

# SOFTBALL 2016-17 RECAPS

## Softball NJCAA Region XII tournament

May 10

Jayhawks defeat Kellogg CC, lose to Cuyahoga CC and KVCC to end season.

The Jayhawk softball team won their opening round game against Kellogg Community College 6-2, but a 6-4 loss to top seed Cuyahoga Community College sent them into the losers bracket. MCC returned to the field on Thursday at 3:00 pm against Kalamazoo Valley CC with the winner advancing and the loser going home. KVCC was able to pull out a 4-3 victory, which ended the Jayhawk's 2016-17 season. MCC finishes the season with a very respectable 30-16 record.

Sophomore Morgan Engelsman (Zeeland West HS) got the start in games 1 and 3 and she also came in in relief in game 2. She was the workhorse of the Jayhawk pitching staff and the team will miss her tremendously. Bri Mairose (Ogemaw Hts. HS) finished the tournament 5-12, Taylor Schmitt (Fowler HS) was 4-10, Dani Oracz (Caledonia HS) was 3-7 with 2 home runs and Carrie Mesman (Grandville HS) was 3-10.

## Softball DH Home vs. Lake Michigan College

May 4 @ 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm

MCC sweeps LMC in last regular season doubleheader, 3-2 and 8-7.

It was a pitching dual in game one with Muskegon Community College's Morgan Engelsman (Zeeland West HS) coming out on top of a 3-2 victory. The Jayhawks had a tough time solving the Red Hawk's pitcher, who racked up 10 strike outs, but a Kyla Dutcher (North Branch HS) single in the bottom of the 7th scored the winning run for the walk off win. Bri Mairose (Ogemaw Hts. HS) continued to swing the hot bat with a 2-3 game and Dutcher added another hit to finish 2-4.

In game two it was a combination of starter Kirstin Johnson (Lakeview HS) and reliever Nicole Koczenasz (St. Louis HS) to pitch the Jayhawks to the 8-7 win. Lake Michigan outhit the Jayhawks 12-9 but timely MCC hitting combined with a Red Hawk error in the bottom of the 6th was enough to give the Jayhawks the win. Mairose finished the game 4-4 with 2 doubles, a home run and 4 RBI and Dutcher was 1-2. The Jayhawks also got doubles from Carrie Mesman (Grandville HS) and Alysia Folkersma (Kingsley HS).

MCC finishes the regular season with a record of 22-10 in the conference and 29-14 overall. They are off until Wednesday, 5/10 when they open Region XII play at Lansing's Ranney Park against #5 seed Kellogg Community College at 2:00 pm.

## Briana Mairose Named National Player of the Week

May 4 @ 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

Briana Mairose Named National Player of the Week

Muskegon Community College sophomore Briana Mairose from West Branch, MI, was named the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) Division II Player of the Week for April 24-30. The announcement was made May 3.

A graduate of Ogemaw Heights who plays first base for the Jayhawks, Mairose batted .632 with three home runs, a pair of doubles and six RBI during the week.

MCC is now 27-14 overall and 20-10 in the conference and has earned a spot in the NJCAA Region XII Tournament on May 10-12 in Lansing, MI.

### **Softball DH Home vs. Jackson College**

April 29 @ 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

MCC sweeps Jackson College, 13-1 (5) and 7-3 to clinch a Regional berth.

Muskegon Community College pounded out 16 hits in game one and Morgan Engelsman (Zeeland West HS) only allowed 2 hits en route to the 5 inning victory. Bri Mairose (Ogemaw Hts. HS) and Yogi Hang (Grand Haven HS) both collected 3 hits for MCC and Taylor Schmitt (Fowler HS), Alessa Buchner (Oakridge HS) and Lex Melton (Lake Fenton HS) all added 2 hits each for the Jayhawks.

In game two it was an all sophomore starting line-up in honor of sophomore day. Engelsman started on the mound but was replaced by Kirsten Johnson (Lakeview HS) in the 2nd inning and she threw the rest of the game, scattering 6 hits and not allowing an earned run. Mairose continued to be a tough out for the opposition, adding 3 more hits, including a 1st inning home run and a double for 2 RBI. Carrie Mesman (Grandville HS) was 2-3 and Morgan Nelson (North Muskegon HS) added a key single and 2 RBI.

