

# 2020-21 USTA ELITE NATIONAL TEAM MEMBER BIOS



United States Trampoline and Tumbling Association



**BRANDON ANDERSON, Spark Athletics, KY**

**Age:** 15    **Number of years in Tumbling:** 3    **Trampoline:** 3    **D-Mini:** 3

**Have you been a member of the USTA National Team before?** No

**What do you think you will be doing 10 years from now?** Probably doing something with photography and hopefully still competing T&T.

**What skill was the hardest for you to learn?** Full in half out

**What is the funniest thing that ever happened to you?** I sat down in my chair at school in the beginning of class and one of the legs snapped and the chair broke.

**What would you like everyone to know about you?** I self taught myself lots of skills on the trampoline before I discovered T&T,

**If you had to eat only 1 food for the rest of your life, what would it be and why?** Chicken because its my favorite food and is a good source of protein.

**Other than T&T, favorite past-times:** Diving on my high school team and photography.

**If you had to leave home in an emergency, what 3 things would you take with you?** My phone, my computer, and my dog.

**HADLEE BARR, Kris' Power Tumbling, Dance, & Cheer, IL-S**

**Age:** 11    **Number of years in Tumbling:** 8    **Trampoline:** 8    **D-Mini:** 8

**Have you been a member of the USTA National Team before?** No

**What do you think you will be doing 10 years from now?** Finishing college and coaching tumbling, tramp, & DM.

**What skill was the hardest for you to learn?** Half out tuck

**What is the funniest thing that ever happened to you?** Trying to do a half out on DM, missed my feet and bounced my face off the DM.

**What would you like everyone to know about you?** When I was 5 years old I got two perfect 20's at Nationals on floor.

**If you had to eat only 1 food for the rest of your life, what would it be and why?** I would eat Buffalo Wild Wings honey BBQ wings because their food is really good.

**Other than T&T, favorite past-times:** Read, play w/dogs, cheer and swim

**If you had to leave home in an emergency, what 3 things would you take with you?** Phone, pets, and money so I could buy more blankets for my blanket addiction!





**LIVIA BINDER, The Movement Center, IL-S**

**Age:** 15    **Number of years in Tumbling:** 10    **Trampoline:** 8    **D-Mini:** 8

**Have you been a member of the USTA National Team before?** No

**What do you think you will be doing 10 years from now?** Ten years from now I hope to be finishing med school and have a career where I can help others every day. I hope to be starting a family and working in the medical field.

**What skill was the hardest for you to learn?** My double back took me a long time to get over the fear; therefore, taking me over a year to learn.

**What is the funniest thing that ever happened to you?** The funniest thing that happened to me was when one of my best friends forgot about my birthday so he made it up to me by wearing one of his sister's dresses to track practice. He ran the whole two hours in his sister's stappy dress.

**What would you like everyone to know about you?** I want people to know that I am very dedicated and motivated in everything that I do and that I am here to have fun. You only live once and I want to make the most of it.

**If you had to eat only 1 food for the rest of your life, what would it be and why?** Pizza because there are so many different ways you can make it and you can eat it at any meal.

**Other than T&T, favorite past-times:** I love track and cheer, I love traveling, hanging out with friends and family, and baking.

**If you had to leave home in an emergency, what 3 things would you take with you?** If I had to leave home I would bring my phone and charger, my car, and my special tie blanket.

**AVA BINKOWSKI, Elite Sports Complex, IL-N**

**Age:** 14    **Number of years in Tumbling:** 7    **Trampoline:** 7    **D-Mini:** 7

**Have you been a member of the USTA National Team before?** No

**What do you think you will be doing 10 years from now?** Working for whatever I want to/following my dreams.

**What skill was the hardest for you to learn?** Full in straight

**What is the funniest thing that ever happened to you?** I told my friend a joke and milk came out of his nose.

**What would you like everyone to know about you?** I can speak Chinese (not fluently) and I enjoy gambling (with friends and family).

**If you had to eat only 1 food for the rest of your life, what would it be and why?** Salad because it's a general term and I could have fruit salad or caesar salad without breaking the rules.

**Other than T&T, favorite past-times:** Drawing or softball

**If you had to leave home in an emergency, what 3 things would you take with you?** My phone, a blanket from when I was little, and money.





**LILYANA BOURGAULT, Gymnastic Academy of Rockford, IL-N**

**Age:** 14    **Number of years in Tumbling:** 2

**Have you been a member of the USTA National Team before?** No

**What do you think you will be doing 10 years from now?** I will be working with animals and living someplace really warm.

