Muskegon Community College

2013-2014 Softball

Jayhawks

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Women's Softball Season

Friday	2/28	NFCA Lead Off Classic	Columbus, GA	
		vs. Des Moines CC		5:00 pm
		vs. Wallace-Hanceville CC		7:30 pm
Saturday	3/1	NFCA Lead Off Classic	Columbus, GA	
		vs. San Jacinto		10:00 am
		Bracket Play		TBD
Sunday	3/2	NFCA Lead Off Classic	Columbus, GA	
		Bracket Play		TBD
Friday	**3/21**	**GRAND RAPIDS CC**	**Muskegon, MI**	**3:00 pm**
Saturday	3/22	@ JACKSON CC	Jackson, MI	1:00 pm
Sunday	3/23	@ Owens CC	Toledo, OH	1:00 pm
Thursday	3/27	@ Davenport University JV	Grand Rapids, MI	5:00 pm
Friday	3/28	@ GLEN OAKS CC	Centreville, MI	3:00 pm
Saturday	**3/29**	**ANCILLA COLLEGE**	**Muskegon, MI**	**1:00 pm**
Friday	4/4	@ LANSING CC	Lansing, MI	3:00 pm
Saturday	4/5	@ Kankakee Tournament	Kankakee, IL	TBD
Sunday	4/6	@ Kankakee Tournament	Kankakee, IL	TBD
Tuesday	4/8	@ KALAMAZOO VALLEY CC	Kalamazoo, MI	3:00 pm
Friday	4/11	@ GRAND RAPIDS CC	Grand Rapids, MI	3:00 pm
Saturday	**4/12**	**JACKSON CC**	**Muskegon, MI**	**1:00 pm**
Tuesday	4/15	@ LAKE MICHIGAN COLLEGE	Benton Harbor, MI	3:00 pm
Thursday	**4/17**	**Davenport University JV**	**Muskegon, MI**	**3:00 pm**
Friday	**4/18**	**GLEN OAKS CC**	**Muskegon, MI**	**3:00 pm**
Saturday	4/19	@ ANCILLA COLLEGE	Donaldson, IN	1:00 pm
Friday	**4/25**	**LANSING CC**	**Muskegon, MI**	**3:00 pm**
Saturday	**4/26**	**KELLOGG CC**	**Muskegon, MI**	**1:00 pm**
Sunday	**4/27**	**LAKE MICHIGAN COLLEGE**	**Muskegon, MI**	**12:00 pm**
Tuesday	**4/29**	**KALAMAZOO VALLEY CC**	**Muskegon, MI**	**3:00 pm**
Thursday	5/1	@ KELLOGG CC	Battle Creek, MI	3:00 pm
Saturday	5/3	MCCAA State Tournament	Lansing, MI	TBD
Thursday-Saturday	5/8-10	NJCAA Region 12 Tournament	Lansing, MI	TBD
Tuesday-Saturday	5/13-18	NJCAA DII National Tournament	Clinton, MS	TBD

Home Games in Bold
CONFERENCE GAMES IN ALL CAPS

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Women's Softball Roster

#	Name	Ht	Yr	Hometown
1	Meghan Birr	5'9"	Fr	Muskegon, MI
2	Caten Teff	5'6	Fr	Alpena, MI
5	Hayley Brockelbank	5'4"	Fr	Ludington, MI
6	Amanda Chaffee	5'4"	So	Bath, MI
7	Megan VanderWal	5'8"	So	Muskegon, MI
8	Emily Peake	5'3"	So	Muskegon, MI
11	Emily Manchester	5'7"	So	Muskegon, MI
12	Jessica Gillings	5'6"	So	Muskegon, MI
13	Sydney Tharp	5'7"	So	Muskegon, MI
18	Sarah Ferenz	5'10"	Fr	Muskegon, MI
19	Megan Jean	5'9"	Fr	Sault Ste. Marie, MI
22	Abby Rodriguez	5'6"	Fr	Shelby, MI
25	Alyson Behnke	5'0"	Fr	Charlotte, MI
34	Mary Giudice	5'2"	So	Muskegon, MI

