

American Dance/Drill Team

Staff Bios



Brittany Dolotina

-CEO, VP of Operations & Curriculum from 2014 to 2024

Joyce E Pennington

-Owner, CEO Emeritus, CEO from 1982 to 2024

Lucinda Alexander

-Director of Personnel since 1998

Brad Pennington

-VP of Sales Operations since 2005

Doug Pennington

-VP of Technical Operations since 1999

Barbara Schoepf

-Accounts Manager since 1997

Debbie Mendez

-Adjudication Specialist

Emma O'Teter

-Administrative Assistant





Brittany Dolotina is from Dallas, TX. She was a member of the Mesquite HS All Stars where she served as Captain. Brittany graduated from LSU with a B.A. in History and Secondary Education. She joined ADTS in 2005 and taught Social Studies and Dance at Killeen HS, serving as the Director of the Kangarettes for five seasons. In 2014, Brittany “retired” from teaching and began working for ADTS full time as the Director of Curriculum. She now serves as V.P. of Operations and Curriculum and was named CEO in 2024.



Joyce E. Pennington is President, CEO Emeritus, and Owner of American Dance/Drill Team®. She holds a degree in physical education and dance from UNT. She was a high school drill team director in the Dallas area for ten years. Joyce has been named to the Texas Dance Educators Hall of Fame as well as the National Dance Coaches Hall of Fame. She is an honorary member of the Kilgore College Rangerettes Forever.



Lucinda Alexander has been with ADTS for over 25 years. Luci came to the office as a part-time employee after finishing high school, motivated to learn the business, the clients, and all things to help make successful events; she was offered a full-time position shortly after. She now oversees communications with over 150 contract employees and vendors, as well as working hands-on with our website and registration systems.



Brad Pennington is from Dallas TX and attended the University of Texas at Austin. He has been involved with ADTS since his parents purchased the company in 1984, and joined the company full-time in 2005. Brad oversees the merchandise/inventory and helps with many financial aspects of the company.



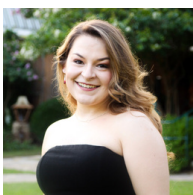
Doug Pennington is from Dallas TX and attended Texas Tech. He has been involved with ADTS since his parents purchased the company in 1984, and joined the company full-time in 1999. Doug oversees the sound equipment for all ADTS events and helps with many financial aspects of the company.



Barbara Schoepf has been working in the American Office for over 25 years. She is an essential part of our administrative team and is eager to happily assist our clients 7 days a week. She is always working behind the scenes to ensure directors have their registration login information and correct invoices.

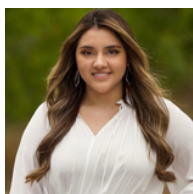


Debbie Mendez graduated from Southwest Texas State University with a B.S. in Education, Specialization - Dance. She was a high school dance director for 13 years and middle school dance director for 16 years. She has been part of the ADTS family for over 30 years and helps in the office with camp and contest preparation. She is in charge of overseeing the American Judging Staff trainings and contest tutorials.

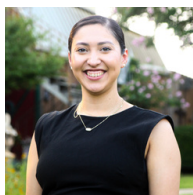


Ema O'Teter is from Georgetown, TX, where she attended East View HS and was a member of the Sparklers Dance Team, serving as a Social Officer, Lieutenant and Captain. Ema graduated Cum Laude from SFA with a B.S. in Dance Education and was on the SFA Dance Team, as well as a member of the Repertory Dance Company. She began working for ADTS in 2016 as a judge, instructor, and choreographer, and is now the full-time Administrative Assistant.





Aney (Puga) Abundiz is from Harlingen, TX. She attended Harlingen HS where she was a four-year member of the HHS Cardettes. She graduated from the University of Texas Rio Grande Valley with her Bachelors of Arts in Dance Education. Aney is currently the drill team director for the South MS Rebcadettes, and the Assistant Director for the Robert Vela HS Sapphires in Edinburg, TX.



Aleyda Aguirre is originally from Edinburg, TX. She graduated from Edinburg HS, and was a 3-year officer of the Red and Blue Sergeanettes. After high school she was a part of the 74th Line World Famous Kilgore College Rangerettes. She is a graduate of Texas State University, where she majored in Exercise and Sports Science with a concentration in Health and Wellness Promotions. Aleyda became an ADTS Staff member in 2015.



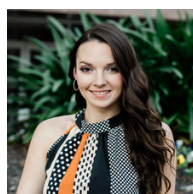
Emma Aguirre, from Georgetown, TX, attended East View High School where she was a 3 year member of the Sparklers Dance Team, and served as First Lieutenant her senior year. She is currently a student at Texas State University, majoring in both Education and Mathematics, and minoring in Dance. She plans to graduate in December of 2025. Emma joined ADTS Staff in 2023.



Lori Alexander a native of Baytown, TX, where she grew up in the dance studio world. She majored in Dance at Stephen F. Austin State University as well as taught at Venetia's Studio in Nacogdoches, TX for 4 years. She is currently the Head Director of the Ross S. Sterling HS Stars. Lori started with ADTS in 2010.



Amy (Campbell) Anderson is from Austin, TX. She attended Westwood HS, where she was a member and officer of the Sun Dancers. Amy is a former Kilgore College Rangerette and Swingster. She attended the University of Texas in Austin, where she danced on the UT Pom Squad as well as with the Roustabout Dance Company. She went on to become a member of the Houston Texans Cheerleaders. Amy has worked with ADTS since 2000.



Alyssa Andrews is from North Richland Hills, TX. She danced at Laura's Dance Dynamics before being a member, officer, and Captain of the Richland High School Dixie Belles. She went on to attend Sam Houston State University and is an Orange Pride Alumni. She is currently the Assistant director at MC Dance. Alyssa has been on ADTS Staff since 2019.



Brittany (Vanderloop) Anz began dancing at the age of 2 in Woodbury, Minnesota, and continued dancing when her family moved overseas to Tokyo, Japan. When they moved to Austin, TX, Brittany became a charter member, and served a three-year officer, of the Vandegrift HS Legacies. Brittany graduated from Texas A&M University with a Bachelor's of Science in Motor Behavior in 2015. Brittany joined ADTS Staff in 2021.



Mariana Arreola is from Pharr, TX. She attended PSJA Southwest HS, where she was a four year member, and major her senior year on Sapphires. Mariana attended the University of Rio Grande Valley where she majored in Criminal Justice and minored in Political Science. She graduated in May of 2020. Mariana joined the ADTS staff in 2018.

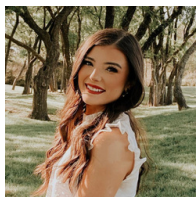




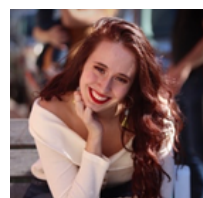
Kristi (Creamer) Beaty is from Duncanville and was the Director of the Duncanville High Hats for 31 years. She is a graduate of Texas State University where she was a member of the Strutters. She has been with ADTS since 1993 and served in many capacities including Novelty Staff Captain. After 34 years in education, Kristi is now living her second dream career as a Flight Attendant for Southwest Airlines.



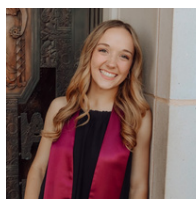
Morgan Birdsong is from Baytown, TX. She attended Goose Creek Memorial HS where she was part of the GCM Dazzlers. She continued dancing with the Lamar University Dance Team and served as Captain for two years. Morgan graduated with a B.S. in Kinesiology and a minor in Dance. She is currently the Assistant Director for the Celebrities and JV Belles at Baytown Lee HS. Morgan joined ADTS in 2019.



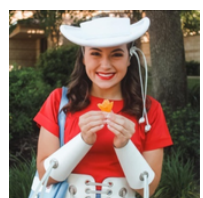
Kailey Bonner is from Corsicana, TX, and graduated from Corsicana High School. Her dance career began at the age of 4, taking classes at various studios throughout the years. She was a member of the Corsicana Calicos for 4 years, serving as a social officer and captain her final two years. She is currently attending Sam Houston State University pursuing a career in criminology. Kailey joined ADTS staff in 2022.



Hailey Borek is from Austin, TX. She graduated from Lake Travis HS and was a member of the Cavalettes Drill Team, where she served as a Lieutenant her Senior year. She received her associates from Tyler Junior College and was a member of the Apache Belles Dance Team. She transferred to UNT and is working on getting her BA in Dance Education. She has had the pleasure of working with ADTS since 2020.



Rachel Bowsher is from McKinney, TX, where she attended McKinney Boyd High School and was Sophomore Lieutenant and Junior/Senior Captain of the Bailadoras. Following high school, she was on the 80th Line of the Kilgore College Rangerettes. Rachel attended Texas A&M University majoring in Dance and is currently the Assistant Director at McKinney Boyd High School. Rachel has been on ADTS staff since 2019.



Bailee Boyd is from Tyler, TX, where she graduated from Whitehouse HS and served as a two-year Captain of the First Ladies. She then became a member on the 82nd line of the Kilgore College Rangerettes and is currently the Left Middle Lieutenant. Bailee plans on transferring to a four-year university after her time in Kilgore. She has been on ADTS staff since 2021.



Halle Braswell graduated from Corsicana HS, and was a two-year officer on the Calicos drill team. She attended Blinn College and was a member of the Blinn College Treasures. Halle graduated Cum Laude from the UNT with a B.A. in Integrative Studies and was also a member of the North Texas Dancers. Halle is currently working in the real estate field for a residential property management company. Halle joined the ADTS staff in 2017.