**What skill was the hardest for you to learn?** Double full

**What is the funniest thing that ever happened to you?** I was trying to run down a huge sand dune in Michigan. I was going so fast that I face planted half way down and rolled the rest of the way.

**What would you like everyone to know about you?** I was born in Russia. I was adopted and came to American when I was 4 years old.

**If you had to eat only 1 food for the rest of your life, what would it be and why?** Apples because they are so fresh and sweet.

**Other than T&T, favorite past-times:** Hanging with my family and watching funny movies.

**If you had to leave home in an emergency, what 3 things would you take with you?** Family, my chinchilla (Oliver), and apples.

**SAMANTHA BRECKENRIDGE, Kris' Power Tumbling, Cheer & Dance, IL-S**

**Age:** 12    **Number of years in Tumbling:** 8½    **Trampoline:** 8½    **D-Mini:** 7

**Have you been a member of the USTA National Team before?** No

**What do you think you will be doing 10 years from now?** Hopefully I will be finishing up my 5<sup>th</sup> year of Veterinarian school.

**What skill was the hardest for you to learn?** Half in Half out (and still can not do it)

**What is the funniest thing that ever happened to you?** Getting hit in the face during volleyball practice - it knocked me silly and I couldn't stop laughing.

**What would you like everyone to know about you?** I have been very successful in my tnt years. When I was 10, I won 4 national titles that year and I believe I have a total of 8 or 9 all together.

**If you had to eat only 1 food for the rest of your life, what would it be and why?** I would eat McDonald's french fries because they are so good.

**Other than T&T, favorite past-times:** My other favorite past time is volleyball. This year my team made it to state but we didn't get to compete due to the virus. We only had 2 losses.

**If you had to leave home in an emergency, what 3 things would you take with you?** My phone, my animals, and my air pods.





**CAITLYN CARRIER, Tumble Shine, KY**

**Age:** 17    **Number of years in Tumbling:** 3    **Trampoline:** 3    **D-Mini:** 3

**Have you been a member of the USTA National Team before?** No

**What do you think you will be doing 10 years from now?** Ten years from now, I would like to be working in the wildlife industry.

**What skill was the hardest for you to learn?** The hardest skill for me to learn was a whip.

**What is the funniest thing that ever happened to you?** The funniest thing that has happened to me was when I was learning my half out tuck. I ended up almost doing a rudi out to my head.

**What would you like everyone to know about you?** I would like everyone to know that I work very hard for the things that I want.

**If you had to eat only 1 food for the rest of your life, what would it be and why?** If I could only eat 1 food for the rest of my life, it would have to be steak because it tastes so good.

**Other than T&T, favorite past-times:** My favorite past-time is to go hunting or playing video games.

**If you had to leave home in an emergency, what 3 things would you take with you?** The 3 things I would take with me in an emergency are my family, my dog, and my phone.

**CALEB CYPHER, Grand Rapids Trampoline Center**

**Age:** 15    **Number of years in Tumbling:** 8    **Trampoline:** 8    **D-Mini:** 8

**Have you been a member of the USTA National Team before?** No

**What do you think you will be doing 10 years from now?** I hope to still be competing and also be working with computers.

**What skill was the hardest for you to learn?** Barani in full out

**What is the funniest thing that ever happened to you?** When I woke up from my elbow reduction, I thought the oxygen was my earbuds and kept asking why the nurse was putting my earbuds in my nose.

**What would you like everyone to know about you?** I am color blind.

**If you had to eat only 1 food for the rest of your life, what would it be and why?** Hamburgers because you can add so many different toppings.

**Other than T&T, favorite past-times:** Playing video games on the computer.

**If you had to leave home in an emergency, what 3 things would you take with you?** My phone, computer, and wallet.





**BRANDON DEVER, Gymnastic Academy of Rockford, IL-N**

**Age: 26    Number of years in Tumbling: 20    Trampoline: 5    D-Mini: 5**

**Have you been a member of the USTA National Team before? Yes**

**If yes, what did you like best about the Team Trip?** The Colorado trip - horse back riding in The Garden of The Gods.

**What do you think you will be doing 10 years from now?** Training and if not training, coaching.

**What skill was the hardest for you to learn?** Full out

**What would you like everyone to know about you?** I love this sport!!

**If you had to eat only 1 food for the rest of your life, what would it be and why?** Tator Tot Casserole because it is the absolute best. Very delicious.

**Other than T&T, favorite past-times:** Draw

**If you had to leave home in an emergency, what 3 things would you take with you?** My dog, my coffee cup, and my backpack.

