

Whitney

2ND YEAR

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On every team there is someone whose energy and zest for life inspires everyone they encounter. Within Football's Fabulous Females, we celebrate Whitney for doing just that. Known for her sparkling smile and infectious laugh, she captivates every room she struts into. She never shies away from new experiences and strives each day to create new memories. When reflecting on her two seasons as a Raiderette, Whitney remains grateful for each moment, often asking, "Is this real life?"

Growing up, she studied gymnastics and developed a foundation of work ethic and confidence. Whitney pursued the sport for six years until she discovered her love for dancing. At nine years old she began competing and exploring various styles, ultimately discovering her passion for Hip Hop. As she began high school, she joined the dance team and found she thrived off the energy of an audience. This realization motivated her to take additional classes as preparation for a pro sports team audition. In 2018 she became a Jazz Dancer, cheering on the NBA's Utah Jazz. Throughout her season on the court, she remained incredibly grateful for her biggest cheerleaders, her family.

Whitney's hometown of Provo, Utah sits delicately in between grandiose mountains, providing not only a beautiful backdrop, but the perfect playground for an adventurous child. As one of seven siblings, she learned from a young age how to hold her own outside in nature. Her entire family enjoys exploring the great outdoors and has done so for many years. Some of Whitney's favorite hobbies include snowboarding, hiking, four-wheeling, boating, and flying. A little-known fact about the blonde bombshell is that she can fly a plane. She and her dad not only bond over their love of the Raiders, but over this skill that was handed down from father to daughter.

When she is not outside exploring, she can be found studying as she is currently working towards her Bachelor of Science in Business Management from Western Governor University. With the hopes of being a business owner, she believes this degree will propel her to the next level of success. Upon graduation, she plans on creating a clothing line for young girls. This line is sure to feature all things fun and frill, a direct reflection of her iconic style and personality.

Not only does she elevate our team with her impeccable performances, but also with her jokes. Whitney is never one to shy away from a good pun and loves to make people laugh. On numerous occasions, she has graced us at practice with a different persona. Whether it be showing up at practice dressed as Darth Vader or Bob Ross, she pulls the look off perfectly head-to-toe. Her energy is palpable and shines so brightly both on and off the field.

As a Raiderette, she finds meeting members of the community to be the best part of the job. With every person she encounters, she takes the time to not only listen to their story, but to make them feel special. Being an inaugural Las Vegas Raiderette has instilled in Whitney the desire to grow the Raider Nation fan base in our new home. "I believe the Raiders and the people of Las Vegas are coming together to make a great impact on the city, and I feel so honored to be a part of it."