Morgan Bridges is from Whitehouse, TX and went to Whitehouse HS. She was a member of the First Ladies Drill team and served as captain for two years. After high school, Morgan attended the University of Texas at Austin where she was a member of the Roustabouts Dance Company for four years. She majored in Public Relations and Journalism. She began work for ADTS in 2012.





Kayla Bruner is from Mansfield, TX and attended Mansfield HS. After high school, she attended the University of Oklahoma and was a director and lead choreographer for University Sing and Sooner Scandals. Kayla currently works as an Assistant Principal at Cleburne HS, and is the former director of the Showstoppers Dance Team. She began working for ADTS in 2017.



Erin Buckley is from Killeen, TX, where she attended Ellison HS. Erin was a member of the Ellison Emerald drill team for four years and served as a spirit officer, Lieutenant, and Colonel. She graduated from Texas A&M University with a Bachelor's degree in Finance. Erin currently works in financial analytics for Academy Sports and Outdoors. She has been with ADTS since 2014.



Tiffany Burrell attended Ellison HS and was a member of the Emeralds Dance Team. She earned her A.A. from MCC and danced with the MCC Dance Company. She transferred to UTSA where she earned her B.A. and M.A. in Education and served as Captain, then Assistant Director of the UTSA Dance Line. She is currently an Assistant Principal at John Paul Stevens HS. Tiffany began working for ADTS in 2004.



Rosina Camarillo is from Lufkin, TX, where she graduated from Lufkin High School. She was a member of the Panther Pride Drill Team for three years, and served as a Lieutenant her senior year. Currently, she attends Stephen F. Austin State University and is majoring in Nursing. She is on the SFA Dance Team under the direction of T.J Maple. Rossy began working for ADTS in 2023.



Jennifer Canales is from Killeen, TX, where she was Junior Lt. and Colonel of the Kangarettes. She attended Texas A&M University, earning a B.S. in Kinesiology. She is the former director of the Westside HS Pride Dance Team and went on to earn a doctorate in physical therapy from the UT Health Science Center. She currently works as an outpatient orthopedic physical therapist. She has been with ADTS since 2002.



Brianna Cantu is from Brownsville, TX. She graduated from Lopez HS and was a member of the Golden Stars Dance Team. Brianna attended the University of Houston before transferring and graduating from the University of Rio Grande Valley with a B.F.A. in Mass Communications. She is currently the Director of Communications and Foundations at Saint Joseph Academy. Brianna joined ADTS in 2017.



Tori Carney is from Rockwall, TX. She graduated from Heath HS, where she was captain of the National award-winning Heath Highsteppers. Tori graduated from Oklahoma City University with a Bachelor of Performing Arts in Dance Performance. Tori has performed with Disney Cruise Line, and teaches dance in the Rockwall area. She has been with ADTS since 2014.

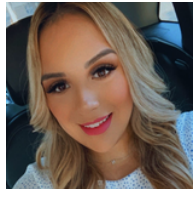


Leticia Carr is a graduate of West Mesquite HS. She received her B.S. in Exercise and Sports Studies and Master of Education in Physical Education from Tarleton State University. Leticia has been the director at West Mesquite HS, Ranger College, and the Tarleton State University. She is currently an instructor in the Kinesiology Department at Tarleton State University. Leticia joined the ADTS Staff in 2003.





Kenedie Casares is from Edinburg, TX, and graduated from Robert Vela HS. Kenedie went on to become a member of the 78th line of the World Famous Kilgore College Rangerettes and Swingsters. She is currently attending Stephen F. Austin State University and is a member of the SFA Dance Team. Kenedie joined the ADTS Staff in 2017.



Victoria (Garcia) Castaneda is from San Juan, TX. She attended PSJA High School, where she was a member of the Bearettes and served as Sophomore Sergeant, Jr Lieutenant and Major. She graduated from Texas State University with a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Dance. Victoria currently works at LBJ Middle School and is the Director of the Steppers. She has been on ADTS staff since 2018.



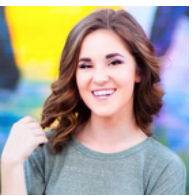
Karina Cazares is from Alamo, TX. She graduated from PSJA Memorial HS, where she was a 4 year member of the Dazzlers and served as Major for two years. Karina graduated from the University of Texas Rio Grande Valley and majored in Business Administration in Finance. She continues dancing as a NBA-G League dancer for the RGV Vipers basketball team. Karina has been a part of ADTS Staff since 2018.



Brenda Cervantes is from Corsicana, TX. She attended Corsicana High School and was a member of the Calicos Dance Team serving as Junior Lieutenant and Senior Captain. She then attended Navarro College, in Corsicana, TX, studying nursing before graduating from the Vocational/Practical Nursing Program, and earning the title of Licensed Practical Nurse. Brenda joined the ADTS Staff in 2016.



Madison Ceurter is from Arlington, TX. She is a graduate of Booker T. Washington HS for the Performing and Visual Arts. She attended Point Park University on a dance scholarship and then transferred to Harding University to graduate with a BS in Athletic Training. She currently teaches dance at Rockwall HS and is a fitness coach at Body Machine Fitness in Fort Worth. She has been on American Staff since 2017.



Jadyn Champagne graduated from Plano West Senior High where she was a Royale and served as line officer her senior year. She was a member of the 77th line of the Kilgore College Rangerettes. Jadyn is currently attending the University of North Texas where she is pursuing a Kinesiology degree before pursuing a doctor of chiropractic degree. Jadyn joined ADTS staff in 2019.



Cerena Chaney joined the ADTS staff in 2018. Cerena attended Ponca City HS, & was a member of the Ponca City Hi-Steppers Drill Team, and served as captain her senior year. After graduating, Cerena attended Oklahoma City University as a Dance Pedagogy major. Cerena currently lives in Oklahoma City and works as the Office Manager and Dance Instructor at Dance Unlimited, and she also serves as the Pom Coach at Oakdale MS.



Erin Choats graduated from Belton High school where she was a member of the Magic Belles. She furthered her education by attending McLennan Community College & then the University of Mary Hardin Baylor. Erin is the former Head Director at Lake Belton High School. She joined ADTS staff in 2022.





Courtney Claborn began working with ADTS in 1998. She is from McKinney, TX, and was a member of the McKinney HS Marquettes. Courtney graduated from Texas State University with a B.S. in Health Administration. While attending TXST, Courtney was a member of the Texas State Strutters, spending two years as a Lieutenant. Courtney received her teaching certificate, and now enjoys being a 4th grade teacher in Lovejoy ISD.



Somer Clark is from Waxahachie, Texas and attended Waxahachie high school where she served on the Cherokee Charmers drill team as 1st Lieutenant and Captain. She currently attends Prairie View A&M University where she majors in Pre-Nursing and is a former PV Panther Doll! Somer joined ADTS Staff in 2022.



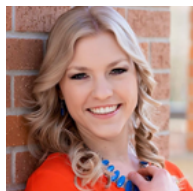
Heather (Johansen) Clark is from Garland, TX, where she was a lifelong member of The Dance FX Studio. Heather attended SFA, where she was a 2x National Champion member of the SFA Dance Teams. After graduating from SFA, she went on to earn her MBA in Healthcare Administration from TWU Heather works in the Corporate Medical Device industry and serves as Pom Staff Captain. Heather has been on staff since 2014.



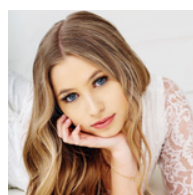
Brittany Claypool has been on ADTS Staff since 2010. Brittany went to Jesuit College Prep and was a member of the Jesuit Rangerettes. She graduated from SMU with a degree in History and was a member of the SMU Pom Squad. She is currently the assistant director of the Waxahachie Cherokee Charmers and director of the JV Maidens.



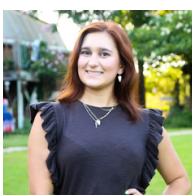
Miranda Clifton is from Huntington, TX. She graduated from HHS in 1998 and continued dancing in college as a Tyler Junior College Apache Belle. After graduation from UT Tyler, she started teaching business classes and became the director of the Huntington HS Highsteppers. She began working for ADTS in 1998.



Kelly Clipper joined the ADTS Staff in 2015. She was a member of the award winning Killeen HS Kangarettes for 4 years and held an officer position for 3. She is a recent graduate of the Dance Program of Sam Houston State University and TWU as a Doctor of Physical Therapy. She is currently a PT treating performing artists.



Mackenzie Cobb is from Mansfield, TX. She attended Mansfield HS, was a member of the Gold Dusters and served as the Junior Lieutenant and Captain. She attended Tarleton State University for one year and was a part of the Texan Stars Dance Team. She is now attending the University of North Texas, where she is studying Dance. She started working for ADTS in 2020.



Emilee Cochran is from Pearland, TX. She graduated from Pearland HS and was a member of the Pearland Prancers. She attended Blinn College, and was a member of the Treasures, before she transferred to Stephen F. Austin State University, where she studied Early Childhood Education and was a member of the SFA Dance Team. Emilee is currently a 1st grade teacher in Pearland ISD. She joined ADTS staff in 2020.





Karlie Cole is from Forney, TX. She spent most of her dance years at the Dance FX studio and graduated from Forney High School. Karlie spent 2 years at Blinn College before transferring & graduating from Sam Houston State University. She is looking forward to beginning her career as a dance teacher. Karlie joined ADTS in 2020.



