

### 2024 PREVIEW GUIDE

Team Name: Duke

**Mascot: Blue Devils** 

Location: Durham, NC

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Michael Cui (Captain) / Paco Martin (Coach)

#### 2022/2023 NCBA Season Performance (Last Year):

- 2022/2023 NCBA Season Record: **6-6**
- Final Conference Ranking: 3
- Regional Tournament Results?
- World Series Results?
- Notables:

#### Fall 2023 Performance (If Applicable)

- 2023 Fall Record (*NCBA Sanctioned Games Only*):
- Notables:

**Number of Returning Players: 17** 

Returning Past All Region/NCBA All American Award Winners (Please list player names, specific accolades & years won):

Players to Watch: Will Briley, Evan Sarchio, Jordan Young

New additions: Neo Best, Austin Davison, Owen Griffiths, Tom Lowrance, Oliver Stern, Jacob Voellmicke

**Biggest Rival: North Carolina** 

Best Player Nickname: Brady "Pocket Rocket" Gouin

2024 Spring Season Outlook: Duke has a really good core of juniors to backbone the lineup. Four grad transfers this year combined with the standout class of freshmen bodes well for a promising season.



Manager Quote: "I'm just here for the ride (and so I don't get fined); we're playing against some teams from the Dominican Republic so we'll be ready for great competition" - Paco Martin



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Team Name: Florida A&M University

**Mascot: Rattlers** 

Location: Tallahassee, FL

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Rashad Cohen, Reginald Williams III, Joel Williams, Justin Turk

#### 2022/2023 NCBA Season Performance (Last Year):

- 2022/2023 NCBA Season Record: N/A
- Final Conference Ranking: N/A
- Regional Tournament Results? N/A
- World Series Results? N/A
- Notables: N/A

#### Fall 2023 Performance (If Applicable)

• 2023 Fall Record (*NCBA Sanctioned Games Only*): N/A

Notables: N/A

Number of Returning Players: N/A

Returning Past All Region/NCBA All American Award Winners (Please list player names, specific accolades & years won): N/A

**Players to Watch: Everyone** 

New additions: Everyone

**Biggest Rival: Florida State University** 

Best Player Nickname: N/A

2024 Spring Season Outlook: The Rattlers join the NCBA for their first official season looking to make a name for themselves with all the talent that is on the roster. The goal is to start a legacy at the University for many years to come; so no matter the outcome of the season the Rattlers plan to give it their all!



Manager Quote: "Being a team from the illustrious Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University sets the tone in the league. As the First HBCU, we will showcase our undeniable skills and expertise. We are champions in the making! Because we are Rattlers, we will continue to Strike, Strike, and Strike Again!"



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Team Name: Florida Tech

**Mascot: Panthers** 

Location: Melbourne, FL

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Daniel Woods, Drew Jordan, Jacob Broussard, Walker Heh

#### 2022/2023 NCBA Season Performance (Last Year):

- 2022/2023 NCBA Season Record: 1-14
- Final Conference Ranking: 6
- Regional Tournament Results? x
- World Series Results? x
- Notables: 5 players batted above .300

#### Fall 2023 Performance (If Applicable)

- 2023 Fall Record (*NCBA Sanctioned Games Only*): x
- Notables: x

Number of Returning Players: 9

Returning Past All Region/NCBA All American Award Winners (Please list player names, specific accolades & years won): x

Players to Watch: Isaiah Johnson, Dan Woods, Jacob Broussard, Landon Dorman, Walker Heh, Drew Jordan

New additions: Adam Hammer, Landon Dorman, Derek Pusey, Dom Heffron, Eli Neier, Sam Neier, MK Shultz, Nicholas Birdsall, Noah Asman, Ryan Cormier, Reece Curcio

**Biggest Rival: x** 

Best Player Nickname: Alex Lacy-"Slinky"



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2024 Spring Season Outlook: Looking to bounce back after a 2023 rebuild year. The 2023 roster was the first official roster in 2 years due to Covid-19, and with the new 2024 additions the Panthers are looking to be a competetive team in the division. The Panthers have a promising roster for the upcoming season and will be an exciting team to watch.