The Jayhawks are now 20-10 in the Western Conference and 27-14 overall. They finished the regular season with a home doubleheader against Lake Michigan College on Tuesday, 5/2. First pitch is 3:00 pm.

With the sweep the Jayhawks qualify for the Region XII tournament that will take place at Ranney Park in Lansing, MI. The tournament opens on Wednesday, 5/10 and runs through Friday, 5/12.

### **Softball DH @ Grand Rapids Community College**

April 28 @ 3:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Softball sweeps GRCC, 16-0 (5 innings) and 8-3.

Muskegon Community College exploded for 16 runs on 15 hits and they were able to take advantage of multiple GRCC errors for the mercy rule game. Morgan Engelsman (Zeeland West HS) continued to dominate on the mound, giving up only 1 hit and 1 walk in her 5 innings of work. She was supported by Savanah Smith (Grandville HS) who was a perfect 4 for 4 with 2 triples and 3 RBI. Bri Mairose (Ogemaw Hts. HS) continued her hot streak with a 2-3, 1 home run, 3 RBI game. MCC also got 2 hits each from Yogi Hang (Grand Haven HS), Carrie Mesman (Grandville HS) and Lex Melton (Lake Fenton HS).

In game two Kirsten Johnson (Lakeview HS) got the call on the mound and she responded with a complete game victory, scattering 7 hits over 7 innings of work. GRCC pitching cooled off the Jayhawk bats somewhat, but they still picked up 9 hits for the game. Kyla Dutcher (North Branch HS) was 2-4 with 2 RBI and Mesman was 2-3 with 2 RBI to lead the Jayhawk hitters.

MCC is now 18-10 in conference play and 25-14 overall. With the 2 wins they clinched a spot in the NJCAA Region XII tournament in Lansing, MI on 5-10-12, but first they host Jackson College in a doubleheader on Saturday, 4/29. First pitch is scheduled for noon.

### **Softball DH Home vs. Kalamazoo Valley Community College**

April 25 @ 3:00 pm - 8:00 pm

MCC drops two games to KVCC, 5-1 and 5-1.

Game one was a classic pitchers dual for 6 innings. MCC scored once in the bottom of the 4th on a Dani Oracz (Caledonia HS) RBI single, then KVCC scored twice in the top of the 5th with a 2 run home run. The score stayed the same until the top of the 7th when KVCC tacked on 3 more for the final score of 5-1. Each team finished the game with 6 hits. Bri Mairose (Ogemaw Hts. HS) was the only Jayhawk with multiple hits; she finished 2-3. Kyla Dutcher (North Branch HS), Alexis Melton (Lake Fenton HS), Oracz and Alysia Folkersma (Kingsley HS) each had singles for the Jayhawks.

In game two KVCC jumped out to quick 3-0 lead after two innings and the Jayhawk bats couldn't get rolling in the 5-1 loss. Mairose picked up the only extra base hit in either game for MCC with a 6th inning home run. Folkersma finished the game 2-2 and Taylor Schmitt (Fowler HS) and Yogi Hang (Grand Haven HS) both added singles.

MCC is now 14-10 in conference play and 22-14 overall. They travel to GRCC on Friday for a doubleheader with a 3:00 pm start.

### **Softball DH Home vs. Kellogg Community College**

April 22 @ 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

MCC split 2 games with Kellogg CC, winning game one 2-1 before dropping game two 11-7.

In game one it was Morgan Engelsman (Zeeland West HS) with the 5 hit, complete game victory. The game was a classic pitcher's dual with Kellogg Community College jumping out to a 1-0 lead after 1 inning and MCC scoring 1 in the bottom of the 3rd and 5th for the margin of victory. Briana Mairose (Ogemaw Hts. HS) continued her scorching hot week at the plate with a perfect 3-3, 1 RBI game. Taylor Schmitt (Fowler HS), Kyla Dutcher (North Branch HS) and Carrie Mesman (Grandville HS) all added hits for the Jayhawks.

