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## News Release

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## GT Bay Gymnastics Collects Winter Gold

(Mt Pleasant, MI) – Grand Traverse Bay gymnasts brought home six championship gold medals and four team championships from the Winter Cup Class in Mt Pleasant this past weekend.

USAG Level 6 competitor Skylar Hawkins led the team with an all-around gold medal championship score of 37.325, supported by event gold medals on vault and floor. Zahra Mitchell placed second all-around behind Hawkins with a score of 37.150 and a silver medal for her floor routine, as well as a bronze medal on vault. This was the second one-two championship finish in a row for Mitchell and Hawkins, the previous meet being tilted in Mitchell's favor by just one tenth of a point.

At Level 4, younger sister Naima Mitchell also earned a gold medal on vault, as well as a silver medal on floor. McKenna Gelas also stood atop the podium with a gold medal for her Level 7 vault, and Payton Crane won a gold medal championship on floor at Level 9.

Other Grand Traverse Bay individual medal winners included Olivia Crane (Level 7 bronze medal on vault), Sophia Tucker (Level 9 silver medal on bars and third place bronze all-around), and Avery Wisniewski (Level 10 silver medal on bars).

Team championships were contributed at Level 6 vault and floor by Skylar Hawkins, Zahra Mitchell, Tabitha Pritchard, Zoe Butler, Maeve Carlson, and Lilah Groves; Level 4 vault by Lily Doornbos, Addie Tillman, Naima Mitchell, Sarah Sheeran, Sophie Olson, Marlee Travis, and Norah Reed; and Level 9 floor by Sophia Tucker, Payton Crane, and Montana Timmer.

Additional Grand Traverse Bay competitors were Izzy Brooks (Level 7 seventh place all-around), Wessyn Cnossen (Level 7 fifth place beam), Macie Macnowski (Level 3 tenth place vault), Henri Cnossen, Stella Livorine, and Margaux Slater.

The Grand Traverse Bay Gymnastics teams next compete at the Athlete Warrior Challenge in Warren, MI January 27 - 29. For more information about Grand Traverse Bay Gymnastics, now located in the Grand Traverse Mall, go to [www.gtbaygymnastics.com](http://www.gtbaygymnastics.com), or contact Betsy Van Deirse at 929-2869.

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**Level 4 Team Vault Champions**



**Level 6 Team Vault and Floor Champions**



**Level 9 Team Floor Champions**



**Skylar Hawkins – Vault, Floor, and All-Around Champion**

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