



MEDIA GUIDE

**COLLEGE STUNT
NAIA DIVISION**

APRIL 18-20, 2024

QUALIFYING TEAM INFORMATION



HOPE INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

ABOUT

- **Institution:** Private
- **Location:** Fullerton, California
- **Colors:** Blue, White, Grey
- **Enrollment:** 1098
- **Mascot:** Royals
- **Founded:** 1928
- **Division:** DI
- **Conference:** GSAC (Golden State Athletic Conference)
- **President:** Dr. Paul Alexander
- **SWA:** Kim Jaramillo
- **Athletic Director:** John Turek
- **Head Coach:** Kori Johnson
- **Years Coaching STUNT:** 13 (12 HS, 3 College)
- **General Info:** Scholarships available, Priority Registration, Travel Opportunities, Access to Athletic Trainers and AT Facility



HEAD COACH/TEAM NOTES

Favorite thing about coaching STUNT: The ability to strategize and coach for the entire game, seeing athletes take corrections and apply them during the game.

Best Quarter: Pyramids, more athletes work together for perfection-- 4th quarter is favorite-- really get to see outcome of the game- anything can happen to change who will win or lose in qtr 4

Season Highlights: Beating UK in overtime by 1 point, playing new levels for our team history, defeating teams we have never beat before this year- Concordia, Cal Poly, Vanguard

Coach Bio: Coach Johnson has been with the sport since its inception in 2011 as a collegiate official. She also helped bring the sport to the high school level in 2013 and was the first high school team to participate and has helped its growth in Orange County.

STUNT STATS



STUNT Conference:
GSAC



CONFERENCE
RECORD **9 - 1**



OVERALL
RECORD **23 - 4**



STARTED
STUNT IN **2022**



**3 NATIONALS
APPEARANCES
2022 & 2023 (3rd)**



JESSUP UNIVERSITY

ABOUT

- **Institution:** Private
- **Location:** Rocklin, California
- **Colors:** Royal Blue, Red, & White
- **Enrollment:** 2,000
- **Mascot:** Warriors
- **Founded:** 1939
- **Division:** DI
- **Conference:** GSAC (Golden State Athletic Conference)
- **President:** Dr. John Jackson
- **SWA:** Brie Campbell
- **Athletic Director:** Lance Von Vogt
- **Head Coach:** Alexis Blunk
- **Years Coaching STUNT:** 12 (6 years at college level)
- **Assistant Coach:** Mindy Halverson



HEAD COACH/TEAM NOTES

Favorite thing about coaching STUNT: I love the competitive nature of the sport and how it allows athletes who excel in certain areas of "cheerleading" to really show their strengths.

Best Quarter: I think our strongest and favorite quarter is Pyramids and Tosses. We love being able to work as a team together on the mat.

Season Highlights: A few game highlights include being able to hit level 8's throughout the season.

Coach Bio: The Warriors went 0-8 in the first season of the program's existence. Jessup found success right away in year two, performing in front of fans for the first time on February 11 as they defeated Sacramento State for the first win in program history. Jessup jumped to No. 2 in the NAIA STUNT rankings, earning the second year program a spot in the STUNT National Championship. With STUNT Nationals taking place inside Warrior Arena, Jessup put on a show for their home fans as they won the NAIA STUNT National Championship with a 9-8 victory over reigning champs, Vanguard. Welch led the Warriors to a 13-5 record in the National Championship season. Prior to Jessup: Welch comes to the Warriors with a wealth of knowledge as a specialized coach in the STUNT organization, as well as personal experience as an NCAA Div. I cheerleading and STUNT student-athlete and coach. Hailing from Galt, Calif., Welch brought STUNT to her hometown, Liberty Ranch High School where she built the program from the ground up serving as the head coach for the past 5 years

STUNT STATS



STUNT Conference:
GSAC



CONFERENCE
RECORD **8 - 1**



OVERALL
RECORD **15 - 3**



STARTED
STUNT IN **2020**



**2 (3) NATIONALS
APPEARANCES
2021: Did not attend,
2022 & 2023 (1st)**



MISSOURI BAPTIST UNIVERSITY

ABOUT

- **Institution:** Private
- **Location:** St. Louis, Missouri
- **Colors:** Navy & White
- **Enrollment:** 5,600
- **Mascot:** Spartans
- **Founded:** 1964
- **Division:** DI
- **Conference:** American Midwest Conference
- **President:** Keith Ross
- **SWA:** Iris Dixon
- **Athletic Director:** Jeff Fore
- **Head Coach:** Ciara Schott
- **Years Coaching STUNT:** 4
- **General Info:** Scholarships available, Game Tickets, Travel Opportunities, Access to Athletic Trainers and AT Facility



HEAD COACH/TEAM NOTES

Favorite thing about coaching STUNT: The athletes and I love strategizing, watching film and creating game plans!

Best Quarter: Strongest - Q2, Favorite - Q1

Season Highlights: Double Overtime against St. Mary's!

