## Annalise

Annalise's journey in dance began at two years old, as a result of the inspiration by her older sisters. She trained and competed in various dance styles throughout her childhood, but it was in high school that she discovered her love for cheerleading while being a part of the pom team. This love continued to flourish in college, as a member of the Fresno State Dance Team while simultaneously pursuing a degree in business management.

After graduating, Annalise started her own rhinestone business, which specializes in designing graduation caps, where her creativity and attention to detail have made her a sought-after artist in this niche market. Additionally, she has been feeding into her love of dance and movement, working as a cheer coach for her former high school, and with the United Spirit Association as a song/pom instructor.

Motivated by her lifelong dream of becoming an NFL cheerleader, Annalise auditioned for the Raiderettes. Being selected as a Raiderette fulfilled her dreams and introduced her to a sisterhood of supportive and caring teammates.

One of Annalise's most rewarding experiences has been coaching cheer at her alma mater. Witnessing the growth of her cheerleaders, both in their skills and character development, has been incredibly fulfilling, and giving back to the community that shaped her as a dancer has been a driving force in her journey.

Looking ahead, Annalise has ambitious career goals. She aspires to become a data analyst while continuing to build her rhinestone business, and she hopes to also continue sharing her passion of dance and cheer with others.

To young dancers aspiring to follow in her footsteps, Annalise offers this advice: never give up on your dreams and remember that timing is everything. It took her years after graduating college to find the courage to audition for the Raiderettes. Despite her initial fears, she pushed herself to go for it, and it turned out to be the most amazing experience of her life. She encourages young dancers to believe in themselves and take that leap of faith.

Annalise is a shining example of perseverance, talent, and dedication. As the Raiderette of the Game, she represents the spirit and determination of the Raiderettes, and embodies the true essence of being a supportive and dedicated teammate.