Staci Cook is from Cedar Hill, TX where she was the Captain of the Highsteppers. She graduated from the UNT with a Bachelors Degree in English and Education, and then went on to earn a Masters Degree in Educational Administration from Texas A&M Commerce. Staci is the current Assistant Director of the McKinney Boyd HS Bailadoras, and is the Head Director of the McKinney Boyd JV Belles. Staci joined ADTS in 1991.



Alyana Cordova is from Clovis, NM. She grew up taking ballet classes and eventually joined school dance where she was a lead officer at Clovis High School for two years. She currently works for New Mexico State University Educational Services. She joined ADTS Staff in 2024.



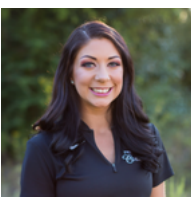
Haley Corrigan is from Killeen, TX and graduated from Killeen HS. Haley was a member of the Kangarette dance team for 4 years and was an officer for 2 years. Haley currently works at The Best Dance Factory in Mineral Wells, is working closely with the MWHS Dance Team, and is teaching at Artistry in Motion Performing Arts Center. She has been on staff with ADTS since 2018.



Maddie Cothrun is from Richardson, TX. She joined the ADTS staff after graduating from JJ Pearce HS. After high school, she went on to dance as a Kilgore College Rangerette for two years. She graduated from Texas A&M University with a Bachelors of Arts in University Studies: Dance Concentration in May 2018. She is currently the assistant director of the JJ Pearce HS Pacesetters.



Abigail Cox is from Wylie, Texas and was a four year member of the Pirate Pacesetters where she served as a junior lieutenant and as senior captain. She was also a member of the competition team at the Kaiser Center for the Performing Arts. She is currently a Texas State Strutter and pursuing a degree in dance education. She joined ADTS in 2024.



Emma Cox is from Rockwall, TX, where she was the Stingerette Captain and a member of the Dance FX Senior Team. She was a member of the 76th line of Kilgore College Rangerettes and Swingsters. She continued her studies at SFA where she was a captain for the SFA Dance Teams. She graduated with a BS in Dance, and since then has been with the Trinity Valley Community College Cardettes. Emma joined ADTS Staff in 2016.



Diane Craig graduated from SFA with her Bachelor's and Master's degrees. She was the Captain of the National Champion SFA Dance Team. Diane has directed for over 20 years. She has had the privilege of taking teams to 8 National Championships, Tournament of Roses Parade, Super Bowl halftimes, and performing at Pearl Harbor. She is currently the head director for the Sachse HS Swingsters.





Holly (Chappell) Crosby is a graduate of Olathe North High School and The University of Kansas. She has directed and choreographed for studio company programs, dance team programs, events, independent projects over the years. She was a featured choreographer for TDEA, Jazz Teacher of the Year, Director of the Year, and guest speaker and artist for several dance workshops. Holly joined the ADTS family in 1996.



Alyson Davis is from Whitehouse, TX and is a recent graduate. She joined ADTS Staff in 2024.



Nevaeh Davis is from Huntington, TX. She graduated in 2020 from Huntington HS, where she was a Huntington Highstepper and served as Captain for two years. She is currently a member of the 81st line of the Kilgore College Rangerettes. Nevaeh joined the ADTS Staff in 2020.



Alexis De Leon is from Pharr, TX, where she graduated from PSJA North Early College High. While attending PSJA North she was a member of the PSJA North Raiderettes and served 2 years as Lieutenant. Alexis is currently attending the University of Texas Rio Grande Valley, where she is a member of the UTRGV Dance Team and is majoring in Kinesiology and minoring in Dance. Alexis has been a part of the ADTS Staff since 2020.



Sara Denman is from Garland, TX where she graduated from Lakeview Centennial HS. She held the positions of Junior Lieutenant and then Captain her senior year on the Yankee Doodle Sweethearts Drill Team. She was also on the senior team at Dance FX Studio. She was Captain of the Kilgore College Rangerettes and attended Texas State University. She joined the ADTS Staff in 2017.



Melissa Diamond is a Houston native and graduate of Aldine HS, where she was a member of the Vaquera Dance Team. Melissa holds a BS in Dance with a minor in Health and Wellness Promotions from Texas State and an MFA in Dance from Sam Houston. She was a dance educator in the Houston and Dallas areas. Melissa currently works in the Corporate Health and Wellness Field. She joined the ADTS Staff in 2001



Rachel Dodson has been with American since 2001 and is the Military Staff Captain. She holds a Bachelor's Degree from UT Dallas, and a Master's Degree from UNT. Rachel works with many teams in the DFW area and has choreographed numerous National Champion routines. She is a librarian at Bluebonnet Elementary in Flower Mound and mom to two boys.



Kelsey Duncan grew up in Austin, TX and graduated from James Bowie HS. She was selected to be on the 73rd line of the Kilgore College Rangerettes and a Swingster. She then attended Baylor University, where she graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Nutrition Sciences. Kelsey is a Drill Team Director for the Trinity Christian Academy Trojanettes. She joined the ADTS Staff in 2019.





Maddie Dunn graduated from Waxahachie High School in 2024. She was a four-year member of the Cherokee Charmers Dance Team and served as Senior 1st Lieutenant. She has been with ADTS since 2024.



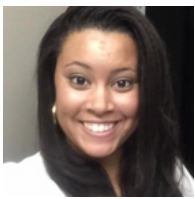
Alicia Duran is from Donna, TX. She attended Donna North HS and was a Spearette, serving as a social officer, lieutenant, and major. She trained at Dancezforce Academy and was a TDEA All-State Dancer. Shas been with ADTS since 2024.



Devin Dusek has been a member of ADTS staff since 2009. She is a graduate of Plano Senior High School. She continued her education by attaining her Bachelors in Psychology with a as well as her Texas Cosmetology license. She returned to Plano Senior High as the Assistant Director and was with the team for 10 years. Currently, Devin is the Assistant Production Manager for CC's Dancewear based in Dallas, Texas.



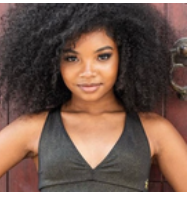
Elisabeth Eckles is from Whitehouse, TX, where she graduated from Whitehouse HS and served as the Captain of the First Ladies. She then became a member of the 80th line of Kilgore College Rangerettes and was Captain. Elisabeth attends Texas A&M University and is majoring in Dance Concentration. She has been with ADTS since 2019.



Ivana Edwards-Evans is from Denton, TX. She was a dance officer for the Silverados at Guyer HS. She attended Prairie View A&M University and was a member of Classic Dance Ensemble while obtaining a B.S. in Kinesiology with a dance minor. Ivana is currently the dance teacher at Waller Junior High, and is the owner of Happy Feet Dance Studio in Waller, Texas. She has been with ADTS since 2016.



Izzy Emmons is from Belton, TX, where she graduated from Belton High School. She was a member of the Belton High School Varsity Magic Belles, plus a member of the Super Elite and Elite 2 teams at Dance Works Plus. Izzy is attending the University of Oklahoma to major in Marketing in the fall of 2021.



Hannah Ethridge graduated from Cedar Hill HS. She was a Cedar Hill Highstepper and was Junior Lieutenant her junior year and Captain her senior year. Hannah was also a part of the Dance FX studio. She currently attends Pepperdine University as a Communication Studies major. Hannah joined the ADTS Staff in 2020.



Allison Fields has been on ADTS Staff since 2010. Allison graduated from Texas Woman's University, where she earned her B.A. in Dance, and she obtained her Master's Degree in Higher Education at the UNT. Allison spent five years in her hometown directing the Poteet HS Belles before starting and becoming the Head Coach of the TWU Pioneer Pride Dance Team. Allison is currently teaching Algebra at Wylie East HS.





Brooke (Hiller) Figg is a graduate of Texas A&M University. She grew up dancing in the Austin area and was a member of the Lake Travis HS Cavalettes. She is an alumna of the Tremaine National Performance Company. She was also a group fitness instructor at Texas A&M where she taught dance cardio and specialty classes. Brooke joined the American staff in 2016.



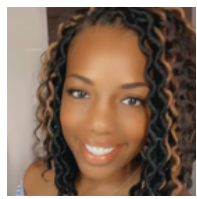
Sarah (Barland) Flisowski is a graduate of Orangefield HS, and was a member of the Sophisticates drill team. She attended Blinn Jr.College and was a member of the Blinn College Treasures. She graduated from SouthWest Texas State University with a degree in Exercise Sports Science, then received her Masters in Physical Education from PVAMU. She is the Spirit Coordinator at Blinn College. Sarah joined ADTS Staff in 2001.



Eryn Flood is from Waco, Texas where she attended Midway HS and was a two-year lieutenant of the Goal Tenders. Eryn then attended Kilgore College where she was a member of the 82nd line of The Kilgore College Rangerettes. Eryn now attends Baylor University and is pursuing a degree in Secondary Social Studies Education. Eryn joined ADTS Staff in 2022.



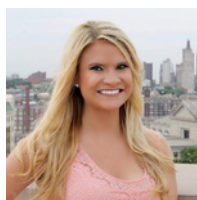
Thelma Flores is from Garland, TX where she attended North Garland HS and was a three-year member of the Mam'selles Drill Team. Thelma graduated from Texas State University. After graduation, she was a member of the Dallas Sidekicks Dancers and a Frisco Fighters Bombshell. Thelma is the former assistant director and country and western director in Richardson ISD. She began working for American in 2016.



