

Taking Home Gold

OLHS winterline team places first at state championships



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The Olentangy Liberty High School Winterline team took home gold last weekend at the OIPA state championships. The team scored first place, beating 10 other schools in Scholastic A at Wapakoneta High School.

The show called “A Knock In the Night” follows two girls staying at an orphanage and are being chased by the ghosts of children who stayed there in the past, played by the battery. At the end “the darkness” played by the rest of the color guard eventually takes away the girls.

The battery is made up of drum players who play instruments such as snare drums, bass drums and cymbals while also marching. The color guard is the main visual performance of the team and features

dancing and in some cases flag spinning.

The only part of the team that does not march or dance is the front ensemble. The front ensemble is made up of large instruments that cannot be moved around as easily. Members play xylophones, large cymbals, synthesizer and even a guitar. When all put together it forms a visually and audibly pleasing experience for any age.

“I honestly wasn’t expecting it, seeing as we got 3rd last competition”, Rehneet Sarang, a freshman vibraphone player in the front ensemble says, “but it was a pleasant surprise and I’m really happy all our hard work paid off.”

This Friday, the team will be heading to WGI world championships in Dayton and will be competing against teams from all over the world.



Photo above: the battery performs A Knock In the Night at Wapakoneta High School. They got gold.

Photo to left: Performers pose with banner. The last time they won states was 2019.

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