**SAHANNA DOHERTY, Fox Valley Tumbling & Trampoline, IL-N**

**Age: 14    Number of years in Tumbling: 8    Trampoline: 8    D-Mini: 8**

**Have you been a member of the USTA National Team before? Yes**

**If yes, what did you like best about the Team Trip?** Hanging out with everyone.

**What do you think you will be doing 10 years from now?** In college/

**What skill was the hardest for you to learn?** Full-full

**What is the funniest thing that ever happened to you?** I am not sure of something specific.

**What would you like everyone to know about you?** I love trying new things.

**If you had to eat only 1 food for the rest of your life, what would it be and why?** Probably pizza because there are so many different customizations you could do so its not always the same.

**Other than T&T, favorite past-times:** Running.

**If you had to leave home in an emergency, what 3 things would you take with you?** My dogs, food, and water.





**CARLOS FETTERER, Elite Fire, IL-N**

**Age:** 19      **Number of years in Tumbling:** 4      **Trampoline:** 4      **D-Mini:** 4

**Have you been a member of the USTA National Team before?** No

**What do you think you will be doing 10 years from now?** Coaching tumbling and cheerleading.

**What skill was the hardest for you to learn?** Half-out tuck

**What is the funniest thing that ever happened to you?** I was demonstrating something while I was coaching and I split my pants.

**What would you like everyone to know about you?** That I am very nice to other kids and I enjoy talking to everyone.

**If you had to eat only 1 food for the rest of your life, what would it be and why?** Mexican food because I love it too much to stop.

**Other than T&T, favorite past-times:** Playing Sims because it is my time to express my creativity.

**If you had to leave home in an emergency, what 3 things would you take with you?** My phone, a jug of water, and a blanket.

**DELILAH FOLK, Acrocheer Fliptwisters, OH**

**Age:** 16      **Number of years in Tumbling:** 11      **Trampoline:** 11      **D-Mini:** 11

**Have you been a member of the USTA National Team before?** Yes

**If yes, what did you like best about the Team Trip?** Getting to swim, eat dinner, and spend time with friends that I don't get to see often.

**What do you think you will be doing 10 years from now?** Coaching at my gym or working as a chiropractor.

**What skill was the hardest for you to learn?** My half in - half out

**What is the funniest thing that ever happened to you?** Over Christmas break of my freshman year of high school, I broke my tooth while riding a mechanical donkey.

**What would you like everyone to know about you?** I'm a huge Elton John fan and I love all things 70's and 80's.

**If you had to eat only 1 food for the rest of your life, what would it be and why?** I would eat tacos because not only are they delicious, but they're a balanced meal.

**Other than T&T, favorite past-times:** I love to spend time with friends, sing, and watch Disney movies.

**If you had to leave home in an emergency, what 3 things would you take with you?** My bunnies, my phone, and my purse.





**LYRIC GORDON, Elite Fire, IL-N**

**Age:** 13    **Number of years in Tumbling:** 8    **Trampoline:** 4    **D-Mini:** 8

**Have you been a member of the USTA National Team before?** Yes

**If yes, what did you like best about the Team Trip?** Everyone got along and bonded together. Making new friends.

**What do you think you will be doing 10 years from now?** I want to still be tumbling. If not tumbling, I want to be a doctor.

**What skill was the hardest for you to learn?** A full out

**What is the funniest thing that ever happened to you?** One time I was going up to receive my award when I tied for 1<sup>st</sup> place - as I got on the podium, I tripped and made everyone else tumble down. It was a domino effect. Thankfully no one got hurt.

**What would you like everyone to know about you?** My nickname is Lil Ric'

**If you had to eat only 1 food for the rest of your life, what would it be and why?** Pizza Rolls because they are really good!

**Other than T&T, favorite past-times:** Going to nursing homes with the elderly, playing games with them, and participating in school sports this year.

**If you had to leave home in an emergency, what 3 things would you take with you?** My phone, charger, and food.

**MAKAYLA HUGHBANKS, Elite Fire, IL-N**

**Age:** 16    **Number of years in Tumbling:** 8    **Trampoline:** 5    **D-Mini:** 8

**Have you been a member of the USTA National Team before?** No

**What do you think you will be doing 10 years from now?** Graduated college and starting my career in the medical field.

**What skill was the hardest for you to learn?** Half out tuck

**What is the funniest thing that ever happened to you?** When I first learned how to ski, I lost control and ran into a fence.