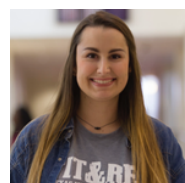
Tasha Franklin graduated from Texas Woman's University with a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Dance. Before Tasha attended TWU, she was a part of the TVCC Cardettes as a Lieutenant. After college she was an Assistant Director for many years at various schools, and is currently the Director of the Irving HS Toy Tigers. Tasha is also freelance choreographer for high school/collegiate dance teams. She joined ADTS in 2006.



Christina (White) Franklin is from Rockwall, TX, and attended Rockwall Heath HS. She was a member of the Highsteppers and held an officer/leadership position for two years. She earned a B.S. in Dance Education from SFA, and was a member of the Repertory Dance Company and Dancers Against Cancer. She currently teaches Technology and coaches the Dance Team at Greiner MS. She joined ADTS in 2018.



Olivia (Hargreaves) Fry is from Olathe, Kansas. She went to Olathe East HS where she was Captain of the Talons Dance Team. She danced on the University of Arkansas Pom Squad for three years before transferring to the University of Kansas Medical Center to pursue her Masters Degree in Occupational Therapy. She has been on ADTS Staff since 2010.



Meg Funderburk is a graduate from Texas Woman's University with a Bachelors in Dance Studies. Over the four years of attending TWU, she had the opportunity to dance for Ting Ting Chang as well as several other professors in the dance department. Before TWU, she served two years as an officer of the Corsicana HS Calicos. She has worked for American since 2013.





Abrielle Gallini is from Georgetown, TX. She graduated from East View High school and was a member of the Sparklers Dance team, serving as Captain. She is currently a student at UT. She joined ADTS staff in 2024.



Ally Galitz graduated from Sachse HS, where she was a member of the Swingsters and served as Captain her senior year. She was also a part of The Dance FX company for 6 years. Ally attended Sam Houston State University, where she was a member of the Orange Pride Dance Team studying English and Secondary Education. Ally currently works at her Alma Mater as the Junior Varsity Drill Team Director and the head dance teacher. Ally currently dances with the Texas Legends. She joined ADTS staff in 2019.



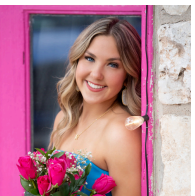
Reagan Garcia is from Baytown, TX. She was a member of the Lee HS Celebrities for four years where she held the officer positions of Head Spirit, Captain, and Colonel. She continued her dance career by working at a studio as well as teaching private lessons and choreography. She is currently employed for Harris County Sheriff's Office as a Detention Officer. She joined ADTS Staff in 2018.



Vianey Garza is from Pharr, TX and attended PSJA North HS. Vianey was a PSJA North Raiderette, serving as a freshman Sergeant, sophomore officer, and a junior and senior Lieutenant. After high school, she became a CBA Silverado dancer and received a B.S. in Communication Disorders from Texas State University. Vianey is currently an elementary special education teacher and has been on ADTS staff since 2007.



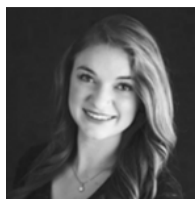
Alexa Garza is from Garland, TX where she graduated from Naaman Forest High School & served as 1st Lieutenant of the Sterling Stars for two years. Alexa went on to become a member of the 74th Line Kilgore College Rangerettes and then graduated from Stephen F. Austin State University with a Bachelor of Science Degree. Alexa has been with ADTS since 2014. She is currently teaching at the Centre for Dance.



Rylie Gawryszewski is from Killeen Texas and attended Ellison High school. She was a four year member of the Ellison Emeralds and served as an officer for three years. Outside of school she was a part of Dance Works Plus Studio for 11 years. She is currently attending Texas A&M University as a Public Health major and hopes to one day become an Orthodontist! Rylie joined ADTS in 2023.



Julianna (Cook) Gilliam is from McKinney, TX, where she graduated from McKinney Boyd HS and was a member of the McKinney Boyd Bailadoras. Julianna was then part of the 59th Line of the Trinity Valley Community College Cardettes, and served as Freshmen Representative and Lieutenant. She graduated from Texas A&M University and is a 1st grade teacher at Glen Rose Elementary. Julianna joined ADTS in 2019.



Haley (Boatright) Goettsch is a graduate of East View High School in Georgetown. She was a 4 year members of the Sparklers, and served as captain her senior year. She then graduated from Hardin Simmons University in Abilene, TX where she served as captain of the HSU Spurs Dance Team. Haley has been on ADTS Staff since 2015.





Angie (Garcia) Goss is from Baytown, Texas. She graduated from Robert E. Lee HS, where she was top officer on the drill team for two years. She graduated from Sam Houston State University with a Bachelor's Degree in Dance. Angie was a member of the SHSU Orange Pride Dance Team from 2015 to 2016. She is currently teaching dance in North Carolina. She has been a proud ADTS staff member since 2015.



Cynthia Granados is from Donna, TX. She joined ADTS staff in 2024.



Laura Guidry graduated from Jacksonville HS. She was a member of the Cherokee Charmers and served as Junior Lieutenant and Captain. After high school, she was a member of the Kilgore College Rangerettes 66th Line, then graduated from SFA with a BA in History and minor in Dance. She is currently the director of the Jacksonville HS Cherokee Charmers. Laura has been on ADTS staff since 2011.



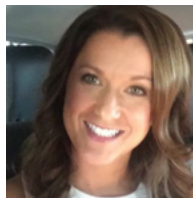
Katey Guinn is from Dallas, TX. She is a graduate of Booker T. Washington HS for the Performing and Visual Arts and then attended Studio School at Los Angeles Center Studios for a BFA in Commercial Dance. Katey is a freelance choreographer, has trained with many renowned choreographers, and has been featured in several music videos. She is currently the assistant director at Cedar Hill HS. She joined ADTS Staff in 2015.



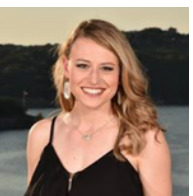
Victoria Hackney is from Missouri City, TX where she graduated from Elkins HS. She served as the Captain of the Elkins Elite Dance Team for 2 years. Victoria graduated from Texas Tech University with a BA in Dance and a minor in secondary education. She is currently the dance director at H.F. Stevens MS and the Showcase Dance Team in Fort Worth, Texas. Victoria joined the ADTS staff in 2017.



Jazmine Hampton is from North Richland Hills, TX where she was a Dixie Belle and officer. She danced with the MCC Dance Company and with the University of Texas at Arlington Dance Team. Jazmine earned a B.S. in Psychology with a minor in Biology and is currently working within schools throughout the metroplex teaching social and emotional learning skills through dance. She joined ADTS staff in 2016.

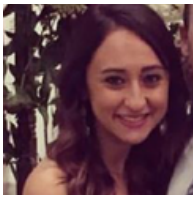


Kristen (Jones) Hankins is originally from Mineola, TX. She attended Stephen F. Austin State University, where she was a member of the dance team. She served as the Director of Spirit and Traditions at Baylor University. In previous years, she has coached at Wayland Baptist University, McLennan Community College, and Stephen F. Austin. She started working for ADTS in 2003.



Ashley (Bonner) Hardy is from Austin, TX where she attended Lake Travis HS. Following high school, she was a member of the Kilgore College Rangerettes then earned her degree in Dance Education from Texas State University. Ashley has been on ADTS Staff since 2012.





Morgan Harley is from North Richland Hills, TX. She attended Richland HS and was captain of the Dixie Belles. She graduated from Baylor University with a Master of Taxation. Morgan is currently a Senior Tax Associate for PricewaterhouseCoopers in Dallas. She started working for ADTS in 2009.



Christy Hawkins is from Killeen, TX. She went to Ellison High School and was a member of the Ellison Emeralds. She is an alumni of the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor and is the director of the UMHB Sader Belle Dance team. She also teaches dance at Ellison High School. She has been on staff at ADTS since 2011.



Ekena Hawkins is from Arlington, TX. She was an officer on the Juan Seguin HS Starline Dance Team, and performed with jazz & hip hop dance crews throughout college. She received her Degree in English from UNT, and her M. Ed in Educational Technology & Leadership from Lamar University. She is currently the director of the Timberview Celebrities Drill Team and PACK Dance Department. She joined the ADTS Staff in 2015.



Gabby Hawkins is from Killeen, TX. She graduated from Ellison HS, where she was a four-year member of the award-winning Emeralds Dance Team, and served as Lieutenant her junior year and Captain her senior year. She graduated from Texas A&M University with a Bachelor of Science in Tourism, with minors in Sports Management and Communications. She has been on ADTS Staff since 2013.



Carly Heard is from Marshall, TX, where she was a part of the Marshall Mavette Drill Team for 3 years, serving as Lieutenant her junior year and Captain her senior year. She is currently pursuing her BFA in Dance at Sam Houston State with a minor in Kinesiology. She joined the ADTS Staff in 2020.



Haley Belle Hearron is from Blanchard, LA. She graduated from Northwood HS, where she was a part of the Falcon Line. She now attends the University of Louisiana at Monroe and is a part of the ULM Hawklane. Haley Belle is majoring in Elementary Education with a minor in Dance, and is currently the dance coach for Sterlington HS. Haley Belle has been an ADTS Staff member since 2020.



Christina Hedding's teaching resume spans over 30 years. She studied dance at Brookhaven College and the University of Texas at Austin. Her love of dance and instilling that passion in others has led her to where she is today, co-owner/director of Footlights Dance Studio in Flower Mound, Texas. Christina has worked for American since 1990. She and her family live in Flower Mound with their two cats and two dogs!



