



# Hawks Athletics

## *Press Release*

### Hawks Varsity Cheerleaders Take 1st Place at Competition

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CORNING, NY— The varsity Hawks Basketball Cheerleaders were on the receiving end of cheers this past weekend as the squad took first place at a major competition. They also received a Sportsmanship Award and were recognized for having the best choreography. The team competed in the ICE Jam Meltdown Competition held at East High School on Sunday.



Coach Heidi Basham said, "This type of competition is the most intense two minutes and thirty seconds of their season." She said, "They hit every stunt and every dance move was perfect." The squad performed to Kesha and Prima J's "Rockstar" with which they won 1st place in the varsity division. Coach Basham said, "I am very proud they won the Sportsmanship Award. We as coaches, as well as a school district, preach sportsmanship on a daily basis and the Hawks cheerleaders proved today they are getting that message loud and clear."

West High School Senior and Captain Kaylee Elliott said, "Cheerleading is not considered a sport but it requires dedication and that dedication paid off today. I am proud of my teammates and give tons of credit to our amazing coach Heidi Basham."

East High School Senior and Captain Olivia Reed said, "When people come to cheerleading competitions such as the one today, everyone can see the strength and energy it takes for each person in a routine." She said, "Our Varsity Coach Heidi Basham helped us push ourselves to do the very best that we could and it was definitely seen today at competition." Olivia added, "I couldn't be more proud of my team. We have really improved and have gotten to where we are through dedication and teamwork. I will never forget today as we were honored to win first place in the varsity division as well as best choreography and best sportsmanship."

Athletic Director Jamie Harter said, "All their hard work and preparation led to their successful day. I am very proud of them and I know all the effort and time they put in."

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