Team Honors

MCCAA State Champions	2012
NJCAA Division II District G Regional Champions	2012
NJCAA Division II National Tournament Appearance	2012
MCCAA Western Conference Champions	2011
MCCAA Western Conference Champions	2010
MCCAA State Champions	2010
NJCAA Division II District G Regional Champions	2010
NJCAA Division II National Champions	2010

Individual Honors

Brooke Agers	2013	All American
Kayti Carlson	2013	All American
Danielle Basch	2012	All American
Dana Briggs	2012	All American
Katlynn Burns	2012	All American
Caitlin Dekker	2011	All American
Chelsea Kurnat	2011	All American
Ashley White	2010	All American
Ashley Melchert	2010	All American
Whitney Stratton	2010	All American
Ashley Pickel	2010	Adidas Golden Shoe Award Winner *(stolen bases)*

Head Coach

Ryan Schalk is starting his sixth season with the Jayhawks and his first as the Head Coach. He works primarily with the infielders and bunter/slappers while coordinating multiple fundraisers for the team. Ryan has worked with both boys and girls of all age groups as a basketball, baseball and softball coach. For the past four summers Ryan has organized and run the Lakeshore Summer Softball Camp at Muskegon Community College. He also previously organized a basketball camp at Oakridge High School. This past year, he became the Director of Fast Pitch Softball at Softball World in Muskegon. He started a fall fast pitch league for middle school and high school ages this past year and will be expanding on that this year including running an 18 and up fast pitch league. He is also an instructor for Michigan Blue Chip Softball Camps which is a camp business that runs college exposure camps throughout the state of Michigan.

Ryan graduated from Oakridge High School in 2005 where he played basketball and baseball for four years. His baseball career was highlighted by advancing to the State Semi-Finals in 2004. His Senior year he earned various honors including all conference, all district, and all area as an infielder. Ryan was nominated as the Male Athlete of the year for the Muskegon Sports Hall of Fame as well as Showcase Athlete of the Year and Male Athlete of the Year at Oakridge High School. He was also Academic All Conference in basketball and graduated 8th in his class.

Ryan attended Muskegon Community College where he received his Associates degree in Science and Arts in 2008. He currently attends Grand Valley State University where he is pursuing a degree in education.

Assistant Coach

Kelsey Bandstra is starting her third season coaching with the Jayhawks after previously playing for two years for MCC. She was part of the 2010 National Championship Team, and in 2011 the team finished as Co-Conference Champions. Her responsibilities this year are working with pitchers and helping the team in any other way. She also is a pitching instructor at ProBall where she trains pitchers of all ages.

Kelsey graduated from Rogers High School in 2009 where she played softball and bowled for four years. Her Junior year her softball team finished Runners- Up in the State Tournament. She was named First Team All Conference for 3 years, and First Team All State her Junior and Senior year. Her bowling team made it to state all 4 years for team event and individuals. Every year her team finished in the top 8, and she individually finished in the top 10. After high school Kelsey played on a Big- League World Series Team in 2010. Her team went on to win the World Series beating the Philippines 14-4.

Kelsey is continuing her education at Davenport University where she is studying Sports Management.

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Meghan Birr, Freshman

Parents: Mike & Tanya
Hometown: Muskegon, MI
Major: Elementary Education
Goal: Leave a positive impact on our future generation
Favorite Athlete: Austin Jackson
Role Model: My Mom
Favorite Quote: "In order to succeed, your desire for success should be greater than your fear of failure"

Caten Teff, Freshman

Parents: Bryan & Andrea Teff
Hometown: Alpena, MI
Major: Nursing
Goal: To fulfill God's plan for myself while inspiring others in a positive way
Favorite Athlete: Aaron Rodgers
Role Model: My Parents
Favorite Quote: "Take pride in how far you have come, have faith in how far you can go"

Hayley Brockelbank, Freshman

Parents: Steve & Heidi Brockelbank
Hometown: Ludington, MI
Major: Undecided
Goal: Have a family and pursue a career that I love
Favorite Athlete: Tori Hunter
Role Model: My Parents
Favorite Quote: "It's hard to beat a person who never gives up"

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Amanda Chaffee, Sophomore

Parents: Ann & Carl Chaffee
Hometown: Bath, MI
Major: Special Education
Goal: To make a difference in whatever I do
Favorite Athlete: Kelsey Bandstra
Role Model: My mother, Ann Chaffee.
Favorite Quote: "It is good to have an end to a journey; but it is the journey that matters in the end"