**What would you like everyone to know about you?** I love animals and I want to be a dentist when I am older.

**If you had to eat only 1 food for the rest of your life, what would it be and why?** Pineapple because it's my favorite fruit.

**Other than T&T, favorite past-times:** I love spending time with friends and family and listening to music.

**If you had to leave home in an emergency, what 3 things would you take with you?** My phone, money, and shoes.





**MAHO ITO, Gymnastics Central, OH**

**Age:** 13    **Number of years in Tumbling:** 5    **Trampoline:** 6    **D-Mini:** 6

**Have you been a member of the USTA National Team before?** No

**What do you think you will be doing 10 years from now?** Carrying on with my career that I have the most fun with, having fun with life.

**What skill was the hardest for you to learn?** half outs

**What is the funniest thing that ever happened to you?** At practice, I caught my toes in the front of the mini and skid across the mini and had waffle marks on my forehead.

**What would you like everyone to know about you?** I can be shy, but I try to get to know everyone and make anyone else's day better.

**If you had to eat only 1 food for the rest of your life, what would it be and why?** My Grandma's Japanese style curry rice - that stuff is heavenly, let me tell you.

**Other than T&T, favorite past-times:** I like to paint while listening to music.

**If you had to leave home in an emergency, what 3 things would you take with you?** A picture of my family, some extra clothes, and my vitamins.

**JILLIAN JONES-PSCHIRRER, Kris' Power Tumbling, Cheer, & Dance, IL-S**

**Age:** 12    **Number of years in Tumbling:** 9    **Trampoline:** 9    **D-Mini:** 9

**Have you been a member of the USTA National Team before?** YES

**If yes, what did you like best about the Team Trip?** I liked being able to get closer to everyone and training with other people.

**What do you think you will be doing 10 years from now?** I will be in college or have a job and probably still live with my mom and dad.

**What skill was the hardest for you to learn?** Half in half out tuck

**What is the funniest thing that ever happened to you?** When I was making a tiktok my cat wanted my attention so she jumped up on me as I was making the tik tok.

**What would you like everyone to know about you?** I can solve a rubik's cube. I also love to play basketball.

**If you had to eat only 1 food for the rest of your life, what would it be and why?** I would be boneless BBQ chicken wings because they are good and they fill you up.

**Other than T&T, favorite past-times.** I really like to go outside and play basket ball and other sports.

**If you had to leave home in an emergency, what 3 things would you take with you?** I would take my phone, a basketball, and my dog.





**JACQUELINE KENT, Elite Sports Complex, IL-N**

**Age:** 14    **Number of years in Tumbling:** 8    **Trampoline:** 8    **D-Mini:** 8

**Have you been a member of the USTA National Team before?** No

**What do you think you will be doing 10 years from now?** Traveling around the world.

**What skill was the hardest for you to learn?** Rudy out tuck

**What is the funniest thing that ever happened to you?** When I ate the mat doing a double tuck on the floor.

**What would you like everyone to know about you?** I am fluent in Bulgarian.

**If you had to eat only 1 food for the rest of your life, what would it be and why?** Salad, because there are many different types of salads.

**Other than T&T, favorite past-times:** Hanging out with friends.

**If you had to leave home in an emergency, what 3 things would you take with you?** I would take my phone, passport, and money.

**EMERSYN MACISAAC, Dupage Cheer & Power Tumbling, IL-N**

**Age:** 14    **Number of years in Tumbling:** 7    **Trampoline:** 7    **D-Mini:** 7

**Have you been a member of the USTA National Team before?** No

**What do you think you will be doing 10 years from now?** I hope to be an English teacher.

**What skill was the hardest for you to learn?** I have always mentally struggled with half-outs.

**What is the funniest thing that ever happened to you?** When I was younger (maybe four years old), I snuck over to our treadmill and I couldn't turn it off so it got progressively faster until I flew off into the wall and put a hole in the wall. My sister eventually came over and unplugged it.

**What would you like everyone to know about you?** I'm very excited to be on this team and I look forward to getting to know everyone.

**If you had to eat only 1 food for the rest of your life, what would it be and why?** Chesapeake Bay Blue Crabs because it's something that reminds me of my family on the East Coast.

**Other than T&T, favorite past-times:** I really enjoy drawing and painting. I also like watching movies with friends or family.

**If you had to leave home in an emergency, what 3 things would you take with you?** My phone, my ipad for school work, and a leo or something I could wear to the gym.





**CLARA McNEW, Level Up Tumbling & Trampoline, IL-S**

**Age:** 13    **Number of years in Tumbling:** 10    **Trampoline:** 10    **D-Mini:** 10

**Have you been a member of the USTA National Team before?** No

**What do you think you will be doing 10 years from now?** I hope to still be competing in this sport, and also attending medical school.

