

**Team Name: CSUN Club Baseball**

**Mascot: Matadors**

**City/State: Northridge CA**

**Captain(s)/Coach(s): Jake Ruiz, Frank Contrares, Bryan Orozco, Erick Barrarza, Coach Ryan Davis**

**2024/2025 NCBA Season Performance (Last Year):**

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

**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): 2024 (Jake Ruiz third team all Region 3rd Base Pacific Region),**

**Players to Watch: Frank Contreras, Gilberto Gutierrez, Jake Ruiz Bryan Orozco**

**Biggest Rival:**

**Favorite Club Tradition: Swing in to spring**

**Best Player Nickname: Coach Erick**

**2026 Spring Season Outlook:**

**Manager Quote:**



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## 2026 PREVIEW GUIDE

**Team Name:** California State University San Marcos

**Mascot:** Cougars

**City/State:** San Marcos

**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Kady Hernandez

**2024/2025 NCBA Season Performance (Last Year):**

- 2024/2025 NCBA Season Record: **7-5**
- Final Conference Ranking: **2nd**
- Regional Tournament Results? -
- World Series Results? -
- Additional Achievements/Notables: **3 All-Region, 2 All-American**

**Number of Returning Players from Last Year:** 10

**Returning Past All Region or NCBA All American Award Winners (Please list player names, specific accolades & years won):** 2. Kady Hernandez, Xavier Terrazas

**Players to Watch:** Kady Hernandez, Xavier Terrazas, Christopher Vasquez, Julian Sais, Marquis Stewart-Vaughn, Scott Buckmaster

**Biggest Rival:** University of San Diego

**Favorite Club Tradition:** Poker Nights

**Best Player Nickname:** Double D

**2026 Spring Season Outlook:** Make playoffs for the first time in school history.

**Manager Quote:** This year, these group of guys know what they want. They are hungry to win, I know they will.



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## 2026 PREVIEW GUIDE

**Team Name: Grand Canyon University DII**

**Mascot: Lopes**

**City/State: Phoenix, AZ**

**Captain(s)/Coach(s): Head Coach Kim Carpenter**

**2024/2025 NCBA Season Performance (Last Year):**

- 2024/2025 NCBA Season Record: **19-4**
- Final Conference Ranking: **1**
- Regional Tournament Results? **1-2**
- World Series Results? **NA**
- Additional Achievements/Notables:

**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): Kolby Klein-1<sup>st</sup> Team All Region, 1<sup>st</sup> team All American- Starting Pitcher, Anthony Wilson, Anthony Carrillo All Region**

**Players to Watch: Landon Hagenow-Short Stop, Ryan Peterson-First Baseman, Anthony Carrillo-Centerfielder, Kolby Klein-Pitcher, Anthony Wilson-Pitcher, Troy Taylor-Outfielder**

**Biggest Rival: University of San Diego**

**Favorite Club Tradition: Hosting the Hope Kids Baseball/Softball Camp**

**Best Player Nickname:**

**2026 Spring Season Outlook: GCU looks to get back with its tradition of returning to the World Series having appeared 3 out of the last 4 years. Although there are many new faces, new talent has arrived and so has speed on the basepaths and a new crop of Arms accompanied by solid veteran returners. The team had a good fall showing and is poised to make another run toward the post season.**



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**Manager Quote: We have some very good additions to this ball club and if we execute offensively, continue to run the bases and play defense the way we did this fall, this team could go along way.**

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**Team Name:** Menlo College

**Mascot:** Oaks

**City/State:** Atherton, CA

**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Coach: Richard Kiel, Chase Barsotti,  
Captains: Joseph Salmeron, Ash Geary-Smith

**2024/2025 NCBA Season Performance (Last Year):** N/A

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

**Number of Returning Players from Last Year:** New program with a lot of exciting talent.

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

**Players to Watch:** Ryan Wilson, Aidan Mitchell, Israel Gracia, Jeremy Marquez

**Biggest Rival:** N/A Excited to start some!

**Favorite Club Tradition:** Team Bonding

**Best Player Nickname:**

**2026 Spring Season Outlook:** Excited to get started and see where we sit against some of NCBA's best

**Manager Quote:** Compete!

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**Team Name:** University of San Diego

