



Naperville Central High School  
**Spirits Color Guard**

**Tryout Information for “Winter Guard”**

The “Spirits” Color Guard at NCHS invites everyone, guys and girls, to try out for the 2008-2009 Winter Guard season. We have a nationally renowned coach who has a vision for developing the Spirits team and taking them to “the next level”! This is an exciting opportunity to join a team that is really going places! ***While previous dance, gymnastics, or color guard experience is helpful, it is not required to tryout. Additionally, you need not have been a part of the color guard during the fall season to tryout for the winter season.***

It is generally known that during the fall season the Spirits color guard perform as a part of the Marching Redhawks, but it is not widely known that the Spirits continue performing in a winter circuit without the rest of the marching band. Winter Guard is a visual ensemble that combines elements of dance and theatrics with equipment such as flags, rifles, sabers and other props. During the Winter Guard season, the team performs indoors in the competitive Winter Guard International and Midwest Color Guard circuits. The winter season extends from November until mid-April, with approximately 3 practices a week, some weekend “camps” and several weekend competitions beginning at the end of January.

**TRYOUT DETAILS:**

**Thursday, October 23, 2008: 3:30 – 6:00 PM in the Cafeteria** (We will meet in Rm. 39 at 3:30 for a brief meeting & then proceed to the Cafeteria for the rest of the time.)

**Friday, October 24, 2008: 3:30 – 6:00 PM in the Cafeteria**

**You must attend both days of tryouts in order to have a shot at making the team. Wear dance or gym attire (no jeans) and gym shoes. Ladies, please pull your hair back and please do not wear any jewelry.**

\*There will be a **MANDATORY Parent Information Meeting on Thursday, October 23 at 6:00**, following auditions, in Room 39. Parents and students trying out for Winter Guard **MUST** attend this meeting. This will be a valuable time to meet the coach; to find out more about the commitment, both as a team member and as a parent; and to get caught up in the excitement of Spirits Winter Guard at NCHS!

Please contact Amber Cotrano @ [acotrano@naperville203.org](mailto:acotrano@naperville203.org) or Linda Gross @ [ljhgross@comcast.net](mailto:ljhgross@comcast.net) if you have questions.