Game two was the complete opposite with Kellogg CC banging out 14 hits and the Jayhawks picking up 9 hits in the back and forth affair. Both teams were sloppy in the field with each committing 4 errors. Mairose was almost perfect on the day with 3 more hits in 4 at bats. Dutcher added a home run and 2 RBI and Alessa Buchner (Oakridge HS) also had a hit and 2 RBI.

MCC is now 16-8 in conference play and 23-12 overall. They return to the field on Tuesday, 4/25 when they host 2nd place Kalamazoo Valley Community College. First pitch is scheduled for 3:00 pm.

### **Softball DH Home vs. Lansing Community College**

April 21 @ 3:00 pm - 8:00 pm

The Jayhawks sweep league leading Lansing CC, 5-0 and 6-2.

In game one MCC was able to take advantage of 4 Lansing errors and solid pitching from Morgan Engelsman (Zeeland West HS) on the way to the win. The Jayhawks scored 3 runs in the bottom of the first for a lead they would never surrender. They added runs in the 2nd and 3rd innings. Engelsman kept the Lansing hitters off balance the entire game and only gave up 3 hits while striking out 9. MCC managed only 4 hits but the big blow was the 1st inning 3 run homer by Yogi Hang (Grand Haven HS). Bri Mairose (Ogemaw Hts. HS) finished the game 2-3.

In game two it was Kirsten Johnson (Lakeview HS) with the complete game victory. She gave up 2 runs in the 1st but then settled in and kept LCC off balance the rest of the way. Mairose carried the big bat with a 3 run home run in the 3rd inning. She finished the game 2-3 with a total of 5 RBI. Alysia Folkersma (Kingsley HS) and Lindsey Greer (Reed City HS) were both also 2-3 for the game.

The Jayhawks are now 15-7 in the Western Conference and 22-11 overall. They host Kellogg Community College on Saturday, 4/22 with first pitch scheduled for 1:00 pm.

### **Softball DH @ Ancilla College**

April 15 @ 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Jayhawks take two games from Ancilla College, 6-0 and 10-3

MCC scored 6 runs which was enough for Morgan Engelsman (Zeeland West HS) to pick up another victory on the mound. Engelsman carried a no-hitter into the 5th inning and gave up only 2 hits in the game. Bri Mairose (Ogemaw Hts. HS), Kyla Dutcher (North Branch HS) and Savannah Smith (Grandville HS) all had 2 hits in the win. Taylor Schmitt (Fowler HS) and Alessa Buchner (Oakridge HS) both picked up 2 RBI for the Jayhawks.

In game two it was Kirsten Johnson (Lakeview HS) and Nicole Koczenasz (St. Louis HS) teaming up on the mound for the victory. Johnson threw 4 innings giving up only 3 hits and Koczenasz finished the final 3 innings and gave up only 2 hits. The top of the order was a combined 7-10 for the game with Schmitt going 3-5 and Buchner finishing 4-5 with 3 RBI. Mairose also picked up 2 RBI with a home run into a stiff wind blowing in.

The Jayhawks are now 13-7 (good for 3rd place) in the Western Conference and 20-11 overall. They are off until Friday, 4/21 when Lansing Community College comes into town for a huge doubleheader. First pitch is 3:00 pm.

### **Softball DH Home vs. Glen Oaks Community College**

April 14 @ 3:00 pm - 8:00 pm

MCC sweeps Glen Oaks Community College, 8-0 and 13-5.

In game one Morgan Engelsman (Zeeland West) picked up the win with a 6 inning, 9 strike out victory. The offense was led by Yogi Hang (Grand Haven HS) who was a perfect 3-3 at the plate with a home run, a double and 3 RBI. Kyla Dutcher (North Branch HS) was 2-3 with 3 RBI, Bri Mairose (Ogemaw Hts. HS) was 2-3 and Alessa Buchner (Oakridge HS) was 2-4. The Jayhawks outhit Glen Oaks 13-6.

