suzi focuses on refining details of mascot programs to pull together and create the "total package." She highlights the importance of intentional leadership and accountability in each program and strives to reinforce those lessons with each athlete.

**Taylor Schrecengost -**

Taylor Schrecengost has over 20 years of experience in the cheerleading industry. An all-star cheerleader in her youth and high school years in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, she went on to cheer and graduate from Slippery Rock University. During her time there, she placed top 3 at UCA College Nationals from 2012-2014. Currently a 12-year instructor, head instructor and choreographer for UCA she has had the opportunity to teach across the country and attend several parades in Philadelphia, Orlando and Hawaii. Taylor has and continues to judge many prestigious events such as UCA College Nationals, UCA High School Nationals and the Pennsylvania PIAA State Championships.

**Tootie Rivera -**

Tootie is a Varsity certified judge professional from Clifton, VA. As a Varsity Spirit State Director, Tootie currently manages DC, MD and VA territories for all their cheer training and educational needs. Tootie remains actively involved in educating coaches and students at Varsity University conferences and events each year. She is a former collegiate coed cheerleader and has coached college, high school and all-star competitive cheer teams. She has been a participant, highly regarded coach, judge and consultant to the cheer industry for over 30 years. Tootie holds NFHS, USA Cheer, and STUNT certifications and professionally serves as a panel judge and deduction judge for all major event producers.

**Troy Robertson -**

Troy graduated from Western Michigan University where he received his Bachelor of Arts in political science. He was captain of the cheerleading team and coached for one year. Troy obtained his Master of Public Administration from Arkansas State University. He was the assistant spirit

squads coach for three years coaching the highly competitive ASU cheerleaders and The Red Wolves Dancers. Troy was a Head Instructor and Instructional Core Staff member for UCA. He received several accolades with UCA, including Midwest Male Veteran of the Year and Midwest Coaches' Choice Award. On two occasions Troy represented UCA in the London New Year's Day Parade. Troy has extensive experience judging scholastic and all-star cheerleading, as well as dance, competitions at the state, regional, and national level. Internationally, Troy has judged for JAMfest Japan. Troy is with AMAX Talent and currently resides in Dallas, TX where he works in sales.

**Tucker Hunter -**

Tucker Hunter lives in Dallas, TX. His full-time job is the NCA Staffing Director for Speed Staff and College Staff. He has been involved with their collegiate program since 2012. He currently serves as the USA Cheer National Team Director for the Junior coed and Youth coed teams. Tucker has been involved with USA Cheer as an athlete and/or director since 2013. He has had the honor of judging UCA College Nationals since 2020 and is excited to be back.

**Tyler Dieterich -**

Tyler Dieterich is the Project Development Manager for Varsity Performing Arts. Prior to this, he served as the Head Band Director at Independence High School for seven years, where he grew the program significantly, including doubling its size. Under his leadership, the program earned consistent excellent and superior ratings at concert performance assessments and won three national championships at Varsity's NHSCC in the Game Day Live Division. Tyler's career also includes teaching at Cocke County High School and Powell High School (Knox County, TN). At Powell, he helped lead the Winter Guard to a WGI Regional Finalist finish. Tyler was also a part of Rhythm X Winds' WGI World Championship win in 2015 and contributed to Franklin High School's success, including a BOA Regional Championship, Regional Finalist, and a Grand Nationals Semi-Finalist finish in 2011 and 2012. Tyler's performance background includes being a student at Father Ryan High School (2003-2007), the University of Tennessee's Pride of the Southland Band (2007-2009), UTK's Concert and Symphonic Bands (2007-2010), and Carolina Crown Drum and Bugle Corps (2008, 2010, 2011). Tyler lives in Nashville with his wife, Katie, and their daughter, Charlotte.