Diana Henderson is from Corpus Christi, TX. She graduated from Richard King HS and was a member of the Royalties dance team. Diana was a Texas State Strutter and is a graduate of Texas State University. Diana retired after 34 years as a dance educator in Cypress-Fairbanks ISD. Diana joined the ADTS Staff in 2015.





Alice Henrichsen is from Orangefield, TX. She attended Orangefield HS and was a 4-year member of the Sophisticats. She continued dancing at Blinn College as a member of the Blinn College Treasures and finished her Bachelors of Science in Kinesiology at the University of Texas at Austin. She currently teaches dance, as well as directs the Lee HS Celebrities and JV Belles dance teams. Alice has been with ADTS since 1999.



Holly Hess grew up in Irving, TX. She graduated from Mac Arthur High School, attended North Lake College where she was a member of the dance team as well as a company dancer. She graduated from the UNT with a degree in Education/English. She is the Director of the Richardson High School Desperados Country Western Dance team and Assistant Director of the Eaglettes. She joined ADTS staff in 2023.



Heather Hill is from Marshall, TX where she attended Marshall HS and was on the Mavette Drill Team for 3 years, serving as Lieutenant her junior year and Captain her senior year. She attended the University of Texas at Austin. After graduation, she moved home and began her teaching career at Marshall HS where she is the director of the Mavettes. She began working for ADTS in 2017.



Macy Hill is from Waxahachie, Texas, where she attended Waxahachie HS and was a junior lieutenant and then senior captain. After high school, she went to Tyler Junior College where she was an Apache Belle for 2 years. She is a graduate of the nursing program at the University of Mary Hardin Baylor, and new ICU nurse at Mansfield Methodist. She has been with ADTS since 2014.



Rachel Hill is a graduate of Belton HS and was a Magic Belle. She has been the Director of the Belton HS Magic Belles since 2009. Rachel received an English degree from the UMHB and was a member of the Sader Belles Dance Team. Rachel has been a member of the ADTS Staff since 2013.



Marla Hiller is from Austin, Texas where she attended McCallum HS. She holds a Bachelor of Science in Education at the University of Texas in Austin with Certifications in Secondary Physical Education & English and a Dance Certification from Texas State University. She was the dance team director/dance instructor at Anderson HS in Austin for 10 years. She joined the American staff in 2016.



Christina Hinchey began working with ADTS in 2004. Originally from Durant, OK, she spent 3 seasons with the Oklahoma Shakespearean Festival repertory theatre company. Christina graduated from SOSU with a BA in Public Relations and Theatre Management and Promotion. She has taught Dance and Directed Drill teams in the DFW area for over 13 years and is currently the director of the Richardson HS Eaglettes.



Haley Hockenberry is from Nacogdoches, TX. She graduated from Nacogdoches HS where she served as Captain of the Dragonettes. Haley was a member of the 78th line of the Kilgore College Rangerettes. She graduated from the University of Southern California with a degree in Biochemistry and now attends Texas A&M to pursuing a masters in Medical Sciences. Haley joined ADTS in 2017.





Jennifer Hodge obtained a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Dance Education and a Bachelor of Science Degree in Exercise Sports Science from Texas State University, where she was a member of the “Southwest Texas Strutters” college dance team. She is now a consultant and choreographer for studios, high schools, colleges and professional dance teams across the United States. Jennifer has worked for ADTS since the 2000s.



Natasha (Newbrough) Holvey was the Captain of Rowlett HS Rhythmettes and Silver Rhythm Dancers, and then went on to be Dallas Mavericks Dancer. Natasha has a B.S. in Industrial Engineering from the University of Texas in Arlington and a Master of Science in Systems Engineering from Southern Methodist University. Natasha has worked for ADTS since 2007 and is currently a lead corporate strategist at AT&T.



Amy Huff is from Irving, TX and graduated from MacArthur HS. She was a member of the Cardettes drill team and served as Captain. She graduated from TCU and was a TCU Showgirl. before earning her BA in History and received her teaching certification in dance education. She now teaches Professional Communication and is the advisor for the Peer Assistance and Leadership organization. Amy has been on ADTS staff since 2003.



April Hunt is originally from Victoria, TX where she is a graduate from Victoria HS. She is a Cum Laude graduate of Texas State University with a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Dance. She teaches dance and is the dance team director at Morton Ranch HS in Katy ISD. April has been on ADTS Staff since 1998.



Dana Hunt was born in Omaha, Nebraska. She is a graduate of Hastings High School and The University of Kansas. She is a freelance dance instructor, adjudicator and choreographer. She is so proud to have been a part of the ADTS family since 2000!



Lori Hutson has taught for over 20 years, all over the United States. She has taught Dance, Athletics, PE, and Health at the middle and high school levels. While teaching, she enjoyed also serving as director & assistant director of various dance and cheer teams, her campus Athletic Director, and as Austin ISD Dance Department Liaison. She has been on ADTS Staff since 2014.



Yoanna (Cantu) Isas resides in Mont Belvieu, TX. She attended Lee HS, was on the Celebrities dance team, and served as Colonel. Yoanna attended Blinn College, was on the Treasures Dance team, and served as co-captain. She also danced at SFA, where she received her Bachelor’s in Kinesiology and is currently the Assistant Director for the Sterling HS Stars and Sapphires. Yoanna has been an ADTS Staff member since 2007.



Natalie Jecmenek graduated from Rockwall Heath High School, where she was a member and officer a the Highsteppers as well as a member of the Mpact Dance Company. Natalie attended Sam Houston State University as an Education major and Dance minor, dancing on Orange Pride, before graduating in December of 2021. She is now an assistant director in Frisco ISD. She has been on the ADTS Staff since 2017.





Keilin Jeter is originally from Tyler, TX. She graduated from Whitehouse HS where she served as 1st Lt. and Captain of the First Ladies. Keilin was a part of the World Famous Kilgore College Rangerettes. Keilin graduated from Texas A&M University with a Bachelor of Science in Recreation, Parks and Tourism Sciences and was a member of the Aggie Dance Team. She started working for ADTS in 2015.



Jenna Judkins is from San Marcos, TX. She graduated from San Marcos HS and was on the Diamond Line Dance Team. She attended Kilgore College as a member of the 77th line of Rangerettes. She transferred to Texas State University & was a member of the Texas State Strutters. She completed her Bachelor's & Master's of Accountancy, and works for an accounting firm in San Antonio. Jenna began working for ADTS in 2017.



Riley Kimble is from Baytown, TX, where she attended Sterling High School. She was a member of the Sterling Stars drill team for four years, and was a two year officer, serving as Colonel her senior year. Riley currently attends Texas State University and is majoring in Psychology. She has been a member of the ADTS Staff since 2021.



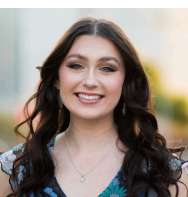
Kailey Kinkade from Corsicana Texas where she graduated from Corsicana High school. She was a member of the Calicos where she served as a Junior Lieutenant and then Captain her senior year. Kailey is currently attending Stephen F. Austin where she will be majoring in nursing and she is a member of the SFA dance team. Kailey joined staff in 2023.



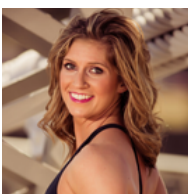
Carolyn S. Lang, from Carrollton, TX, is a former R.L. Turner HS Lionette Lieutenant, Tyler Junior College Apache Belle Dance Captain, and Texas Tech Pom Squad Captain. She danced professionally as a member of the Kansas City Wizard Girls (MLS), Kansas City Brigade Girls (AFL), and Kansas City Chiefs Cheerleaders (NFL). Carolyn is the owner of A Body In Motion The Studio. She has worked for ADTS since 1991.



Brittany Lassiter is from Corsicana, TX where she was a member of the Calicos Dance Team serving as a Lieutenant her junior and senior years. She then danced at McLennan Community College. Brittany served as the Assistant Director to the Calicos Dance Team, before returning to take on the Director position where she still currently serves. Brittany has been a member of the American Staff since 2005.



Julia Lederman is from Mansfield, Texas where she graduated from Mansfield High School. She was a four year member of the Gold Duster Drill team where she served as Captain her senior year. Julia current attends Stephen F. Austin State University where she majors in Creative Writing and double minors in Literature and Film Studies and is a second year member of the SFA Dance Team. Julia joined ADTS staff in 2022.

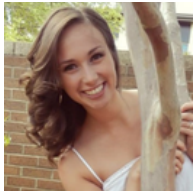


Chrissy (Clay) Lenart has been on American Staff since 2010. She is a former member of the McLennan Community College Dance Team and was a member of the Oklahoma University Pom Squad. She holds a Bachelors Degree in Arts and Sciences. She served as the assistant director at MCC, the Head Coach of UTSA Pom, and has now opened her own studio.





Madeleine Lindholm is from Richardson, TX. She was a line member and top officer for her high school drill teams in Plano ISD. Following graduation from Plano Senior High, Madeleine went on to become a Kilgore College Rangerette and Swingster. She attended Texas State University and was a member of the Strutters. She joined the ADTS Staff in 2016.



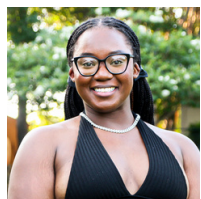
Lauren (Cabrer) Longoria is from Pharr, TX. She graduated from PSJA North HS and was Captain of the Raiderettes. She was a member of the 73rd line of the World Famous Kilgore College Rangerettes. Lauren then graduated from the University of Texas Rio Grande Valley with a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Dance. She has been on ADTS Staff since 2011.