In game two the Jayhawks continued to swing the bats, pounding out 17 more hits. Nicole Koczenasz (St. Louis HS) picked up the win with 5 innings of steady work. Mairose continued her hot streak at the plate with another 4-5, 4 RBI game. Carrie Mesman (Grandville HS) was 3-4 with 2 RBI and Dutcher, Taylor Schmitt (Fowler HS), and Alysia Folkersma (Kingsley HS) all added 2 hits each.

### **Softball DH @ Lake Michigan College**

April 11 @ 3:00 pm - 8:00 pm

MCC softball splits double header at Lake Michigan College.

Muskegon Community College was on the road for two games with Lake Michigan College and each team won by identical 4-2 scores. In game one MCC scored a run in the 2nd and 4th innings and 2 runs in the 5th for the 4-2 win. Morgan Engelsman (Zeeland West HS) was the winning pitching with a 4 hit complete game effort. Kyla Dutcher (North Branch HS) was 2-3 with 2 doubles and 2 RBI and 5 other Jayhawks added hits, including a home run from Alexis Melton (Lake Fenton HS) and a pinch hit single by Alysia Folkersma (Kingsley HS).

In game two it was the Redhawks with the 4-2 win. MCC wasted a strong pitching performance from Kirsten Johnson (Lakeview HS) who held LMC to 5 hits. MCC had 7 hits and had the bases loaded in the 7th but couldn't push across the runs needed to extend the game. Briana Mairose (Ogemaw Hts. HS) was 2-4 and Carrie Mesman (Grandville HS) was 2-3 to lead the Jayhawk attack.

MCC is now 9-7 in conference play and 16-11 overall. They will look to get back to their winning ways with a doubleheader on Friday, 4/15 at home against Glen Oaks Community College. First pitch is scheduled for 3:00 pm.

### **Softball DH @ Lansing Community College**

April 9 @ 12:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Jayhawks lose twice to league leading Lansing Community College, 8-7 and 6-5.

The Jayhawk Softball team traveled to Lansing Community College for a double header. Both teams put on a hitting display with a total of 8 home runs on the day, but MCC found themselves on the wrong end of an 8-7 and 6-5 score.

In game one the Jayhawks failed to take advantage of multiple base runners in the first 4 innings before finally breaking through with 3 runs in the top of the 5th. That would cut the lead to 6-3. LCC scored 2 more in the bottom of the 6th but the Jayhawks never quit. They scored 4 runs in the 7th highlighted by a Carrie Mesman (Grandville HS) 3 run home run, but the comeback bid

fell just short. Bri Mairose (Ogemaw Hts. HS) was a perfect 4-4 at the plate with a home run and 3 RBI. Alessa Buchner (Oakridge HS) finished 3-4 and Mesman was 2-4.

In game two the Jayhawks jumped out to a quick 3 run lead in the first but LCC answered with 4 of their own in the bottom half of the inning. The score stayed 4-3 until Lansing tacked on a run in the 4th. MCC tied the game at 5 each in the 6th inning but the Stars answered again with 1 run in the bottom for a 6-5 lead. MCC made 2 quick outs in the top of the 7th but followed that with 3 straight singles to load the bases, but the Lansing pitcher induced a ground ball for the 3rd out and the Lansing victory. Yogi Hang (Grand Haven HS) had the big bat with a 3-4 day at the plate, including a home run and 4 RBI. Kyla Dutcher (North Branch HS) finished the game 2-3.

The Jayhawks are now 8-6 in the Western Conference and 15-10 overall. They return to action on Tuesday, 4/11 when they travel to Benton Harbor for a doubleheader with Lake Michigan College. First pitch is scheduled for 3:00 pm.

### **Softball DH Home vs. Grand Rapids Community College**

April 7 @ 3:00 pm - 8:00 pm

MCC sweeps GRCC in doubleheader, 12-0 and 4-3.

