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Team Name: University of Akron

Mascot: Zips

City/State: Akron, OH

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Jonah Carr, President; Caleb Ogg, Vice President

2024/2025 NCBA Season Performance (Last Year):

- 2024/2025 NCBA Season Record: **17-8**
- Final Conference Ranking: **3rd**
- Regional Tournament Results?
- World Series Results?
- Additional Achievements/Notables: **Howard Ryder: 2nd team all region, 3rd team all american; Jonah Carr: 2nd team all region; Cole Lanni: 2nd team all region**

Fall 2025 Performance (This Year - If Applicable)

- 2025 Fall Record (NCBA Sanctioned Games Only): **5-7**
- Additional Achievements/Notables: **Aaron Rupp: conference player of the week**

Number of Returning Players from Last Year: 8

Returning Past All Region or NCBA All American Award Winners (Please list player names, specific accolades & years won): Howard Ryder: 2nd team all region and third team all american, Jonah Carr: 2nd team all region

Players to Watch: Howard Ryder: former all american that is returning from injury in the spring, Brady Parks: 28 IP, 2.250 ERA, 36K Jonah Carr: former 2nd team all region, leading the team in BA (.371), RBI (9), HR (1), 2B (3), and hits (13) Caleb Ogg: BA .370, 10 H, 5 SB
Aaron Rupp: BA .306 , 11 H, 8 RBI

Biggest Rival: Kent State

Favorite Club Tradition: Monday night football after a series sweep

Best Player Nickname: Jon Byers "Big Jon" and Adam Mindzora "Mindy"



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2026 Spring Season Outlook: We host a tough Penn State squad and our rivals Kent State. We are looking to add more games to round out the spring.

Manager Quote: While this fall season looked different than what we are accustomed to, our team battled through adversity and still earned five wins. We began the semester strong with a roster of 21 players—arguably one of the most talented squads we’ve had in recent years. As the season progressed, our numbers dwindled, and we finished the semester traveling to Slippery Rock with just 10 players. Despite those challenges, there is a lot of optimism heading into the spring. Numerous potential athletes have already reached out, eager to join the program, and with a strong core group returning, these additions have the potential to elevate us to the next level. Our returning ace, Howard Ryder—a Division II All-American last season—suffered an injury in his first outing, but we are hopeful to have him back alongside a deep pitching staff that can be a major strength this spring. This group is hungry to compete and committed to winning. While the fall presented its share of obstacles, we believe our strong pitching and dedicated core will help us turn the page and make a strong push in the spring.

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Team Name: Ball State Baseball Club

Mascot: Cardinals

City/State: Muncie, Indiana

Captain(s)/Coach(s): President - Brandt Begesha, Vice President - Dillon Tomlinson

2024/2025 NCBA Season Performance (Last Year):

- 2024/2025 NCBA Season Record: **10-8**
- Final Conference Ranking: **7-7**
- Regional Tournament Results? **N/A**
- World Series Results? **N/A**
- Additional Achievements/Notables: **N/A**

Fall 2025 Performance (This Year - If Applicable)

- 2025 Fall Record (NCBA Sanctioned Games Only): **8-2**
- Additional Achievements/Notables: **Seth Kisner (P) - Perfect Game against the University of Toledo**

Number of Returning Players from Last Year: 9

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

Players to Watch: Seth Kisner, Connor Marvel

Biggest Rival: Indiana University

Favorite Club Tradition: Playing music during warmups of games, Going out to eat after games

Best Player Nickname: Chunk

2026 Spring Season Outlook: Compete for the New Penn West Title

Manager Quote: "This group is the most competitive one i've ever been apart of. Based on the Fall we put together, I think we've got a real shot at taking the New Penn West and making our ways into the postseason."



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Team Name: Pennsylvania Western University - California

Mascot: Vulcans

City/State: California / PA

Coach(s): Head Coach Nick Arnoni & Coach Brady Benedetti

2024/2025 NCBA Season Performance (Last Year):

- 2024/2025 NCBA Season Record: (11-7)
- Final Conference Ranking: (6-6)
- Regional Tournament Results? N/A
- World Series Results? N/A
- Additional Achievements/Notables:

Fall 2025 Performance (This Year - If Applicable)

- 2025 Fall Record (NCBA Sanctioned Games Only): (6-2) , (5-1)
- Additional Achievements/Notables: (5-1) in conference this fall

Number of Returning Players from Last Year: 14

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

Players to Watch: Everyone

Biggest Rival: Whoever we're playing

Favorite Club Tradition: Winning

Best Player Nickname: N/A

2026 Spring Season Outlook: We set ourselves up well in the fall which gives us everything to play for in the spring.

Manager Quote: "We found ourselves at the right time in the fall to control our own destiny in the spring. There's a lot of versatility on this team and we plan on putting that to use for each situation the game presents. I look forward to seeing further development of already very talented players as well as



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seeing guys step up into leadership roles. Everyone on the team knows and has the same goals which helps me, help them.”

