



Uniforms, instruments, flags, marching, playing... It really mattered when the band combined them. Junior Jaquawna Terry, Drum Majorette, disagreed with the concept that practice makes perfect. "Practice does not make perfect. Perfect practice makes perfect. Our saying is, 'Practice wrong, do it long. Practice right, do it light!'" This certainly held true this year. The Band of Blue won first place in Bands Across the Savannah; first place in Class 4A for High Color Guard, Drum Major, Music, Drumline, and Hornline; and first place at the Lowcountry Invitational Marching Festival.

"Marching season is so intense for band kids; we practice hard from the end of July to the end of October with the hopes of having a show that impresses judges enough to think we're the best, and before we know it... marching season's over," said Junior Brittany Smith. However, all the long hours seemed to pay off. "It's worth it when we win, and even if we don't," Senior Drum Majorette Courtney Ferguson said.

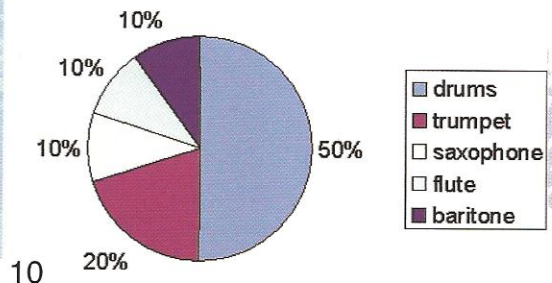
Freshman Color Guard member Amanda Floresca said, "The biggest difference between this year and last year is my respect for the band. Last year, my eighth grade year, I could only watch the band but this year I'm in the band and it's made a whole lot of difference for me."

There was also a change made to Big Blue this year. Mr. Young retired, and Mr. Finigan stepped up as Band Director. "It is really different but he is doing a really great job," Senior Brittany Stephens said.

-Meredith Foss



If you could play any instrument other than your own, what would it be?



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