Muskegon Community College hosted Grand Rapids Community College in a doubleheader that was switched on the schedule to accommodate field conditions. In game one Morgan Engelsman (Zeeland West) threw a 5 inning no-hitter and the Jayhawk offense scored 6 in the second and 6 in the 3rd on the way to the 12-0 victory. Savanah Smith (Grandville HS) was the hitter of the game, going 2-3 with a triple and 3 RBI. Alessa Buchner (Oakridge HS), Kyla Dutcher (North Branch HS) and Yogi Hang (Grand Haven HS) were all also 2-3.

In game two the Jayhawks struggled to score against GRCC pitching, but a walk off 2 run home run by Alexis Melton (Lake Fenton HS) saved the day for the Jayhawks in the 4-3 game. Bri Mairose (Ogemaw Hts. HS) was 2-3 with a triple. Alysia Folkersma (Kingsley HS), Taylor Schmitt (Fowler HS) and Lindsey Greer (Reed City HS) all added hits for the Jayhawks.

MCC is now 8-4 in Western Conference play and 15-8 overall. The travel to Lansing on Sunday, 4/9 for a noon, 2:00 doubleheader with Lansing Community College.

### **Softball DH @ Kalamazoo Valley Community College**

April 4 @ 3:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Jayhawks drop two games at Kalamazoo Valley Community College.

Muskegon Community College lost two heartbreakers at KVCC, 14-12 and 10-9 (8 innings).

In game one MCC jumped out to an early 5-0 lead that they carried into the 4th inning. KVCC scored 3 in the bottom of the 4th but the Jayhawks answered that with 3 more in the 5th. MCC carried a comfortable 6 run lead into the bottom of the 7th but the Cougar bats exploded for 8 runs and the walk-off win in the bottom of the 7th. Bri Mairose (Ogemaw Heights HS) led the Jayhawk offense with a 3-4, 2 double game. Yogi Hang (Grand Haven HS) was 2-4 with 4 RBI, Taylor Schmitt (Fowler HS) was 2-5 and Alessa Buchner (Oakridge HS) had a double and 3 RBI.

In game two it was KVCC who took an early 1-0 lead. MCC scored 1 in the 3rd to tie the game then tacked on 7 more runs in the 4th. Unfortunately it was the Cougars with more late inning fireworks as they put up 5 runs in the 6th, 2 in the 7th to tie the game and 1 in the 8th for the second walk off win of the day. Mairose was again the hit leader for MCC with another 3-4 game, including a home run and 2 RBI. Carrie Mesman (Grandville HS) finished 2-4 with 3 RBI.

MCC is now 6-4 in the Western Conference and 13-8 overall. They return to the field on Friday when they take on Grand Rapids Community College at Belknap Park. First pitch is scheduled for 3:00 pm.

### **Softball DH Home vs. Ancilla College**

April 2 @ 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Jahawks take 2 from Ancilla College on Sunday.

The Jayhawk softball team swept both games from Ancilla College by scores of 9-0 and 11-10.

Morgan Engelsman continued her dominate pitching with the game one victory. She gave up 2 hits while striking out 10 and walking only 1. She got plenty of support from her team, with 8 different players collecting hits, highlighted by a Bri Mairose (Ogemaw Heights HS) home run and an Alysia Folkersma (Kingsley HS) double. The defense was solid for the Jayhawks and the speed was on display with 7 stolen bases.

In game two MCC took an early lead but Ancilla battled back for a 10-9 lead going into the bottom of 7th inning. After the Jayhawks put 2 runners on Bri Mairose (Ogemaw Heights HS) delivered a 2 run double for the walk off win. Mairose also added a 3 run home run for 5 RBI. Savannah Smith finished 4-5 with a triple and 3 stolen bases and both Kyla Dutcher (North Branch HS) and Alysia Folkersma (Kingsley HS) were 3-4 for the game.

MCC is now 6-2 in conference play and 13-6 overall. They return to the field on Tuesday, 4/4 when they travel to Kalamazoo Valley Community College for a game at 3:00 and 5:00 pm.

### **Softball DH @ Kellogg Community College**

April 1 @ 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Softball team splits with Kellogg Community College.

Muskegon Community College won game one 8-0 but let game two slip away by a 6-5 score.