Manager Quote: x



# 2024 PREVIEW GUIDE

**Team Name: Georgia Southern** 

**Mascot: Eagles** 

Location: Statesboro, Georgia

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Andrew Frank (President), Joey Smith (VP), Ryan Anderson (Treasurer), Walker

**Langston (Secretary)** 

#### 2022/2023 NCBA Season Performance (Last Year):

• 2022/2023 NCBA Season Record: **19-5** 

• Final Conference Ranking: 11-1

• Regional Tournament Results? **0-2** 

• World Series Results? N/A

• Notables: Won Dixie Central Conference

#### Fall 2023 Performance (If Applicable)

• 2023 Fall Record (*NCBA Sanctioned Games Only*): **3-0** 

• Notables: Swept Embry-Riddle with a total score of 37-4

**Number of Returning Players: 16** 

Returning Past All Region/NCBA All American Award Winners (Please list player names, specific accolades & years won):

Brandon Clemente 3<sup>rd</sup> Team All American and 1<sup>st</sup> Team All Region Josh Zirlott 1<sup>st</sup> Team All Region Jake Woods 1<sup>st</sup> Team All Region Matt Fisher 1<sup>st</sup> Team All Region Ryan Anderson 2<sup>nd</sup> Team All Region

Joey Smith 2<sup>nd</sup> Team All Region

**Players to Watch: Ryan Travis** 

New additions: Henry Rood, Fredrick Loftly, Josh Buffington, Ian Davis, Cam Waller, Mason Smith, Rvan Travis, Zach Schlinkert, Will Jones

**Biggest Rival: North Georgia** 



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Best Player Nickname: Ryan "Sunday Funday" Travis

2024 Spring Season Outlook: Defend our Conference Championship and win region tournament for the first time since 2019

Manager Quote: This is one of the best teams Georgia Southern Club Baseball has ever put out. We have many returners like Brandon Clemente to lead our pitching staff for a third year. Ryan Anderson will be one of the main bats in the middle of the order as he already has 2 homeruns on the year. New players like Ryan Travis, Josh Buffington, and Ian Davis have all been very exciting to watch in the fall. Travis had a dominate fall on the mound and recently got clocked throwing 89 mph. Buffington is the new center fielder and leadoff man for the Eagles and he is the definition of a great leaderoff hitter, he gets on base and has both speed and power. Davis is the new catcher and he will be paired with Chase Thomas as these two excellent catchers will be great for the loaded pitching staff. This is going to be a very exciting and competitive year for the Eagles but we are ready for all challenges that are ahead of us.



### 2024 PREVIEW GUIDE

**Team Name: High Point University** 

**Mascot: Panthers** 

Location: High Point, NC

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Head Coach: Todd Murphy, Captain: Quinn DeWitt

#### 2022/2023 NCBA Season Performance (Last Year):

• 2022/2023 NCBA Season Record: **22-4 Overall: 12-0 Conference** 

• Final Conference Ranking: Dixie North Conference Champions

• Regional Tournament Results: 3rd place

• World Series Results: N/A

• Notables: 4 Conference Championships and 4 Regional Appearances since Coach Todd Murphy was hired in the Fall 2015 season. 2022 Dixie Region Champions, 2022 CWS appearance, finished 5th. Highest ranking #3 in the national poll.

#### Fall 2023 Performance (If Applicable)

- 2023 Fall Record (*NCBA Sanctioned Games Only*): N/A
- Notables: 10-2-1 against D1 teams (exhibition games only). Wins against D1 teams: ECU, Elon, UNC-Chapel Hill, UNC-Charlotte, William & Mary, Western Carolina, Xavier.
- Lost to UCONN twice by walk offs in the Greenville Tournament 1-0 and 2-1.

**Number of Returning Players: 20** 

Returning Past All Region/NCBA All American Award Winners (Please list player names, specific accolades & years won): 2022 Dixie 1<sup>st</sup> Team All-Region: Quinn DeWitt (OF), Brentan Rowe (1B), Brian Coleman (DH), Hoyt (Griff) Strain III (RP);

2022 Dixie 2<sup>nd</sup> Team All-Region: James Harris (SS), Jake Savino (OF), Patrick Knapp (SP)

#### 2022 All-Americans

1st Team All-American: Quinn DeWitt (OF)

2<sup>nd</sup> Team All-American: Brentan Rowe (1B), Aidan Donahue (RP)

3<sup>rd</sup> Team All-American: Hoyt (Griff) Strain III (RP)

2023 2nd Team All-American: Aidan Donahue (RP)



Players to Watch: All-Region and All-Americans mentioned above are hard not to watch as they proved they can play at a high level of competition. In addition, Senior outfielder, Dan Savino and Pitcher, Nico Suave are veteran players to keep an eye on among several freshmen that have joined the ranks.

