

The Screamin' Eagles Marching at State as they defeat Columbine. The Eagles were able to defeat their rivals at state and take home a ranking.

Screamin' Eagles Take State

The Dakota Ridge Screamin' Eagles Marching Band, consisting of brass, woodwinds, percussion, and color guard, has had an outstanding season that started in August of this year that started in August and is just now wrapping up at the end of October with state. The Eagles placed third at regionals, moving them on to compete at state this weekend out, October 27th at The United States Air Force Academy, competing at CBA (Colorado Band Association) along with the other high schools in Colorado.

Many of the students are waiting for both state, and the season, to end, as they prepared for band every day over the past week.

"I am excited for the experience...I love the community so much," junior color guard member Raven Meyers said.

The community continues to work together even for the director to notice, "I am so proud of 'Our Little Band' continuing to work together," band director Dylan Ford said.



Screamin' Eagles march mid performance at The Air Force Academy. They were set back after the minor cancellation on Friday October 27, the 29th but were still able to march and get back despite the weather. Courtesy of the DRHS instrumental music Facebook account. (caption)

Many members of the marching band are sad to see the season end because they love the community so much. "(It's) the best community in Dakota Ridge…really wonderful and supportive," Meyers said.

Samuel Brinkman, a junior who plays baritone and is in his first year in marching band, says he's excited about the future. "I'm looking forward to seeing how far our band has come," Brinkman said.

The Eagles ended up placing tenth in the state of Colorado after qualifying for semifinals on Friday, October 27th, and beating Columbine in the 4A Colorado Band Association rankings after the finals were canceled due to the snow.

"The students are doing the right work and are moving things in the right direction as we continue to recover, grow, and set new goals as a band," Ford said. As the season wraps up for the marching band, and winter percussion begins.