In game one Morgan Engelsman (Zeeland West HS) threw a one hit shutout for the 5 inning win. The game was scoreless until Yogi Hang (Grand Haven HS) connected for a 2-run home run. The Jayhawks were able to tack on 6 additional runs in the top of the 5th, thanks to a Dani Oracz (Caledonia HS) home run, a 2-run single by Alexis Melton (Fenton HS) and an RBI single by Hang.

In game two the Jayhawks led 5-3 going into the 7th inning but Kellogg scored 3 in the bottom half for the walk-off win. MCC only managed 6 hits off KCC pitching but was still in position to win until the pivotal 7th inning. Offensive leaders for the Jayhawks were Savannah Smith (Grandville HS) who was 2-4 with a home run and Bri Mairose (Ogemaw Heights HS) and Morgan Nelson (North Muskegon HS) who were each 1-3 with a double.

MCC is now 4-2 in the Western Conference and 11-6 overall. They return to the field for their home opener on Sunday, 4/2 when they host Ancilla College in a make-up game. First pitch is at 1:00 pm.

### **Softball DH @ Glen Oaks Community College**

March 24 @ 3:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Jayhawks score 30 runs in doubleheader sweep at Glen Oaks CC.

Muskegon Community College made the trip to Glen Oaks Community College and left with an 11-1, 19-0 double header victory over the Vikings.

In game one Nicole Koczenasz (St. Louis HS) got her first start of the season and picked up the 5th inning complete game victory. She had plenty of offensive support from Kyla Dutcher (North Branch HS) who pounded out 2 doubles and a home run. Kaitlin Kolk (Fremont HS) added a home run and 3 RBI, and Alexis Melton (Fenton HS), Carrie Mesman (Grandville HS), and Alessa Buchner (Oakridge HS) were all 2 for 3 for the game.

Game two was more of the same as MCC continued to swing big bats in support of pitcher Morgan Engelsman (Zeeland West HS). Engelsman gave up a single to the first batter she saw but then was perfect on the mound to pick up the victory. MCC pounded out 18 hits with Bri Mairose (Ogemaw Hts. HS) and Morgan Nelson (North Muskegon HS) both going 3-4 at the plate. Alysia Folkersma (Kingsley HS) was 2-3 with a 2 run double and a home run and Savannah Smith (Grandville HS) was also 2-3.

The Jayhawks are now 3-1 in the Western Conference and 10-5 overall. They return to the field on Thursday, 3/30 when they host Ancilla College in a makeup game (weather). First pitch is scheduled for 3:00 pm.

### **Softball DH @ Jackson College**

March 21 @ 3:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Jayhawks split league opener with Jackson College.

Muskegon Community College opened league play with a 7-6 loss and a 9-7 victory at Jackson College.

In game one the Jayhawks carried the lead into the bottom of the 7th inning but couldn't hold on as Jackson was able to first tie the game, then win it in walk off fashion. MCC outhit Jackson 11-7 with Alexis Melton (Lake Fenton HS) leading the way by going 3-4 with 3 RBI. Yogi Hang (Grand Haven HS) was 2-4 with 2 RBI and Bri Mairose was also 2-4 for the Jayhawks.

The hits kept coming in game two with the Jayhawks picking up their first conference win of the season. MCC collected 13 more hits off Jackson pitching. Taylor Schmitt (Fowler HS) finished the game 3-4, including a double. Kyla Dutcher (North Branch HS), Carrie Mesman (Grandville HS), Alexis Melton (Lake Fenton HS) and Lindsey Greer (Reed City HS) all were 2-4 with doubles from Dutcher, Melton and Greer. Melton stayed hot at the plate with a game high 4 RBI. Morgan Engelsman (Zeeland West) got the victory on the mound in her first start after off-season surgery.

The Jayhawks are now 1-1 in conference play and 8-5 overall. They return to the field for a doubleheader on Friday, 3/24 at Glen Oaks Community College with a 3:00 pm start time.

