

Granger Rickenbaker, 11, has been skating on ice and playing hockey ever since he was 3 years old. "My skates have blue laces on them which represent the colors of my home team," Rickenbaker said.

Miles Cary, 9, is on the varsity wrestling team at Wanda. "Wrestling is special to me because it's such a personal sport and knowing you are physically more in shape and that you practice more than your opponent has so much meaning," Cary said.

Skylar Blackstock, 10, is on the girls varsity basketball team and has been playing basketball with her family ever since she was 3. "I can be shy sometimes so I have fun shoes which show more of my outgoing side," Blackstock said.

Julia Ann Kennedy, 11, has been a baller dancer nearly her entire life and continues to dance. "Ballet is a fun way to express myself and to be artistic. My pointe shoes have marks and scrapes on them which remind me of when I messed up and it motivates me to do better," Kennedy said.

Logan Chalfe, 11, plays on the boys varsity soccer team. "I play soccer because I really enjoy it and it fuels my soul. My cleats help express myself because they are plain like me," Chalfe said.

Liza Coffey, 12, has been running for a long time. She is on both the cross country and Wanda track team and runs because it is a great way to meet new people and stay in shape. "Since we all wear the same uniform, my shoes are a way to express myself because they are different than everyone else's," Coffey said.

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Student athletes describe how they express themselves through their shoes

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