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Team Name: Indiana University

Mascot: Hoosiers

City/State: Bloomington / Indiana

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Preston Sepe

2024/2025 NCBA Season Performance (Last Year):

- 2024/2025 NCBA Season Record: **11-4**
- Final Conference Ranking: **2nd**
- Regional Tournament Results? **N/A**
- World Series Results? **N/A**
- Additional Achievements/Notables: **N/A**

Fall 2025 Performance (This Year - If Applicable)

- 2025 Fall Record (NCBA Sanctioned Games Only): **7-2**
- Additional Achievements/Notables: **Combined no hitter against Kenucky (6 innings)**

Number of Returning Players from Last Year: 16

Returning Past All Region or NCBA All American Award Winners (Please list player names, specific accolades & years won): Luke Bremner (DII First Team All American Relief Pitcher)

Players to Watch: Theo Wasserlauf, Preston Sepe, Noah Lippman, Luke Bremner

Biggest Rival: Ohio State University

Favorite Club Tradition: Having more fun than anyone else

Best Player Nickname: Clarence (Mason Jennings)

2026 Spring Season Outlook: Looking to hang with the best of the New Penn

Manager Quote: "Stay Hard"

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Team Name: Kent State

Mascot: Golden Flash

City/State: Kent/OH

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Tyler Berger, Alex Roginski

2024/2025 NCBA Season Performance (Last Year):

- 2024/2025 NCBA Season Record: **22-7**
- Final Conference Ranking: **1**
- Regional Tournament Results? **Loss**
- World Series Results? **n/a**
- Additional Achievements/Notables: **22 game win streak**

Fall 2025 Performance (This Year - If Applicable)

- 2025 Fall Record (NCBA Sanctioned Games Only): **3-7**
- Additional Achievements/Notables: **n/a**

Number of Returning Players from Last Year: 12

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

Players to Watch: Kasen Neely, Nolan Ryan

Biggest Rival: Akron

Favorite Club Tradition: Hotel meetups at away games

Best Player Nickname: NFR

2026 Spring Season Outlook: We seek to have fun, play loose, and get back to the level we were playing at last year

Manager Quote: This is a good squad of guys. We have some things to figure out but no doubt we will.

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Team Name: New River Community College

Mascot: Muskies

City/State: Dublin/ Virginia

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Wes Adcock, Chris Campbell

2024/2025 NCBA Season Performance (Last Year):

- 2024/2025 NCBA Season Record: **12-1**
- Final Conference Ranking: **n/a**
- Regional Tournament Results? **n/a**
- World Series Results? **n/a**
- Additional Achievements/Notables: **n/a**

Fall 2025 Performance (This Year - If Applicable)

- 2025 Fall Record (NCBA Sanctioned Games Only): **n/a**
- Additional Achievements/Notables: **n/a**

Number of Returning Players from Last Year: 9

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

Players to Watch: Lance Burnett, Ashton Meadows, Reed Hutchison

Biggest Rival: n/a

Favorite Club Tradition: Labor Day Cookout

Best Player Nickname: Ashton Meadows- Ash Cash

2026 Spring Season Outlook: A new team ready to make a splash in conference.

Manager Quote: Life is good here we go!