Coach Bio: Ciara Schott was promoted to Director of Spirit & Community Engagement in May 2022 and will serve as the head coach for the Co-Ed Cheer and STUNT programs beginning in 2022-23. Schott, a Missouri Baptist University alumna ('20, '22) has taken the baton from Andrea Robb, who transitioned into an assistant coaching role. Most recently, Schott served the past two seasons as an assistant coach for co-ed cheer and STUNT at MBU while pursuing a Master of Science in Higher Education Leadership. Together with Robb and former head STUNT coach Allie Henshaw, Schott helped the Spartans launch a varsity STUNT program, which wrapped up a trip to the NAIA Division STUNT National Championship in its second year in existence. In addition to her role at MBU, Schott also works as Program Director and Head Cheer Coach at Flipside, coaching four elite teams.

STUNT STATS



STUNT Conference:
Mid-America NAIA



CONFERENCE
RECORD **1 - 0**



OVERALL
RECORD **12 - 4**



STARTED STUNT
IN **2020/2021**



**3 NATIONALS
APPEARANCES
2021 (3rd), 2022 (4th),
2023 (5th)**



OUAZ (OTTAWA UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA)

ABOUT

- **Institution:** Private
- **Location:** Surprise, Arizona
- **Colors:** Orange, Collegiate Burgundy, & White
- **Enrollment:** 900+
- **Mascot:** Spirit
- **Founded:** 2017
- **Division:** DI
- **Conference:** GSAC
- **President:** Dr. Dennis Tyner
- **SWA:** Kristin Steele
- **Athletic Director:** Kevin Steele
- **Head Coach:** Kari Kratchman
- **Years Coaching STUNT:** 2



HEAD COACH/TEAM NOTES

Favorite thing about coaching STUNT: The game atmosphere and the scoreboard, along with the side by side compulsory routines that make our sport what it is.

Best Quarter: Quarter 2, we love jumps and tumbling!

Season Highlights: Our first game at our first tournament, we were excited to compete more routines this year and we were creative with our modifications and it allowed us to score, win a game, and continue to grow from that moment on.

Coach Bio: Kari Kratchman begins her third season leading the OUAZ cheer & dance programs after being named head coach in August of 2019. In her time as head coach, the Spirit dance teams has won three USA Collegiate National Championships and the cheer team won a title at the United Cheer Association College Nationals. She has also worked as a National Cheerleading Association instructor for three years. In that role she was able to work and teach at various NCA events and competitions. Her 25-plus years of experience includes time as the head coach at Glendale Community College where she tripled the program's size in the first year and helped them to a third-place finish at USA College Nationals. A gymnast for 15 years, Kratchman was a dance team member in high school and college. She also spent two seasons as a Phoenix Mercury Hip Hop Dancer and was a Super Bowl XXX Pregame Show performer.

STUNT STATS



STUNT Conference:
NAIA



CONFERENCE
RECORD **3 - 8**



OVERALL
RECORD **5 - 12**



STARTED
STUNT IN **2023**



1 NATIONALS
APPEARANCES
INFO UNLISTED



VANGUARD UNIVERSITY

ABOUT

- **Institution:** Private
- **Location:** Costa Mesa, California
- **Colors:** Blue & Gold
- **Enrollment:** 2,200
- **Mascot:** Lions
- **Founded:** 1920
- **Division:** DI
- **Conference:** GSAC
- **President:** Dr Michael Beals
- **SWA:** Jane Texeira
- **Athletic Director:** Jef Busselol
- **Head Coach:** Leslie Allen
- **Years Coaching STUNT:** 8
- **General Info:** Scholarships available, Priority Registration, Game Tickets, Travel Opportunities, Access to Athletic Trainers and AT Facility, Fully Funded Program



HEAD COACH/TEAM NOTES

Favorite thing about coaching STUNT: being able to coach a sport that I am proud to be a part of and that I brought to this school, all while mentoring great young Christian women and seeing them grow on and off the mat

Best Quarter: 3rd jumps and tumbling

Season Highlights: double overtime win

Coch Bio: Leslie Allen was tasked with launching the STUNT program at Vanguard University in Spring 2017 and the program began competing for the first time in the 2018 season where they finished ranked eighth in the country. In 2019, the team earned a berth in the STUNT Division II/III National Championships, finishing fourth overall. Coach Allen build on that success to grab a National Championship in 2021 and backed that up with a second-place finish in 2022. During her time at VU, she has coached 15 STUNT All-Americans and 19 STUNT Scholar Athletes. Allen returns to her roots in Orange County after spending the last two years at Ouachita Baptist University (OBU)

STUNT STATS



STUNT Conference:
GSAC



CONFERENCE
RECORD **4 - 4**



OVERALL
RECORD **13 - 8**



STARTED
STUNT IN **2018**



**6 NATIONALS
APPEARANCES
2019 (4th), 2021 (1st),
2022-2023 (2nd)**