**What skill was the hardest for you to learn?** Double back pike

**What is the funniest thing that ever happened to you?** At a meet on double mini, I did a half out on, landed wrong, went rolling down the DM and back down the run-up carpet.

**What would you like everyone to know about you?** I plan on going to medical school to become a pediatric neurosurgeon.

**If you had to eat only 1 food for the rest of your life, what would it be and why?** Fruit salad because it is healthy and tastes good.

**Other than T&T, favorite past-times:** Studying and learning human anatomy and how the brain works.

**If you had to leave home in an emergency, what 3 things would you take with you?** My phone, food, and as many clothes I could carry.

**FINLEY MERKER, Dupage Cheer & Power Tumbling, IL-N**

**Age:** 14    **Number of years in Tumbling:** 10    **Trampoline:** 2-3    **D-Mini:** 5

**Have you been a member of the USTA National Team before?** YES

**If yes, what did you like best about the Team Trip?** Going to Six Flags in GA.

**What do you think you will be doing 10 years from now?** I'm not really sure but hopefully still involved with T&T in some way or Cirque du Soleil.

**What skill was the hardest for you to learn?** Mounter half out pike on D-Mini

**What is the funniest thing that ever happened to you?** One time my friends and I got stuck at the top of the "Goliath" ride right before the huge drop at Six Flags.

**What would you like everyone to know about you?** I love roller coasters and have always wanted to go skydiving.

**If you had to eat only 1 food for the rest of your life, what would it be and why?** Tacos because you can never get sick of tacos.

**Other than T&T, favorite past-times:** Long boarding and bike rides with my firends.

**If you had to leave home in an emergency, what 3 things would you take with you?** My dogs, phone, and a fluffy blanket.





**MICAH MINER, Kris' Power Tumbling, Cheer & Dance, IL-S**

**Age: 12    Number of years in Tumbling: 6    Trampoline: 6    D-Mini: 6**

**Have you been a member of the USTA National Team before? Yes**

**If yes, what did you like best about the Team Trip?** I loved the field trips to the downtown ferris wheel and to Six Flags.

**What do you think you will be doing 10 years from now?** Coaching tumbling and trampoline.

**What skill was the hardest for you to learn?** Triffus

**What is the funniest thing that ever happened to you?** A few years ago, my family was watching the fireworks at a deserted parking lot. I started singing the "Star Spangled Banner" and a mouse ran out of the field onto the parking lot and up my shoe... while I was still singing. My mom caught us all screaming on camera!

**What would you like everyone to know about you?** I am a hard worker. I love what I do. I love cheering for other people. I love to compete.

**If you had to eat only 1 food for the rest of your life, what would it be and why?** Pizza of course. It is the best food EVER.

**Other than T&T, favorite past-times:** Spending time with my family. I have the BEST brother and sister in the whole world.

**If you had to leave home in an emergency, what 3 things would you take with you?** "Coach Marcus", "Coach Trey", and the other "Coach Marcus", (My sensory items)

**HUNTER MORAVEC, Elite Sports Complex**

**Age: 16    Number of years in Tumbling: 10    Trampoline: 10    D-Mini: 10**

**Have you been a member of the USTA National Team before? Yes**

**If yes, what did you like best about the Team Trip?** Creating friendships and having a really good time.

**What do you think you will be doing 10 years from now?** Coaching and being a physical therapist.

**What skill was the hardest for you to learn?** Miller

**What is the funniest thing that ever happened to you?** While working out at Planet Fitness with Coach D, I fell off the back of a rowing machine in front of a lot of guys. Coach D thought it was hilarious!

**What would you like everyone to know about you?** I'm the oldest of three boys in my family.

**If you had to eat only 1 food for the rest of your life, what would it be and why?** Ribs and ice cream because they are delicious!

**Other than T&T, favorite past-times:** Playing baseball and hanging out with friends.

**If you had to leave home in an emergency, what 3 things would you take with you?** My wallet, my phone, and my shoe collection.





**REESE NICHOLS, Kris' Power Tumbling, Cheer & Dance, IL-S**

**Age:** 13    **Number of years in Tumbling:** 8    **Trampoline:** 8    **D-Mini:** 8

**Have you been a member of the USTA National Team before?** Yes

**If yes, what did you like best about the Team Trip?** Getting to go to Six Flags with the team.

**What do you think you will be doing 10 years from now?** I will probably be in college learning to become a vet.

**What skill was the hardest for you to learn?** ½ in ½ out tuck

**What is the funniest thing that ever happened to you?** One time when I was running up to the double mini, I jumped too far back and fell under.