**Mascot:** Toreros

**City/State:** San Diego, CA

**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Matt Andre (President), Eric McGaw (Coach)

**2024/2025 NCBA Season Performance (Last Year):**

- 2024/2025 NCBA Season Record: **5-10**
- Final Conference Ranking: **3**
- Regional Tournament Results? **N/A**
- World Series Results? **N/A**
- Additional Achievements/Notables: **N/A**

**Number of Returning Players from Last Year:** 13

**Returning Past All Region or NCBA All American Award Winners (Please list player names, specific accolades & years won):** Matt Andre (2025 3<sup>rd</sup> Team All-Region SS), Luca Gamboa (2025 National Pitcher of the Week)

**Players to Watch:** Matt Andre (Junior SS/2B), Houston McCray (Sophomore SS), Luca Gamboa (Junior P), Matt Diccico (Senior OF), Ethan Sullivan (Freshman OF), John Salter (Freshman 1B)

**Biggest Rival:** Grand Canyon University

**Favorite Club Tradition:** Team Dinner at Texas Roadhouse

**Best Player Nickname:** Preston "Diddy" Dorand

**2026 Spring Season Outlook:** We're very excited about some of our new hitters and we are looking to make a push for the playoffs this year. We're confident that if we play the way we can, we can beat any team on any given day.



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**Manager Quote: "As veterans move on, a hungry and talented group steps into bigger roles. We'll rely on our returning players and key new additions as we battle each day with our sights set firmly on a playoff run."**

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**Team Name: Santa Clara University**

**Mascot: Broncos**

**City/State: Santa Clara, CA**

**Captain(s)/Coach(s): Kyle Drobick, Jimmy Andre, Ron Andre, Ryan Ward, Brian Levy**

### **2024/2025 NCBA Season Performance (Last Year):**

- 2024/2025 NCBA Season Record: 23-7
- Final Conference Ranking: **1st**
- Regional Tournament Results? Championship Finalist
- World Series Results?
- Additional Achievements/Notables: 17-1 in Conference in only the second year of being a program

**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):**

Gavin Brunzman: 1st Team All Region 2025 (1B)

Tyler Page: 1st Team All Region 2025 (SP)

Aiden Roman: 1st Team All Region 2025 (RP), 2nd Team All Region 2025 (2B)

Connor Anderson: 1st Team All Region 2025 (OF)

Alec Berger: 2nd Team All Region 2024 (RP)

### **Players to Watch:**

Gavin Brunzman, Tyler Page, Aiden Roman, Connor Anderson, Alec Berger

**Biggest Rival: Chico State (D1)**

**Favorite Club Tradition: Pregame Prayer Circle**

**Best Player Nickname: Gavin Brunzman - The Freak on a Leash**

**2026 Spring Season Outlook: The Broncos are looking to repeat the 2026 season as Conference Champions and advance to the World Series for the first time in program history**

**Manager Quote: I Think We Ain't Done Yet**

## 2026 PREVIEW GUIDE

**Team Name:** Southern Utah University

**Mascot:** Thor

**City/State:** Cedar City, Utah

**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Samuel Danto, Korbet Pope, Easton Taylor

### 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**

**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):** Zander Adams) 2025 All-American 2nd team

**Players to Watch:** Zander Adams, Jackson Hill, Connor Law

**Biggest Rival:** Cal St Northridge

**Favorite Club Tradition:** Team trips to Canes on our drives down to California

**Best Player Nickname:** Tibbs

**2026 Spring Season Outlook:** Looking to take another step forward and win the division

**Manager Quote:** Every year, we set the bar higher and higher, coming together as a team and striving towards greatness.



