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Dear Drill Team/Color Guard Director:

I am writing in regard to the award initiated several years ago for drill teams and color guards by the Iowa State Dance Drill Team Association. This is an award for academic achievement for such groups. The ISDTA Academic Award is computed on the current year's squad using the previous year's academic record. In other words, the Academic Award for 2009-2010 will be calculated using the 2008-2009 squad's grades.

Only teams competing at the State Competition on Dec. 4-5, 2009 will be eligible for the ISDTA Academic Awards. All applications must be postmarked by October 1, 2009 and signed by the guidance counselor or principal with an official school seal to be accepted by ISDTA. Applications received after the deadline or incomplete applications will be refused. All GPA must be converted to a 4.0 grade scale.

If you think you have a squad from this year that meets the requirements, please check the grades of each girl on your squad this year 2009-2010 for both semesters of the 2008-2009 school year, add these up, and divide by the number of girls on the squad, including managers (if they are letterwinners). Do this for both first and second semesters. Then add these two averages together, divide by two, and this will be your squad's grade point average for 2009-2010. A worksheet for computing this average is included on the back of the application form.

Complete this application form using this year's squad and last year's grades. Academic Award recipients will be listed in the program at the Iowa State Team Dance/Drill Team Championships to be held on Friday, December 4 and Saturday, December 5 at Veterans Memorial Auditorium and HyVee Hall. The awards (plaques for the schools and individual certificates for the members) can be picked up at registration.

If I can be of any help in answering any questions you may have, please feel free to call me at 515-848-0577 or email:(lturnage@pleasantville.k12.ia.us). Application forms must be **postmarked by October 1, 2009 and mailed to Julie Rastetter, Box 666, Guttenberg, IA 52052.** Applications received after October 1st will be refused.

M.A. Dance is sponsoring all Academic Awards with two schools being recognized for the highest GPA in the state. Trophies will be presented at the awards ceremony on Friday and Saturday evenings.

Thank you for your time and immediate attention to this matter. Have a good year!

Sincerely,
Lois Turnage, *President*