New additions: 15 very talented freshmen, 2 sophomore's and 1 senior returning from an injury at the 2022 CWS.

Biggest Rival: Craven CC.

Best Player Nickname: J Smoooooth

2024 Spring Season Outlook: With a multitude of returning starters and a very talented freshmen class, the High Point Panthers look for nothing less than to win conference, return to Regionals to win their 2nd title and win a national championship.

Manager Quote: Play like it's your last game ever, have fun and win some games.



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### 2024 PREVIEW GUIDE

Team Name: South Carolina Club Baseball D2

**Mascot: Gamecocks** 

Location: Columbia, SC

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Ryan Forbes, Levi Taylor, Ryan St. Clair

#### 2022/2023 NCBA Season Performance (Last Year):

- 2022/2023 NCBA Season Record: 14-10
- Final Conference Ranking: 3rd
- Regional Tournament Results?
- World Series Results?
- Notables: Series wins v Florida, Emory, UCF

#### Fall 2023 Performance (If Applicable)

- 2023 Fall Record (*NCBA Sanctioned Games Only*):
- Notables:

**Number of Returning Players: 16** 

Returning Past All Region/NCBA All American Award Winners (Please list player names, specific accolades & years won):

Players to Watch: AJ Trayer, Andrew Driver, Andrew Lamendola, Brian Bentz, Levi Taylor, Ryan St Clair, Troy Winningham, Colin McSherry, Enzo McIntyre

New additions: AJ Trayer, Andrew Driver, Andrew Hill, Andrew Lamendola, Ayden Brown, Billy Waterbury, Daniel Russell, David Beckert, Evan Avery, Jake Martin, Ryan Gonzalez,

**Biggest Rival: Georgia Southern** 

Best Player Nickname: Enzo "BIG ZO" McIntyre

2024 Spring Season Outlook: Since falling short on playoffs last season, there's been a lot of focus put on improving both the talent of the team and the quality of opponents. Our team played a strong mix of both



D1 and D2 competition throughout the fall: UNG, Elon, NC State, Georgia Tech, Craven, and ECU. WE look to continue on that focus with non-conferences series's scheduled against Florida (D2), Embry-Riddle and UCF(D2). Within the team, we bring back a large veteran group of returners, many of whom will be in their 3<sup>rd</sup> NCBA season. In our new class of players there is an abundant of talent that will be providing depth at all positions on the field, depth that will be much needed in the newly organized Dixie Central Conference. Both underclassmen and upperclassmen, some transfering from other college baseball programs give our historically younger team a competitive level of maturity and experience.

In only our third season competing in Division 2, we believe this is the best team we will have fielded. From our first team practices in the fall, our guys have been solely focused in winning a conference title and have been holding eachother accountable all the way through.

February 3<sup>rd</sup> has been marked on everyone's calendar since losing to UNG at the end of last season, and I can't wait to see what this team has in store for the 2024 season.

Manager Quote: "It's impressive to see the amount of leadership on this young team. We've got a great group of retuners that are dead set on improving on last season with a conference title."

-Ryan Forbes



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**Team Name: University of Tampa** 

**Mascot: Spartans** 

Location: Tampa, FL

Captain(s)/Coach(s): President/Head Coach - Kevin McKeon, Vice President/Asst Coach - Spencer Heilveil, Treasurer/Asst Coach - Nicholas Angeloni, Secretary/Asst Coach - Blake Grembowitz

#### 2022/2023 NCBA Season Performance (Last Year):

- 2022/2023 NCBA Season Record: **6-9**
- Final Conference Ranking: 6-6
- Regional Tournament Results? N/A
- World Series Results? N/A
- Notables: N/A

#### Fall 2023 Performance (If Applicable)

- 2023 Fall Record (NCBA Sanctioned Games Only): N/A
- Notables: N/A

**Number of Returning Players: 16 (includes board members)** 

Returning Past All Region/NCBA All American Award Winners (Please list player names, specific accolades & years won): N/A

Players to Watch: Nicholas Angeloni (3B), Ryan Golub (CF), Massimo Lanzi (P), Perry Griffin (P)

New additions: Jason McGill (Freshman, C), Zachary Walford (Sophomore, OF), Nicholas Becker (Sophomore, INF), Cole Leach (Junior, OF), Tyler Mezadurian (Freshman, SS), Chase Oberparleiter (Sophomore, UTIL), Eli Kraus (Sophomore, C)

**Biggest Rival: University of Florida (D2)** 

Best Player Nickname: Vinnie "Booch" Buccieri



2024 Spring Season Outlook: Heavily talented team with great team chemistry. Our goal is to reach the conference playoffs this year, even though it is only our second season in the NCBA. Our development and growth over the last year has been significant. High expectations for this year.