### **Softball Spring Trip vs. Siena Heights University JV**

March 5 @ 3:30 pm - 5:00 pm

Final

<b>Muskegon CC</b>	<b>7</b>
Siena Heights JV	3

Muskegon Community College wrapped up their spring trip with a 7-3 victory over Siena Heights University JV. Kirsten Johnson (Lakeview HS) had a solid day on the mound, giving up 3 runs on 5 hits with 7 strike outs and no walks. The Jayhawks put the game out of reach with a 3 run 6th inning. The 1-2-3 Jayhawk hitters were a combined 6-9 for the game with Lindsey Greer (Reed City HS), Savanah Smith (Grandville HS) and Alessa Buchner (Oakridge HS) all going 2-3 at the plate. Buchner collected 3 RBI for the game.

The Jayhawks finish the trip with a 7-4 record and a 4 game win streak. They return to action on Tuesday, 3/21 when they open conference play at Jackson College. First pitch is scheduled for 3:00 pm.

### **Softball Spring Trip vs. Heidelberg University JV**

March 5 @ 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Final

<b>Muskegon CC</b>	<b>10</b>
Heidelberg University JV	2

Muskegon Community College scored 2 runs in the bottom of the 6th to take a 10-2 mercy rule victory over Heidelberg University JV. Yogi Hang (Grand Haven HS) earned the win for the Jayhawks with six innings of solid work. MCC collected 12 hits in the game led by Briana Mairose (Ogemaw Heights HS) who was 3-4 with a triple and 2 RBI and Alysia Folkersma (Kingsley HS) was finished 2-3 with 2 RBI. Dani Oracz finished 2-4 with a home run, a double a 2 RBI and Hang was also 2-4. Also picking up hits for the Jayhawks was Alexis Melton (Lake Fenton HS), Savanah Smith (Grandville HS), and Kyla Dutcher (North Branch HS).

### **Softball Spring Trip vs. North Idaho College**

March 4 @ 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Final

<b>Muskegon CC</b>	<b>5</b>
North Idaho College	4

MCC picked up their 2nd win of the day with a 5-4 victory over North Idaho College. Kirsten Johnson (Lakeview HS) picked up the win despite giving up 10 hits and walking 3. MCC was only able to come up with 6 hits, but they took advantage of multiple errors by the North Idaho defense. Dani Oracz (Caledonia HS) had the hot bat for the Jayhawks by going 2-3 including a double, a home run and 2 RBI. Alessa Buchner (Oakridge HS) also finished 2-3 and Yogi Hang (Grand Haven HS) was 1-2 with a home run and 2 RBI.

### **Softball Spring Trip vs. Davenport JV**

March 4 @ 9:00 am - 10:30 am

Final	
<b>Muskegon CC</b>	<b>11</b>
Davenport University JV	3

The Jayhawks bounced back with a 5 innings, 11-3 victory over Davenport University's JV team. Yogi Hang (Grand Haven HS) was the winning pitcher, scattering 5 hits and giving up no walks for the complete game victory. The Jayhawks defense was solid, making 13 plays with no errors. The offense was led by Carrie Mesman (Grandville HS) who was 3-4 with a double and 2 RBIs and Kaitlin Kolk (Fremont HS) who was 2-4 with a double and 2 RBIs. Dani Oracz (Caledonia HS) and Morgan Nelson (North Muskegon HS) also collected multiple hits.

### **Softball Spring Trip vs. Mercyhurst North East**

March 3 @ 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Final	
<b>Mercyhurst North East</b>	<b>4</b>
Muskegon CC	0

The Jayhawks were defeated by Mercyhurst North East 4 to 0. MCC had been hitting with authority but the bats went silent against Mercyhurst pitching. Kyla Dutcher (North Branch HS) collected the only hit for the Jayhawks.

### **Softball Spring Trip vs. Alma College JV**

March 2 @ 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Final	
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**Muskegon CC**

Alma College JV

**8**  
4

MCC jumped out to an early lead and cruised to the 8-4 win over the Alma College JV team. The Jayhawks used a combination of power and speed, with a Kyla Dutcher (North Branch HS) home run and doubles by Alessa Buchner (Oakridge HS) and Briana Mairose (Ogemaw Heights HS) to compliment their 6 stolen bases. The 2-3-4 hitters for MCC continued their hot start with Buchner going 3-4 and Mairose and Dutcher both finishing 2-3. Kirsten Johnson (Lakeview HS) earned the complete game win with 7 strike outs and no walks.