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Team Name: Ohio State University DII

Mascot: Buckeyes

City/State: Columbus, OH

Captain(s)/Coach(s): President: Drew Elliot | Vice President: Joey Harder | Treasurer: Ryan Moskal | Secretary: Alex Bazzichi | Risk Manager: Cedric Stewart | Head Coach: Joe Juzas | Assistant Coach: Drew Lane

2024/2025 NCBA Season Performance (Last Year):

- 2024/2025 NCBA Season Record: **21-4**
- Final Conference Ranking: **1st**
- Regional Tournament Results? **4th**
- World Series Results? **N/A**
- Additional Achievements/Notables: **Two players with All American Honors**

Fall 2025 Performance (This Year - If Applicable)

- 2025 Fall Record (NCBA Sanctioned Games Only): **5-4**
- Additional Achievements/Notables: **Drew Pedigo going 5-5 from the plate against Eastern Kentucky University DII**

Number of Returning Players from Last Year: 17

Returning Past All Region or NCBA All American Award Winners (Please list player names, specific accolades & years won): Christian Durny (P/INF) - All American 3rd Team, Joey Harder (P) - All American 2nd Team, Ryan Miller (3B) - All Region 2nd Team, Drew Elliot (C) - All Region 3rd Team, Ryan Moskal (OF) - All Region 3rd Team, Josiah Jenkins (OF) - All Region 3rd Team, Richard Martinello (DH) - All Region 3rd Team, Garrett Wible (P) - All Region 3rd Team,

Players to Watch: Chrisitan Durny, Drew Elliot, Josiah Jenkins, Ryan Moskal, Garrett Wible, Richard Martinello, Ryan Miller, Joey Harder, Drew Pedigo, Connor Panker, and Cedric Stewart

Biggest Rival: Kent State

Favorite Club Tradition: Cookout while going down and back from PCB

Best Player Nickname: G Sizzle - Garrett Wible



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2026 Spring Season Outlook: The objective is to get back to Alton. With a great mix of experienced guys and new younger guys, our team has the ability to win a lot of games. Our program's culture continues to be the highlight of the team and allows for us to compete at a high level in our conference.

Manager Quote: "It was raining cats and dogs, then I realized I was a cat person who couldn't give up breakfast; so I became a 5th Generation Buckeye." (Drew Lane)

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Team Name: Penn State Baseball Club (D2)

Mascot: Nittany Lions

City/State: State College, PA

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Head Coach: Jack Rodgers - Assistant Coaches: CJ Gesk, Michael Monaghan, Luke Hoffner

2024/2025 NCBA Season Performance (Last Year):

2024/2025 NCBA Season Record: **20-5**

Final Conference Ranking: **Won New England West with a 13-2 conference record**

Regional Tournament Results? **Lost to Bryant in game 3 of regional championship**

World Series Results? **N/A**

Additional Achievements/Notables: **Conference Champions, Regional Championship Appearance.**

Fall 2025 Performance (This Year - If Applicable)

2025 Fall Record (NCBA Sanctioned Games Only): **3-0**

Additional Achievements/Notables:

Number of Returning Players from Last Year: 5

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

Seth Wildasin, Designated Hitter 1st Team All Region, 2024/2025 season

Seth Wildasin, Designated Hitter 2nd Team All American, 2024/2025 season

Players to Watch: Seth Wildasin, Justin Hickman, Carson Bish, Colin Brady

Biggest Rival: Bryant

Favorite Club Tradition: Using Medlar Field for our Fall Showcase

Best Player Nickname: Big D (Derek Moriarta)

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2026 Spring Season Outlook: There are big expectations for this group in 2026. We know what we are capable of and that is winning a world series. We are going to take things one game at a time and strive to meet our ultimate goal come may

Manager Quote: “This is a special group of guys who showed tremendous dedication in the fall and are looking to bring that into the spring season. This group features a lot of rookies who are going to make a huge impact right away. There is talent everywhere on this team and the guys have come together like a family. We have high expectation for the season and hope to be raising a trophy come May” - Jack Rodgers (Head Coach)

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Team Name: Xavier University Club Baseball

Mascot: Musketeers

City/State: Cincinnati, OH

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Marty Hannon

2024/2025 NCBA Season Performance (Last Year):

- 2024/2025 NCBA Season Record: **8-9**
- Final Conference Ranking: **5th**
- Regional Tournament Results? **N/A**
- World Series Results? **n/a**
- Additional Achievements/Notables: **n/a**

Fall 2025 Performance (This Year - If Applicable)

- 2025 Fall Record (NCBA Sanctioned Games Only): **6-5**
- Additional Achievements/Notables: **Defeated UConn in Greenville tournament**

Number of Returning Players from Last Year: 15

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

Players to Watch: Gus Serger, Nathan Hoerst, Tim Donahue

Biggest Rival: Indiana

Favorite Club Tradition: Steak Night

Best Player Nickname: Borty (Pat Deters)

2026 Spring Season Outlook: Win

Manager Quote: No matter if we are partying or playing, we are competing with everything we got.