Manager Quote: "I believe we have built a great overall team. We don't have just one guy who is great at one thing. No matter who is at bat, on the mound, or in the field, they will succeed in a high-pressure situation. I believe this team can excel on any given day. Our improvements from last year are drastic, and we plan to keep building up on our successes." - Kevin McKeon (President/Head Coach)



Team Name: University of Central Florida DII

**Mascot:** Knights

Location: Orlando, FL

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Zachary Yousef, Matthew Valdes, John Petit

#### 2022/2023 NCBA Season Performance (Last Year):

• 2022/2023 NCBA Season Record: **20-6** 

- Final Conference Ranking: First, 14-1 Conference Record
- Regional Tournament Results? Dixie Regional Champions
- World Series Results? World Series Appearance
- Notables: Went 17-4 in the regular season and swept the Dixie Regional Tournament

**Number of Returning Players: 16** 

## Returning Past All Region/NCBA All American Award Winners (Please list player names, specific accolades & years won):

Zachary Yousef - 2nd Team All-American SS 2023, 1st Team Region SS 2023

AJ Romaniello - 1st Team Region C 2023

Matthew Valdes - 2nd Team Region 3B 2023

Tommy Peyton - 2nd Team Region RP 2023

#### Players to Watch:

The entire lineup, especially Cooper Mills

#### **New additions:**

Declan Mcdermott - Returning from injury last year

Cole Teply

Jackson Morse

Rylan Messina

John Petit

Evan Puccio

**Jackson Durant** 

Ryan Davis

#### **Biggest Rival:**

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University



Best	<b>Player</b>	Nickname:
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Coach Vazquez

2024 Season Outlook:

World Series Champions

### **Manager Quote:**

"Real G's move in silence like lasagna" - Zachary Yousef



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**Team Name: Florida (DII)** 

**Mascot: Gators** 

Location: Gainesville, FL

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Robert Lagevre, Simon Rothleder, Ethen Sims

#### 2022/2023 NCBA Season Performance (Last Year):

- 2022/2023 NCBA Season Record: 11-14
- Final Conference Ranking: 4th in Dixie South
- Regional Tournament Results? N/A
- World Series Results? N/A
- Notables: N/A

#### Fall 2023 Performance (If Applicable)

- 2023 Fall Record (*NCBA Sanctioned Games Only*): N/A
- Notables: N/A

**Number of Returning Players: 14** 

Returning Past All Region/NCBA All American Award Winners (Please list player names, specific accolades & years won):

- Ethen Sims, All-Region 2<sup>nd</sup> Team Catcher, 2023
- John Dohnal, All-Region 2<sup>nd</sup> Team Pitcher, 2023
- Christopher Napoles, All-Region 1st Team Catcher, 2022

Players to Watch: The entire 22-man roster.

New additions: 8 (Jack Battistelli, Charles Calli, Matthew Clark, Colby Marini, Will Murphy, Brady Perri, Alec Rupp, and Rishi Veeramani)

**Biggest Rival: UCF DII** 

Best Player Nickname: Brady "Panda Express" Perri



2024 Spring Season Outlook: After a disappointing 2023 season with a young team, the enhanced 2024 roster is mixed with uber-talented newcomers and savvy veterans looking to make some noise in the Dixie South Conference.

The offense is reloaded with hitters who have both great power and contact. Offensively, there are no holes in the lineup from 1-9. There are multiple impact players that can come off the bench and change games with one swing of the bat.

On the mound, 5th year senior starting ace pitcher John Dohnal looks to continue to dominate with his bulldog mentality and go deep into games. Manager Rob Lageyre, who has a flamethrower of an arm will attempt to resume his form from last season and embarrass hitters with his filthy arsenal. The pitching depth has improved tremendously with pitchers who have multiple quality pitches and can attack the strike zone.