The Jayhawks evened their record at 3-3 on their spring trip. They return to the field on Friday, 3/3 with a game against Mercyhurst North East. First pitch is scheduled for 2:00 pm.

**Softball Spring Trip vs. Davenport University JV**

March 2 @ 9:00 am - 10:30 am

Final

**Muskegon CC**

Davenport University JV

**3**  
2

Muskegon Community College defeated Davenport University JV by a score of 3-2 in 8 innings. Yogi Hang (Grand Haven HS) picked up the complete game win, allowing only 1 run on 1 walk and 7 hits with 3 strike outs. Alessa Buchner (Oakridge HS) was 2-4 with a double and she drove in the winning run in the bottom of the 8th inning. Taylor Kinnunen (Alma HS) was 1-2 with a walk and Briana Mairose (Ogemaw Heights HS) added a double and an RBI.

**Softball Spring Trip vs. Adrian College JV**

February 28 @ 4:30 pm - 5:00 pm

Final

**Adrian College JV**

Muskegon CC

**13**  
8

Muskegon Community College couldn't play over defensive errors in a 13-8 loss to Adrian College JV. The Jayhawks outthit their opponents 12-11 but the errors coupled with too many walks was too much to overcome. Dani Oracz (Caledonia HS) was the star on offense for the Jayhawks with a 4-4 game including a triple. Briana Mairose (Ogemaw Heights HS) was also hot with a 3-5 game the featured a triple and a double and Alexis Melton (Lake Fenton HS) was 2-4 with a double and 3 RBI.

The Jayhawks are now 1-3 on the trip. They return to the field on Thursday, 3/2 for a 9:00 am game against the Davenport JV.

### Softball Spring Trip vs. Augustana College JV

February 28 @ 11:30 am - 1:00 pm

Final	
<b>Muskegon CC</b>	<b>9</b>
Augustana College JV	8

Muskegon Community College picked up their first spring trip victory with a 9-8 victory (8 innings) over Augustana College JV. The international tie breaker rule went into effect in the top of 8th inning and Augustana was able to push a run across to take the lead. In the bottom half of the 8th Yogi Hang (Grand Haven HS) had the walk off hit for the final run. Kyla Dutcher (North Branch HS) stayed scorching hot at the plate with a 4-5 game, Alessa Buchner (Oakridge HS) finished 3-5 and Lindsey (Red) Greer (Reed City HS) was 2-5 with 2 stolen bases. Bri Mairose (Ogemaw Heights HS) and Carrie Mesman (Grandville HS) both finished with 2 RBI. Kirsten Johnson (Lakeview HS) picked up the complete game win with 8 strikeouts.

### Softball Spring Trip vs. Oakland Community College

February 27 @ 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Final	
<b>Oakland CC</b>	<b>10</b>
Muskegon CC	6

In game 2 vs. #20 Oakland the Jayhawks came up short 10-6. The game was tied 6-6 in the top of the 5th inning but an MCC error opened the door for OCC. Kyla Dutcher (North Branch HS) continued swinging the hot bat with a 3-4 day at the plate, including 2 more doubles and 3 RBI. Alessa Buchner (Oakridge HS) was 2-4 and Yogi Hang was 1-3 with 2 RBI.

### Softball Spring Trip vs. Oakland Community College

February 27 @ 9:00 am - 10:30 am

Final	
<b>Oakland CC</b>	<b>6</b>
Muskegon CC	5

Muskegon Community College opened its 2017 spring season with a 6-5 loss to #20 Oakland Community College in Clermont, Fl. The Jayhawks were paced by Kyla Dutcher (North Branch HS) who was 3-4 with 2 doubles. Yogi Hang (Grand Haven HS) finished the game 2-3 with a home run and 2 RBI and Carrie Mesman (Grandville HS) and Alessa Buchner (Oakridge HS) were both 2-4. The Jayhawk offense finished with 12 hits.