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# Press Release

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## **EWA STANDS OUT AT INTERNATIONAL MEET**

**ALLEN, TX:** Seven gymnasts from the Eagle's Wings Athletics (EWA) girls gymnastics team traveled to Miami, Florida to compete in the International Invitational hosted by Universal Gymnastics January 10. They brought home seven gold medals and two team trophies, topping all other gyms in all-around scores.

Three EWA gymnasts competed in the level 8 age 9-10 division. Heather Udowitch won four gold medals and won an extra award for the highest level 8 all-around score - 37.125. She won gold on vault (9.425), uneven parallel bars (9.525) and floor exercise(9.4), and took bronze on balance beam (8.775). Cori Guerrero was the balance beam champion with a score of 9.725. She also placed second on floor (9.4), vault (9.05) and all-around (36.45), and third on bars (8.275). Taking third all-around (35.7) was Arynne Dugan who took silver on beam (9.325) and bars (9.0), and bronze on floor (8.8) and vault (8.575).

The team award is given to the team that has the highest all-around combined total from their top three gymnasts. The level 8 team won the first place team award, beating out several teams with older level 8 gymnasts and who had more than three girls competing.

Emily Howe was the only EWA level 9 gymnast, as two teammates were unable to compete due to injury. Emily earned second place on floor exercise (9.2) and third place on balance beam (8.775).

The level 10 team also brought home a first place team trophy. Jessica Howe was the bars (9.425) and beam (9.6) champion, and placed third all-around (36.7). Nickie Guerrero took silver on floor exercise (9.45). Makenzie Johnson had a high score of 9.225 on vault.

The level 7 team competed closer to home the same day in a meet hosted by Zenith Gymnastics in McKinney. Elizabeth Ritchie led the Jr. A division with first place wins on uneven bars (9.65), floor (9.5) and all-around (38.125). She also took second on beam (9.525). Jordan Williams was the beam champion (9.575) and earned silver medals for vault (9.5), floor (9.4), bars (9.2) and all-around (37.675). In the Jr. B division, Cambry Lohmann placed third in the all-around (37.5), took second on bars (9.55) third on floor (9.475) and tied for third on beam (9.275) with teammate Cassidy Keelen.

Tatiana Schegolkova, Alex Atamas and Virginia Oas coach the girls USA Gymnastics teams at Eagle's Wings Athletics.

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