**What would you like everyone to know about you?** I play travel volleyball and I want to be a vet when I'm older.

**If you had to eat only 1 food for the rest of your life, what would it be and why?** Mexican food because it's really good.

**Other than T&T, favorite past-times:** I love to play volleyball with my friends. I also like going over to my friends' house and hang out with them.

**If you had to leave home in an emergency, what 3 things would you take with you?** I would bring my phone, money, and a friend to help me.

**BAYLEY PIERCE, Pierce Athletics, IL-N**

**Age:** 16    **Number of years in Tumbling:** 13

**Have you been a member of the USTA National Team before?** No

**What do you think you will be doing 10 years from now?** Hopefully, I'll be in college or already done with it. I'll also be tumbling if I can.

**What skill was the hardest for you to learn?** Whipping-full

**What is the funniest thing that ever happened to you?** I was playing a game & we had to say something that was "hot." I was planning on saying girls, but the word "boys" escaped my mouth. I had a brain fart.

**What would you like everyone to know about you?** I'm a perfectionist & I'm very hard on myself, but I try my best to set a good example for others.

**If you had to eat only 1 food for the rest of your life, what would it be and why?** A BLT sandwich because you can eat it both hot & cold and if you're just not feeling it, you can just switch things up by taking ingredients off.

**Other than T&T, favorite past-times:** Relaxing on my phone or hanging out with my friends.

**If you had to leave home in an emergency, what 3 things would you take with you?** My phone, dog #1 & dog #2.





**AVA POLLARD, Kris' Power Tumbling, Cheer & Dance, IL-S**

**Age:** 14    **Number of years in Tumbling:** 10    **Trampoline:** 8    **D-Mini:** 8

**Have you been a member of the USTA National Team before?** No

**What do you think you will be doing 10 years from now?** I want to be in a career working with animals.

**What skill was the hardest for you to learn?** Half out tuck

**What is the funniest thing that ever happened to you?** A friend was staying the night at my house and we were told "NO MORE SLIME." After everyone went to bed, we snuck into the laundry room around 3 am to make some slime. My dog heard us and started barking which woke my parents. The walked around to see what the dog was barking at, but never found us.

**What would you like everyone to know about you?** I have three siblings and I live in Hillsboro, IL.

**If you had to eat only 1 food for the rest of your life, what would it be and why?** Pasta because it is my favorite food and would probably involve frequent trips to Olive Garden.

**Other than T&T, favorite past-times:** I like to hang out with my friends and family and pets.

**If you had to leave home in an emergency, what 3 things would you take with you?** My phone, some clothes, and some hygiene products.

**ABIGAIL REICHE, Kids In Action Gymnastics Academy, IL-N**

**Age:** 15    **Number of years in Tumbling:** 13    **Trampoline:** 14    **D-Mini:** 14

**Have you been a member of the USTA National Team before?** YES

**If yes, what did you like best about the Team Trip?** My favorite part of the trip was the water park at Six Flags.

**What do you think you will be doing 10 years from now?** 10 years from now I will be starting my career as a nurse practitioner.

**What skill was the hardest for you to learn?** Half-out tuck

**What is the funniest thing that ever happened to you?** Once at a track meet I was the starter in the 4 x 1 and I began the relay without the baton. It wasn't very funny then, but it is now.

**What would you like everyone to know about you?** Something I would like everyone to know about me is I like to sing.

**If you had to eat only 1 food for the rest of your life, what would it be and why?** Pizza because there are all different kinds and toppings.

**Other than T&T, favorite past-times:** Other than T&T my favorite past-time is running.

**If you had to leave home in an emergency, what 3 things would you take with you?** 3 things I would take with me are my phone, my wallet, and my blanket.





**MIA REICHE, Kids In Action Gymnastics Academy, IL-N**

**Age:** 13    **Number of years in Tumbling:** 11    **Trampoline:** 11    **D-Mini:** 11

**Have you been a member of the USTA National Team before?** YES

**If yes, what did you like best about the Team Trip?** The best part of the trip was the water park.

**What do you think you will be doing 10 years from now?** 10 years from now I will be out of school and starting my career.

**What skill was the hardest for you to learn?** Half-out tuck

**What is the funniest thing that ever happened to you?** When I was in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade I went to the bathroom and someone opened the door on me and left it open and everyone stared at me.