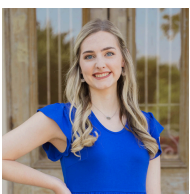
Klyn Lopez is from Houston, TX. She went to Nimitz High School and was a member of the Starboard Angels, and served as an officer for four years. Klyn is currently pursuing a degree in dance at the University of Houston, and a minor in english. Klyn currently works for her alma mater as a substitute teacher and pre-professional assistant director & also teaches ballet at The Dance Studio. She joined ADTS in 2022.



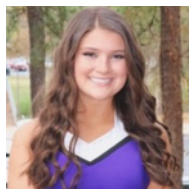
Caroline (Roberts) Luckau is from Waxahachie, TX where she attended Waxahachie HS and was a four-year member of the Cherokee Charmers. She moved on to Texas State University where she graduated with her BFA in Dance Education. Caroline is currently the director at Arlington HS. Caroline has been on the American Staff since 2012.



Nyveohn Lundy is from Killeen, TX, and graduated from Killeen HS and was colonel for two years. She was a member of the Orange Pride Dance Team at Sam Houston and graduated with a B.S in psychology. She is currently in her masters program in clinical mental health at Northcentral University and works as a mental health specialist for kids. Nyve started with ADTS in 2019.



Lauren Lyle is from Waxahachie, TX. She was a WHS Cherokee Charmer and served as 1st Lieutenant. In college, she danced with the SHSU Orange Pride Dance Team before transferring to DBU, where she danced with the Patriettes. She served as the graduate assistant for the DBU Patriettes and is currently the Assistant Director at Midlothian Heritage HS. She joined the ADTS staff in 2018.



Kaeli Magill is from Mansfield, TX. She attended Mansfield High School where she was a four year member and two year officer of the Gold Dusters. She is currently studying Political Science at Stephen F. Austin State University and is on the SFA Dance Team. She started working for ADTS in 2020.



Trudy Mahnich is from Richardson, TX, where she attended Richardson HS. During high school, she was a 2-year member of the Eaglettes, serving as Lieutenant her senior year. She is continuing her education at the University of North Texas where she is majoring in Kinesiology. She has been on ADTS staff since 2019.





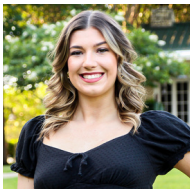
Norma Marquardt attended Deer Park HS before graduating from Reagan HS. She attended the University of Dallas where she received her BA in Political Philosophy, before receiving her Masters at Texas Wesleyan. Norma served as the Director of the Lady Panther Dance Team at Pflugerville HS for ten years, and developed the district's first high school dance program. She joined the ADTS staff in 1999.



Ida "Monique" (Rocha) Martin, is originally from Del Rio, TX. She attended Texas Woman's University where she received her BFA in Dance, as well as her Masters. Monique served as an educator in many capacities and is currently the Leadership Academy Coordinator at Bryan Adams HS Leadership Academy. Monique has been on the American Staff since 2006.



Mattie Mathis is from Killeen, TX and is a graduate of Killeen High School. She was a four-year member of the award-winning Kangarettes. She attended Stephen F. Austin State University where she was on the SFA Dance Team under the direction of T.J Maple. Mattie started working for ADTS in 2016.



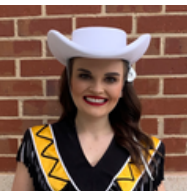
Shelby McFall attended Mansfield High School and was Junior Lieutenant and 1st Lieutenant of the Gold Dusters. She was on the 79th Line of the Kilgore College Rangerettes. Shelby attended UNT where she was a three year member of the North Texas Dancers. She majored in Dance and is currently the Head Director at Dieterich and Frank Seale Middle School. Shelby has been on ADTS staff since 2019.



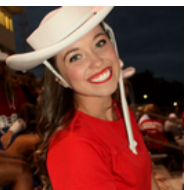
Mila McQueen has been on ADTS Staff since 1999. She found her love of drill team while attending Carter HS where she was a Calico and captain her senior year. Mila has a B.F.A. in Dance from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro where she was on the dance team. She has been with Cedar Hill ISD since 2008 as head of the dance department and director of the award-winning Highsteppers.



Tracy Melendez is originally from Rowlett, TX, and graduated from Lakeview Centennial HS. She is a 1987 graduate of Texas Tech University, and holds a B.S. in Education. She is certified in Dance, History and Physical Education. Tracy taught dance for over 30 years, and was the director of the East View Sparklers for 15 years before retiring. She has been a staff member of ADTS since 1983.



Lily Miller graduated from Midlothian Heritage HS. She was a charter member of the Heritage Belles, where she served in various leadership positions, including 1st Lieutenant her senior year. Lily attends Tyler Junior College, where she is a part of the Apache Belles 74th line and is majoring in Dance. She joined the ADTS staff in 2019.

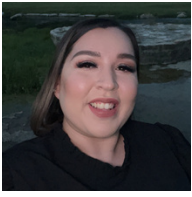


Maddie Minser joined the ADTS Staff in 2016. She graduated from Whitehouse HS. She was a member of the World Famous Rangerettes at Kilgore College. She recently graduated from Texas A&M University with a degree in Political Science, and currently works for the Tyler Police Department.





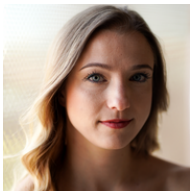
Jaime Minyard is a former drill team director who served in GCCISD for 9 years. She graduated from Texas A&M University with a bachelors in Sports Management. She is currently a small business owner and digital marketing specialist. Jaime joined ADTS staff in 2018.



Consuelo Mireles is from Alamo, TX where she graduated from PSJA Memorial Early College High. While attending PSJA Memorial she was a 4 year member of the PSJA Memorial Dazzlers and held an officer position. Consuelo graduated from The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley and majored in B.A. in Dance (Teacher Certification). She is a Dance educator at Weslaco ISD. She joined ADTS in 2022.



Mariah Mueller is from Killeen, Texas. She is a graduate of Killeen HS where was a 4-year member a 3-year officer with the Kangarettes. She graduated from Louisiana State University with a degree in dance and theater. She now teaches theatre at her alma mater, Killeen HS. She has been with ADTS since 2012.



Kimberly (Fulmer) Mullins graduated from Wakeland HS. Kimberly was a member of the Wakeland HS Legacy Line, where she served as Lieutenant her senior year. Kimberly holds a BFA in Contemporary Dance from the University of North Carolina School of the Arts. She is currently working on a MFA in Dance through the University of Utah. Kimberly joined the ADTS Staff in 2011.



Christina (Vickers) Neal is from Kerrville, TX where she attended Tivy HS. She was a member of the Tivy Golden Girls and held an officer position for two years. She graduated Cum Laude from Stephen F. Austin State University with a major in Dance Education and minor in Communications. Christina is the former Head Dance and Spirit Director at Thomas Jefferson HS. She joined ADTS in 2017.



Kayla Norman is from Bridge City, TX where she was the Captain of the Strutters Drill Team. After high school she was a Kilgore College Rangerette and Swingster. Once she left Kilgore, she attended TWU where she obtained a Bachelor's degree in Dance. She is currently the Director of the Whitehouse High School First Ladies Drill Team, where she has been for the past 12 years. She started working for ADTS in 2005.



Kelly Norman is from Dallas, Texas and is the former captain of her high school drill team. She has been on the ADTS staff since 1990. She has a BFA in Dance from Texas Women's University and has been teaching dance for over 25 years. Kelly is the director of the Bishop Dunne HS Falconettes Dance Team and is the dance company director at the DREAM Dance Conservatory.



Nicole Numa attended Sam Houston HS in Arlington, TX and was a member of the Tex-Anne's drill team, serving as Captain. Nicole attended Ranger College before graduating from the University of Memphis. She holds an M.B.A. from the University of Phoenix and a M.Ed. from the University of Texas at Arlington. Nicole is currently the director of the North Garland HS Mam'selles and has been on staff since 2007.





Haley (Spencer) Ochoa is from Temple, TX, where she is a graduate of Temple HS. She continued her education and at Kilgore College where she was a member of the 75th line of the Rangerettes. She is a graduate of the University of Oklahoma with a degree in Health and Exercise Sciences. She is continuing her education to pursue a career in occupational therapy. She began working for ADTS in 2016.



Nicole Ortmeier, a Richardson native, danced at Talent 'N More Dance Centre and as a Bandolera at Berkner HS. In 2009, during her freshman year at Baylor University, Nicole joined the ADTS contest staff family. She is now a makeup artist and spray tan technician, working with wedding parties, on senior portraits, and styled shoots.



Kailey Padierna is from Victoria, TX. She went to St. Joseph High School and was a four year member of the Starlighters Dance/Drill Team, serving as captain. Kailey graduated from SFA with a B.S. in Dance Education and was a part of the SFA Dance Team and Repertory Dance Company. She is now the Assistant Director of the Golden Sabers Dance/Drill Team at Victoria East High School. Kailey joined ADTS Staff in 2020.



Bailey Parker is from Harker Heights, TX. She graduated from Ellison HS where she was a member of the Emeralds for four years. During her time on the team, she served as Lieutenant, Captain, and Colonel. She attends Texas A&M University where she is studying Community Health and Business. Bailey joined ADTS in 2021.