Defensively, the catching position is loaded with 3 All-American caliber catchers in Jan Gonzalez, Christopher Napoles, and Ethen Sims. The infield has the talent to make a couple appearances on SportsCenter's Top 10 with the ability to create spectacular defensive plays. The outfield has speed and will be a NO-FLY zone that will frustrate opposing hitters.

We begin our season with two quality non conference opponents(at South Carolina, vs North Georgia) and end the season with six consecutive Dixie South conference series. Ultimately, no team in the country has better on and off the field chemistry than this Florida team. The Gators have the talent and are determined to bring home a DII national championship.

Manager Quote: "Game 1 Lineup" - Manager Rob



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Team Name: North Georgia

**Mascot: NightHawks** 

Location: Dahlonega, GA

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Joe Lukas, Brett Miller, Jimmy Martens

#### 2022/2023 NCBA Season Performance (Last Year):

- 2022/2023 NCBA Season Record: **12-9**
- Final Conference Ranking: 2<sup>nd</sup> in Dixie Central
- Regional Tournament Results? Runner Ups in Regional Tournament
- World Series Results? N/A
- Notables: Earned at Large-Bid, Finished 15th in final rankings

#### Fall 2023 Performance (If Applicable)

- 2023 Fall Record (NCBA Sanctioned Games Only): N/A
- Notables: N/A

**Number of Returning Players: 13** 

Returning Past All Region/NCBA All American Award Winners (Please list player names, specific accolades & years won): N/A

Players to Watch: Bryce Becker, Micheal Barnes, Ayden Mavridoglou, Eddie Wilson, Brady Anderson, Jimmy Martens, Brett Miller, Joe Lukas, Dylan Kautz, Tanner Allen

New additions: Bryce Becker, Eddie Wilson, Benji Watry, Dylan Kautz, Shelby Cooker, Landon Wilson, **Hunter Cummings** 

Biggest Rival: South Carolina, High Point, Georgia Southern

Best Player Nickname: Brady Anderson: Jonathan Bernard

2024 Spring Season Outlook: The Nighthawks are hungry and look to accomplish big things in the upcoming season. After finishing 2nd in the Dixie Regional Tournament, we look to continue our success



in the coming 2024 season. With some big additions to the lineup and a bolstered pitching staff it's hard to find holes in the lineup and on the bump. Big pieces like Bryce Becker and Micheal Branes look to make a 2 headed monster on the mound, while Ayden Mavridoglou and Bryce Becker make the top of the lineup one of the scariest in the region. The Nighthawks seek to claim the first Dixie Central Conference title in the club's history while making a major push for a World Series appearance.

Manager Quote: Brett Miller- "this is a team with an extremely high ceiling, we have the potential to be one of the best teams in the country and do something really special in the process."



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**Team Name: Wake Forest** 

**Mascot: Demon Deacons** 

Location: Winston Salem, NC

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Jack McKenney (Sr.), Carter Dow (So.)

### 2022/2023 NCBA Season Performance (Last Year):

• 2022/2023 NCBA Season Record: 5-7

• Final Conference Ranking: 4th

• Regional Tournament Results: N/A

• World Series Results: N/A

• Notables:

#### Fall 2023 Performance (If Applicable)

• 2023 Fall Record: 1-2

• Notables: 12-10 victory over App State

**Number of Returning Players: 15** 

Returning Past All Region/NCBA All American Award Winners (Please list player names, specific accolades & years won):

Players to Watch: Peter Canale, Carter Dow, Hunter Swezcyk, Andrew Castro, Meade Evans

New additions: We've added a strong new core of freshmen that will transform this team and program for years to come.

**Biggest Rival: High Point** 

Best Player Nickname: The Diesel (Austin Margol, Sr.)

2024 Spring Season Outlook:



Manager Quote: After a strong fall season with a notable double header split against Appalachian State, we're ready for our best spring season in over a decade. I'm looking forward to our contributions from our young arms, specifically lefty Peter Canale, Noah Mizrahi, Casey Crawford and Jackson Fauvre. Our young bats feature Tom Spater, Meade Evans, and Carter Dow, all of whom are coming off strong fall seasons. Then we've got our seniors, Jack McKenney (C), John Hilliard (C), Jack Bale, Austin Margol and Hunter who have all worked extremely hard to get to where they are at! Very proud of them. We're looking forward to a strong season, and I think we're gonna take the conference by surprise.