**What would you like everyone to know about you?** I may be very intimidating on the outside but in the inside I'm truly just misunderstood.

**If you had to eat only 1 food for the rest of your life, what would it be and why?** I would eat pizza because it is delicious and it never gets old.

**Other than T&T, favorite past-times:** Other than T&T I love to play basketball and run track.

**If you had to leave home in an emergency, what 3 things would you take with you?** I would take my phone, my dogs, and my family.

**MIA SHAFER, Fox Valley Tumbling & Trampoline**

**Age:** 13    **Number of years in Tumbling:** 7    **Trampoline:** 7    **D-Mini:** 7

**Have you been a member of the USTA National Team before?** No

**What do you think you will be doing 10 years from now?** All I hope is that I will start to settle down and find a living.

**What skill was the hardest for you to learn?** Half out tuck

**What is the funniest thing that ever happened to you?** I can't think of the funny thing but one thing is when my friend and I went to Starved Rock and we kept slipping on the mud.

**What would you like everyone to know about you?** That I have a dog named Jack and my favorite color is yellow.

**If you had to eat only 1 food for the rest of your life, what would it be and why?** Soup because there are many different kinds.

**Other than T&T, favorite past-times:** I like to go shopping, go on my phone, and hang out with friends.

**If you had to leave home in an emergency, what 3 things would you take with you?** Family, dog, and money.





**THOMAS SNEED, Kids In Action Gymnastics Academy, IL-N**

**Age: 16    Number of years in Trampoline: 7    D-Mini: 7**

**Have you been a member of the USTA National Team before?** No

**What do you think you will be doing 10 years from now?** Ten years from now I expect to be either working as a chiropractor at someone's chiropractic business or possibly owning my own chiropractic business.

**What skill was the hardest for you to learn?** Half out mounts onto double mini

**What is the funniest thing that ever happened to you?** At Nationals in West Virginia, I accidentally dropped my trampoline pants into a dirty puddle when I was changing in the bathroom. Subsequent to this mishap, Hunter, a fellow member of the National Team, needed to borrow my pants to compete ASAP. Hunter ended up competing a wonderful routine with my soiled pants.

**What would you like everyone to know about you?** I want everyone to know that my favorite sport was baseball until I was introduced to the wonderful sport of T&T. I also want people to know that I am a Boy Scout, soon to be Eagle Scout.

**If you had to eat only 1 food for the rest of your life, what would it be and why?** I would eat steak for the rest of my life because it tastes so good.

**Other than T&T, favorite past-times:** My favorite past-time is playing baseball, I played baseball for 8 years and still love the sport to this day.

**If you had to leave home in an emergency, what 3 things would you take with you?** I would take my dog, my phone, and a blanket.

**CARVER STENNETT, Kids In Action Gymnastics Academy, IL-N**

**Age: 17    Number of years in Trampoline: 8    D-Mini: 8**

**Have you been a member of the USTA National Team before?** Yes

**If yes, what did you like best about the Team Trip?** Hanging out with all the teammates.

**What do you think you will be doing 10 years from now?** Being a chiropractor.

**What skill was the hardest for you to learn?** Half in Full out

**What is the funniest thing that ever happened to you?** Grated chalk on each other and called it cheese.

**What would you like everyone to know about you?** I built my own house.

**If you had to eat only 1 food for the rest of your life, what would it be and why?** Steak because it my favorite food.

**Other than T&T, favorite past-times:** Going to Arizona to hang out with my Aunt.

**If you had to leave home in an emergency, what 3 things would you take with you?** My bird, backpack, and phone.





**ABIGAIL TOLLEFSON, MAT Tumbling & Trampoline, IA**

**Age:** 14    **Number of years in Tumbling:** 1    **Trampoline:** 1    **D-Mini:** 1

**Have you been a member of the USTA National Team before?** No

**What do you think you will be doing 10 years from now?** I hope to be doing some kind of athletic training or physical therapy.

**What skill was the hardest for you to learn?** Whips

**What is the funniest thing that ever happened to you?** I tripped over my own foot and fell in the hallway at school.

**What would you like everyone to know about you?** I love food.

**If you had to eat only 1 food for the rest of your life, what would it be and why?** Tacos because you can mix up the ingredients in them.

**Other than T&T, favorite past-times:** I like to hang out with my friends and family.

**If you had to leave home in an emergency, what 3 things would you take with you?** I would take my phone, charger, and snacks.