Antonia Parrish-Brooks is from Killeen, TX. She is a graduate of Killeen HS where she was a four year member of the Kangarettes. Antonia graduated from Texas State with a BFA in Dance Education. She is currently the former director of the Copperas Cove HS Copperettes & is now the Kangarette Director. She joined ADTS in 2018.



Angela Pina started working for ADTS in 1997. She has been a spirit director and dance teacher for over 20 years. She currently works at Warren HS in Northside ISD in San Antonio, TX where she serves as the Pep Squad Director, Fine Arts Dance Teacher, and Spirit Coordinator.

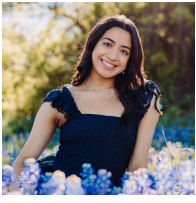


Alissa Powell is from Rockwall, TX. She served as an officer on the Highsteppers at Rockwall-Heath HS. She graduated from Stephen F. Austin State University with a degree in dance performance and choreography. Currently, Alissa is the dance teacher and drill team director at Liberty Hill MS in Liberty Hill, TX. Alissa joined the ADTS staff in 2018.



Nikki Prosser was part of the 59th line of the Kilgore College Rangerettes before attending Texas State. She earned her Masters Degree from Lamar University while performing as a Lady Wrangler for an Austin-area arena football team. Nikki is certified in Dance, P.E., and Professional Communication, and served as the Director of the Georgetown HS Georgettes for 12 years. Nikki has been a staff member since 2013.





Ava Ramirez graduated from Mansfield High School and began working for ADTS in 2024. She was a member of the Gold Dusters Dance Team and served as Sophomore Lieutenant as well as Junior and Senior Captain. She is continuing her education at OSU and is currently a member of the OSU Pom squad.



Sarah (Noble) Reddout graduated from Plano Senior High School where she served as a senior officer for the Planoettes. She then attended Baylor University where she studied elementary education. After graduating, she became a Kindergarten teacher in Plano ISD. When she's not working with 5 and 6 year olds, she enjoys choreographing for and working with local drill teams. She has been on ADTS Staff since 2010.



Katie Reeves is from Austin, TX and was a member of the 69th Line of Kilgore College Rangerettes and Swingsters, before earning a Bachelors in Dance Education from SFA. Katie's career started at Vandegrift HS, where she was the assistant director of the Legacies, before being selected to open Tom Glenn HS. She now directs the dance program at McAnally MS and the JV team at Aledo HS. Katie joined ADTS in 2010.



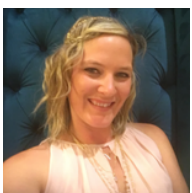
Mandy Reeves is from Mesquite, TX where she graduated from Poteet HS and was the Captain of the Belles. She continued dancing as an Apache Belle at Tyler Junior College. She then went on and received her Bachelor's degree from the University of North Texas. She is currently the 504 Coordinator at Shepton HS. Mandy has been on the ADTS Staff since 1995.



Samiya Regains is from Detroit, MI. She attended Cedar Hill High School and served as captain for the Cedar Hill Highsteppers before graduating. She currently attends Prairie View A & M University working towards a degree in Nursing. Samiya joined ADTS Staff in 2022.



Tiffany Richey is originally from Mt. Pleasant, TX where she was an officer for the Mt. Pleasant HS Tiger Dolls. She graduated from Texas A&M University where she was a member of the Dance Arts Society while she obtained her BS in Psychology with a minor in Dance. Tiffany started her directing career at Rowlett HS and currently the director of the Heritage Belles in Midlothian, TX. She has been on staff since 2007.



Julia Rick grew up in Duncanville, TX where she was a senior lieutenant of the Duncanville HS High Hats. She graduated from the University of North Texas with a BA in Dance and a minor in Anthropology. She has spent the last decade sharing her love of dance through teaching in numerous studios and schools around the DFW Metroplex. She has been on staff since 2012.



Savanna (Fredrickson) Robinson is from Rowlett TX. She went to Sachse HS and was Captain of the Swingsters. She was then a World Famous Kilgore College Rangerette on the 74th line. She graduated from SFA and was a member of the SFA Dance Team. Savanna is currently a dance instructor at Rockwall Dance Academy and assistant director at Rowlett HS. She has been on ADTS Staff since 2013.





Carolynn Rose grew up in Longview, Tx. She attended Hallsville High School and was the Co Captain for the Bobcat Belles. She attended Kilgore College and was a member of the 79th Line of Rangerettes, as well as the Swingsters and Industry Dance Company. She then graduated from Sam Houston State University with a dance degree. She is currently teaching at “The Dance Barre,” near Houston. Carolynn joined ADTS in 2023.



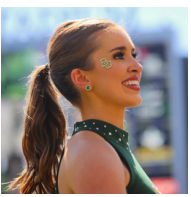
Jan Sanders is from Houston, TX, where she was a charter member of the Northbrook HS Bandoleras. She graduated from the University of Houston with a Degree in Dance, English, Health and Physical Education. She went on to earn a Master’s Degree in Education Administration from Lamar University. Jan was the Director of the CyFair HS Brigade for 32 years. She retired in 2016 and has proudly been on staff for ADTS since.



Amber Santori attended Summit HS, where she was a member of the Sapphires Drill Team, serving as Captain her senior year. Amber graduated from the UNT with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Journalism News after dancing four seasons as a North Texas Dancer. She has been an assistant director in the DFW area and was a member of the Allen Americans Ice Angels. Amber has been an ADTS Staff member since 2020.



Natalie (English) Scheller is a graduate of Wakeland HS and former Captain of the Legacy Line Drill Team. She attended the University of Oklahoma where she earned a Bachelor's Degree in Social Studies Education. She now teaches 11th grade US History and 12th grade Government at Plano Senior High and is the former assistant director for the Planoettes. She has been part of the ADTS Staff since 2011.



Rachel Schiller is from Belton, TX and graduated from Belton HS. She was a Magic Belle for four years, and served as Junior Lieutenant and 1st lieutenant. She is attending Baylor University, and is majoring in Communication Sciences and Disorders with hopes of becoming a speech therapist. She was a two year member of the Baylor Songleader Dance Team. Rachel joined ADTS staff in 2021.



Deidre Scoggins is a graduate of Harlingen High school where she was a member of the Cardettes for two years. She attended the University of Texas at Brownsville, studying Mathematics, and then Eastern New Mexico University, studying Communications Disorders. She served as the director for her alma mater from 2000-2008. Deidre joined ADTS Staff in 2005.



Samantha (DeRossi) Selby is a native of Temple, TX. She went to Temple HS where she was a member of the THS Kittens and served as Captain her senior year. From there, she went to Texas State University where she earned her Bachelor’s in Fine Arts with an emphasis in Dance. She is the former director of the UMHB Sader Belles and the Copperas Cove HS Copperettes. She joined the American staff in 2008.



Summer Simmons is a graduate of Denison HS and was a member of the Stingerettes, serving as Captain her senior year. She graduated from TCU and was a member of the TCU Showgirls. Summer was the director of the Sherman HS Highsteppers before being hired at Plano East Senior High. Summer served as the assistant director of the Golden Girls for 3 years and the cheer coach for 15 years. She joined the ADTS Staff in 2000.





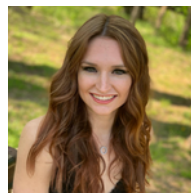
Ashley Singley is from Whitehouse, Texas. She was a member of the Whitehouse First Ladies Drill Team, where she served as Captain. She was a World Famous Kilgore College Rangerette on the 83rd line, and served as the freshman sergeant, before transferring to Texas A&M to pursue a degree in Sport Management. Ashley is currently a dance instructor at Extreme Performing Arts and joined the ADTS staff in 2022.



Kara (Brown) Solis is from Rowlett, TX. She graduated from Lakeview Centennial HS and was a Sweetheart Officer. Kara began her career with American in the early 1980's. She was a former Kilgore College Rangerette and member of the Stephen F. Austin State University Dance Company. She served as the director of the Pine Tree HS Pirate Precision Dance Team, Corsicana HS Calicos, and South Garland HS Southern Belles.



Lauren Stacy is from Mansfield, TX. She attended Mansfield HS where she was a four year member and a three year officer of the Gold Dusters. She currently attends Tarleton State University where she is studying kinesiology and is part of the Texan Stars Dance Team. She started working for ADTS in 2021.



Reagan (Stewart) Smith graduated from Waxahachie HS, where she was a Cherokee Charmer and served as both Junior and Senior Lieutenant. Reagan was a North Texas Dancer at UNT, and graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Biomedical Engineering with a concentration in bioinstrumentation. Reagan is pursuing her Masters in Biomedical Engineering at Cornell University. Reagan joined ADTS in 2017.



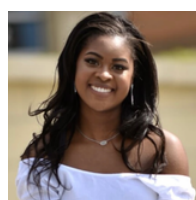
Libby (Power) Stronz graduated from Waxahachie HS where she served the Cherokee Charmers as an officer for two years. She went on to Kilgore College and was a Rangerette before transferring to Texas Woman's University, where she received her Bachelor of Science in Mathematics. Libby is currently teaching in Midlothian and is the director of the Walnut Grove Wildcat Dancers. She has been with ADTS since 2012.



Morgan (Ericson) Swenson has been on ADTS Staff since 2013. She is a graduate of Plano Senior High where she was Captain of the Planoettes. She graduated from Brigham Young University with a Bachelor's Degree in Exercise Science, and then attended graduate school at Texas Women's University for a Master's Degree in Occupational Therapy.



Candi Taylor-Waugh is originally from Irving, TX, where she graduated from Irving HS and then attended Texas Christian University. She currently teaches at Dance Machines Dance Studio. Candi has been on ADTS Staff since 2003.