Megan VanderWal, Sophomore

Parents: Doug & Rosemary VanderWal
Hometown: Muskegon, MI
Major: Undecided
Goal: Be confident in my life decisions
Favorite Athlete: Justin Verlander
Role Model: My Parents
Favorite Quote: "An arrow can only be shot by pulling it backward, so when life is dragging you back with difficulties it means that it's going to launch you into something great. So just focus and keep aiming"

Emily Peake, Sophomore

Parents: Raymond Peake & Melody Lane
Hometown: Muskegon, MI
Major: Nursing
Goal: To be successful
Favorite Athlete: Jose Iglesias
Role Model: My Parents
Favorite Quote: "Believe you can and you're half way there"

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Emily Manchester, Freshman

Parents: ..... Vicki & Don Manchester
Hometown: ..... Muskegon, MI
Major: ..... Undecided
Goal: ..... To become the best person I can be and the best friend I can be
Favorite Athlete: ..... Hope Solo
Role Model: ..... My parents and Coach Houseman
Favorite Quote: ..... "Better stand tall when they're calling you out; don't bend, don't break, baby don't back down"

Jessica Gillings, Sophomore

Parents: ..... Jim & Mary Gillings
Hometown: ..... Muskegon, MI
Major: ..... Physical Therapy
Goal: ..... To be successful and love what I am doing
Favorite Athlete: ..... Haylie McCleney
Role Model: ..... Grandma Bell
Favorite Quote: ..... "Go confidently in the direction of your dreams. Live the life you have imagined"

Sydney Tharp, Sophomore

Parents: ..... Kathy & Brian Tharp
Hometown: ..... Muskegon, MI
Major: ..... Pre-Med
Goal: ..... To bring happiness and make a difference wherever I go
Favorite Athlete: ..... Lauren Chamberlain
Role Model: ..... My Parents
Favorite Quote: ..... "Champions are built on a thousand invisible mornings"

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Sarah Ferenz, Freshman

Parents: ..... Jim & Melissa Ferenz
Hometown: ..... Muskegon, MI
Major: ..... Secondary Education
Goal: ..... Have a happy life surrounded by people that I love
Favorite Athlete: ..... Amanda Chidester
Role Model: ..... My mom and dad
Favorite Quote: ..... "God gives his toughest battles to his strongest soldiers"

Megan Jean, Freshman

Parents: ..... Steve & Vicki Jean
Hometown: ..... Sault Ste. Marie, MI
Major: ..... Psychology
Goal: ..... Play in the Olympics
Favorite Athlete: ..... Jennie Finch or Lauren Chamberlain
Role Model: ..... Kyle Jean
Favorite Quote: ..... "Don't give up, the beginning is always the hardest"

Abby Rodriguez, Freshman

Parents: ..... Joey and Katy Rodriguez
Hometown: ..... Shelby, MI
Major: ..... Undecided
Goal: ..... Continue playing sports at a 4 year university, while getting a good education.
Favorite Athlete: ..... Austin Jackson
Role Model: ..... My parents
Favorite Quote: ..... "It is never too late to be what you might have been."
– George Eliot

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Alyson Behnke, Freshman

Parents: ..... Laura & Bill Behnke
Hometown: ..... Charlotte, MI
Major: ..... Undecided
Goal: ..... To become a published author
Favorite Athlete: ..... Derek Jeter
Role Model: ..... My Parents
Favorite Quote: ..... "What's the point of being alive if you don't at least try to do something remarkable?"

Mary Giudice, Sophomore

Parents: ..... Robert & Susan Giudice
Hometown: ..... Muskegon, MI
Major: ..... Nuclear Medicine
Goal: ..... Work at Helen Devos Children's Hospital in the nuclear med. department
Favorite Athlete: ..... Liz Heaston
Role Model: ..... My Father
Favorite Quote: ..... "The best revenge is massive success"

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Nickname ..... Jayhawks
Colors ..... Royal Blue & Gold
Gym ..... Bartels-Rode Gymnasium
Affiliation ..... NJCAA Region XII - MCCAA Western Conference
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Dan Potts & Scott VanderWerp *(Volleyball)*
John Arter *(Wrestling)*
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Television Producer ..... Rod VanNortwick

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