**JACKSON TULLEY, Ohio Sports Academy, OH**

**Age:** 14    **Number of years in Tumbling:** 4    **Trampoline:** 4    **D-Mini:** 4

**Have you been a member of the USTA National Team before?** No

**What do you think you will be doing 10 years from now?** Getting out of college and finding a job.

**What skill was the hardest for you to learn?** Full full

**What is the funniest thing that ever happened to you?** I was tubing with my cousin. I slid back on the tube as we hit a big wave and I went airborne! Great laugh!

**What would you like everyone to know about you?** I like to ski and snowboard.

**If you had to eat only 1 food for the rest of your life, what would it be and why?** Watermelon! It's refreshing!

**Other than T&T, favorite past-times:** Skateboarding and hanging out with my friends.

**If you had to leave home in an emergency, what 3 things would you take with you?** My phone, my family, and my dog.





**JADEN VALES, Spark Athletics, KY**

**Age:** 16    **Number of years in Tumbling:** 7    **Trampoline:** 7    **D-Mini:** 7

**Have you been a member of the USTA National Team before?** No

**What do you think you will be doing 10 years from now?** Having a job maybe owning a business.

**What skill was the hardest for you to learn?** Double tuck, I lost it for awhile and lost confidence - then worked on it and got it back.

**What is the funniest thing that ever happened to you?** There are too many memories to think of.

**What would you like everyone to know about you?** I am nice to people.

**If you had to eat only 1 food for the rest of your life, what would it be and why?** Olive Garden's Chicken Alfredo because it's good.

**Other than T&T, favorite past-times:** Basketball

**If you had to leave home in an emergency, what 3 things would you take with you?** Phone, charger, and headphones.

**MORGAN VANDYCK, Fox Valley Tumbling & Trampoline, IL-N**

**Age:** 13    **Number of years in Tumbling:** 11    **Trampoline:** 11    **D-Mini:** 11

**Have you been a member of the USTA National Team before?** Yes

**If yes, what did you like best about the Team Trip?** Spending time with friends I've made from other gyms.

**What do you think you will be doing 10 years from now?** I hope to be finished with college and starting a career as a marine biologist.

**What skill was the hardest for you to learn?** A double straight

**What is the funniest thing that ever happened to you?** The funniest thing that has ever happened to me is that last summer when I was in Minocqua, Wisconsin, and me and my friend were trying to catch frogs out of this little pond/stream and the one thing we trying not to do was fall in, but of course I fell in face first and I was soaked and we couldn't stop laughing.

**What would you like everyone to know about you?** I would like everyone to know that I like making new friends and meeting new people.

**If you had to eat only 1 food for the rest of your life, what would it be and why?** If I could only eat one food for the rest of my life I would pick chicken, because you could have it a bunch of different ways.

**Other than T&T, favorite past-times:** Other than T&T, I love going skiing with friends and family.

**If you had to leave home in an emergency, what 3 things would you take with you?** It would depend on what kind of an emergency but if the house was on fire I would take my family and my animals.





**JAKE WEBB, Flight Club Power Tumbling & Trampoline, IL-N**

**Age: 13    Number of years in Tumbling: 9    Trampoline: 5    D-Mini: 5**

**Have you been a member of the USTA National Team before?** No

**What do you think you will be doing 10 years from now?** Medical School

**What skill was the hardest for you to learn?** DOUBLE PIKE

**What is the funniest thing that ever happened to you?** I did a barani straight and fell under the double mini.

**What would you like everyone to know about you?** I am very clean and organized.

**If you had to eat only 1 food for the rest of your life, what would it be and why?** Pizza because it's delicious.

**Other than T&T, favorite past-times:** I like to watch Netflix shows and eat a lot.

**If you had to leave home in an emergency, what 3 things would you take with you?** I would take my phone, my school stuff, and my cat.

**TASHA WILLIAMS, Jon Williams Fon du lac Flyers, IL-N**

**Age: 14    Number of years in Tumbling: 13    Trampoline: 2    D-Mini: 2**

**Have you been a member of the USTA National Team before?** No

**What do you think you will be doing 10 years from now?** Being a parent or a famous tiktoker.

**What skill was the hardest for you to learn?** Double lay

**What is the funniest thing that ever happened to you?** There isn't a specific time but probably face time calls or when I'm with my groupies.

**What would you like everyone to know about you?** I can look really mean sometimes but I'm really not. I'm really funny.

**If you had to eat only 1 food for the rest of your life, what would it be and why?** Pizza - a lot of different kinds.

**Other than T&T, favorite past-times:** Loves to paint.

**If you had to leave home in an emergency, what 3 things would you take with you?** Phone, charger, and air pods.