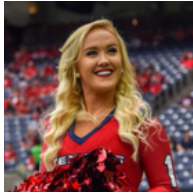


Carolyn Thompson is from Killeen, TX. She graduated from Killeen HS and was a member of the Kangarettes where she served as Colonel her senior year. Carolyn graduated with a BS in Social Work and has a Master's degree in Social Work with a concentration in mental health and substance abuse. She is a former member of the Texas Legends Dance Team. Carolyn started working for American in 2014.





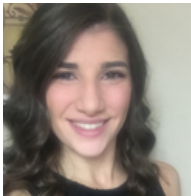
Katie (Seesselberg) Thompson is from Cedar Park, TX, and was a member of the Cedar Park HS Dance Team, serving as Captain her senior year. After high school, she became a member of the 74th line of the Kilgore College Rangerettes before graduating from UT Austin with a degree in Communications. Katie is the assistant director of the Cedar Park HS Dance Team and has been on ADTS staff since 2015.



Olivia Thompson is from Salt Lake City, Utah, where she attended Salt Lake School for the Performing Arts. She then got to live her dream as a Kilgore College Rangerette on the 74th line. She then attended Stephen F. Austin State University where she received her BS in Dance. She is the current Director of the Klein Collins Tiger Belles and is a former Texans Cheerleader. She joined ADTS Staff in 2015.



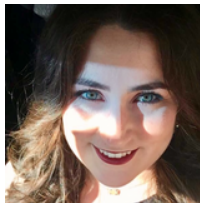
Amy Tidwell is from Corsicana, TX, and was Captain of the Corsicana HS drill team. Amy attended Kilgore College where she was a member of the Rangerettes. She then attended TWU where she earned a B.A. in Dance with a Minor in Business Administration. Amy was a drill team director for many years but now is the Main Street Tourism Director for the City of Corsicana. She's been on ADTS Staff since 2005.



Molly (Hodgden) Sykes danced on the McLennan Community College Dance Company and the Oklahoma City University Pom Squad. Molly received her bachelor's in Math Education from OCU, and is currently working at Southmoore HS as a math teacher. She is also the JV coach for the Southmoore Pom Squad. Molly has been an ADTS Staff member since 2017.



Payton (Russell) Trowbridge is from Sanger, TX. She attended East View HS in Georgetown and was on the Sparklers Drill Team for four years. Payton graduated from East View HS and then went on to pursue studies to become a dental hygienist. She became a member of the ADTS Staff in 2019.



Alyssa (Garza) Trejo is from Pharr, TX and attended PSJA North HS. Alyssa was a member of the 70th Line of Kilgore College Rangerettes. She then attended UT Austin, where she was a member of Texas Pom and graduated with her B.S. in Communication Sciences and Disorders. She earned her Master's degree, and is a Speech Language Pathologist for PSJA ISD. Alyssa has been on ADTS Staff since 2009.



Kandace Tuttle is from Richland Hills, TX, where she was a Dixie Belle and officer for three years. She was a member of the 78th line of the Kilgore College Rangerettes and Swingsters. She transferred to TWU and graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Communication Sciences and Disorders. Kandace is currently a Speech Language Pathologist Assistant in Dallas, TX. She joined the ADTS Staff in 2017.



Amber Valenzuela is from Harlingen, TX. She attended Jasper HS and Plano West Senior High. She was a member of the drill team at both schools, and served as an officer of the Plano West Royales her senior year. Amber obtained a degree in Human Development and Family Science with a Minor in Dance from the UNT. She is currently the dance teacher and director of the Leander MS Tigerettes. She joined ADTS in 2018.





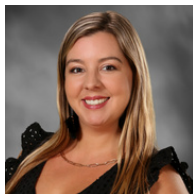
Claudia Vera is from Brownsville, TX and attended Lopez HS Fine Arts Academy where she was part of the Golden Stars Dance Team. She received her BA in Dance from TWU, before obtaining her Masters in Educational Leadership from UT Arlington. She is a former dance educator, and is currently an Assistant Principal at International Leadership of Texas Garland HS. Claudia began with ADTS in 2005.



Jamie Vallejo is from Houston, TX where she attended Clear Lake HS and served as a two-year officer of the Falcon Flairs. She danced as a member of the Kilgore College Rangerettes 59th line. After graduating from the University of Texas with a BA in Government, she began teaching at KIPP Austin Collegiate. Jamie is the founding director of the Cardinal Dance Crew. Jamie began working for ADTS in 1999.



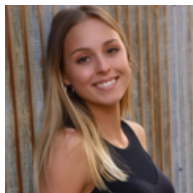
Itzayana (Ramirez) Vera is from Brownsville, TX where she graduated from Lopez HS. She was part of the Golden Stars Dance Team she served as an officer for three years. She graduated from UTRGV with a bachelor's degree in Dance. She is currently the dance director for the Austin MS Bruinettes in PSJA ISD. Itzayana has been on staff since 2015.



Allyson (Gillmore) Wallace is from Killeen, Texas. She attended Ellison High School and was an officer on the Emeralds Dance Team. Allyson attended Texas State University and was a Strutter before earning a BFA in Dance. She is completing her Masters in Educational Leadership at Texas Tech and is currently at Wylie High School as the Director of the Pirate Pacesetters Drill Team. She joined ADTS staff in 2010.



Charlotte (Hanna) Wallace graduated from East View HS. She spent four years as First Lieutenant of the Sparklers Dance Team, and danced competitively with Performing Arts Studio. She went on to continue her education at the University of Texas at Austin. She now teaches elementary school at Meridian World School in Round Rock, TX. Charlotte has been on ADTS Staff since 2014.



Annmarie Walling graduated from East View HS. She was a member of the East View Sparklers Dance Team, where she served as Lieutenant and then Captain her senior year. She plans to major in Dance and continue her dance experience on a collegiate team. Annmarie joined the ADTS Staff in 2021.

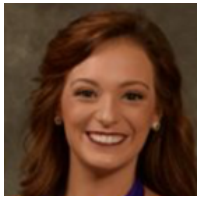


Miriam Vera is from Brownsville, TX. She was a member of the Lopez HS Golden Stars Dance Team, and was captain her senior year. She graduated summa cum laude from Texas Women's University with her Bachelors in Dance Education, and began teaching in 2006. Miriam has been on ADTS staff since 2001, and has served as Lyrical/Modern Staff Captain for many years.

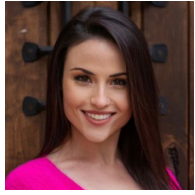


Katelyn Watkins is from Bridge City, TX. She graduated from Bridge City HS, then attended Kilgore College as a Rangerette. She received her Bachelor's Degree from Sam Houston State University. She is currently teaching in Conroe ISD. She has had the pleasure of working for ADTS since 2011.





Marissa Weber is a graduate of Nederland HS. She has been on ADTS Staff since 2015. She was a member of the 74th line of the Kilgore College Rangerettes. From there, she transferred to Stephen F. Austin State University where she graduated with a major in Dance Education and minor in Kinesiology and Human Health. She was also a member of the SFA Dance Team. She is currently a teacher at Nederland HS.



Lisa Westbay is from Plano, TX, where she was Captain of the Plano Senior HS Planoettes. She earned her Bachelor's degree at the OU, where she danced with the OU Elite Dance Team. Lisa pursued a Master's degree in Communication Disorders from UT at Dallas. She is currently an Acro Dance Instructor at Centre for Dance and Director of Parish Episcopal School Rosettes. Lisa has been on American staff since 2009.



Shelby Westover is from Kingwood, TX. She attended Kingwood HS and was a member of the Fillies for 4 years, holding an officer position for 3 years. She was a member of the Kilgore College Rangerettes and Swingster before attending SFA to earn her B.S. in Secondary Education and Dance, and eventually her Master's in Educational Leadership. She is currently the Director at Atascocita HS. She joined the ADTS Staff in 2015.



Erica Wilcox is from Waxahachie, TX where she attended Waxahachie HS and was a member of the Cherokee Charmers Dance Team, serving as Captain her senior year. She holds a B.S. in Mass Media Communications with a Minor in Dance from Prairie View A&M University. She is the current director of the Waxahachie HS Cherokee Charmers, and has been with ADTS since 2012.



Ashley Wilson is from Plano, TX and has been on staff since 2019. She attended Prestonwood Christian Academy and was a 4 year member of the PCA Pom Squad, where she was captain her junior and senior years. Ashley is continuing her education at Texas A&M studying Elementary Education.



Jessica Wilson is from Temple, TX, where she attended Temple HS and was an officer of the Kittens Dance Team. She danced at UMHB as a Sader Belle and then at Texas State University in the Orchesis Modern Dance Company. She graduated Magna Cum Laude with a BFA in Dance. She served as a dance educator and director for ten years before leaving education in 2023. She joined the American Staff in 2009.



Jennifer Zehr is from Killeen, TX and a graduate of Ellison HS. She was a member of the Ellison Emeralds, holding the top officer position her senior year. After high school, Jennifer attended Sam Houston State University where she majored in English and minored in Dance. Currently, she is the director of her alma mater, the award-winning Ellison Emeralds. Jennifer joined the ADTS Staff in 2011.



Leah Zehr is from Killeen, TX. She graduated from Ellison HS, where she was a four-year member of the Emeralds, serving as Lieutenant, Captain, and Colonel. Leah graduated from Texas A&M University and is now a teacher in KISD. She has been working for American since 2019.