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## 2026 PREVIEW GUIDE

**Team Name: Stanford University**

**Mascot: Cardinal**

**City/State: Stanford, CA**

**Captain(s)/Coach(s): Donnie Raymond, Cooper Tenney, Joseph Seddon, Nikhil Kothari, Evan Schieber**

**2024/2025 NCBA Season Performance (Last Year):**

- 2024/2025 NCBA Season Record: 10-11 (9-9 in conference)
- Final Conference Ranking: 4th
- Regional Tournament Results? NA
- World Series Results? NA
- Additional Achievements/Notables:

**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):**

- **Caden Denning:** 2024 First Team All-American, First Team All-Region OF; 2022 Second Team All-American, First Team All-Region at C
- **Donnie Raymond:** 2024 First Team All-American, First Team All-Region SS, 2024 Third Team All-Region SP; 2022 First Team All-American, First Team All-Region 1B
- **Angel Villeraldo:** 2024 Third Team All-Region OF

**Players to Watch:**

**Caden Denning (C, CF):** One of the most prized transfer portal targets from last summer, Denning sent shockwaves through the club baseball landscape when he announced his commitment via LinkedIn to return to Stanford for his fifth and final season to study epidemiology. “It’s only right that I close out my career where it all started,” mused Denning, “and I couldn’t be more excited for the last ride.”

And what a career it has been. The fifth-year boasts a lifetime OPS well into the quadruple digits, which, in complement with his blinding speed (23-25 on SB attempts), renders him an offensive Swiss Army knife. Denning’s versatility also extends to the field; his defense both behind the dish and roaming the outfield could only be described as top-notch. He has a certifiable howitzer attached to his right shoulder, and his elite athleticism turns the outfield into a no-fly zone. The Card could not be more pleased to return the two-time All-American and let him go to work as a true top-of-the-lineup impact player.

**Donnie Raymond (IF, RHP):** A fifth-year out of Dallas, Texas, Raymond is back for one last dance while finishing up his masters degree in data science, a fitting major for someone who's spent his college career breaking baseball math. A two-time First Team All-American, Donnie enters the season hitting third in the lineup and carrying the quiet confidence of a veteran who knows exactly how good he is. "I ran the numbers," said Raymond, "and statistically speaking, coming back was the correct decision." Opposing pitchers may disagree.

If his last complete season was any indication, Raymond is less of a middle-of-the-order bat and more of an existential crisis. In just 68 at-bats, he slashed a cartoonish .588/.642/.985 with five home runs, 16 extra-base hits, and a video-game OPS of 1.627, driving in 31 runs while striking out just six times. Simply put, he did not make outs. Add in his ability to lock things down on the mound and hold down the hot corner, and you've got one of the most complete players in club baseball. Whether he's launching baseballs into orbit or dealing on the bump, Raymond remains the kind of player coaches trust and opponents fear. As former teammate Gabe Sier put it: "Death, taxes, and Donnie Raymond."

**Cooper Tenney (IF, RHP):** "Defense wins championships" - Ex-Dallas Mavericks GM Nico Harrison.

Defense has always come naturally to the gritty Tenney. One of the Cardinal's top returning hitters, Tenney arguably provides the most value with his glove, playing on the left side of the infield. He has hands that are softer and smoother than a baby's bottom. An arm so accurate, and a release so quick, it could make a grown man cry. It's rumored that Tenney came out of the womb with a hop step. He plays with a gumption, an audacity, that elevates his plate and that of those around them. He'll quietly and seriously anchor the meat of the order, middle of the infield, and even hop on the bump and sling a few pitches.

A real lunch-pail guy, "Coop", as he's affectionately known, has aggressively pushed for additional mandatory field and cage practice time through his role as team vice president. There's no doubt further club baseball leadership responsibilities await the scrappy sophomore infielder, but for now he'll prove his merit through on-field contributions.

**Joseph Seddon (IF, RHP):** This lanky right-hander enters the season looking to build upon a solid freshman campaign. Seddon quickly rose up the ranks in the rotation, solidifying himself as the second option in the Cardinal rotation behind the aging Gabe Seir. The plucky Seddon features a power four-seam and curveball mix from an over-the-top slot which induces plenty of weak contact and whiffs. One of his best assets is his ability to hit the zone (11 BB in 32 1/3 IP) - the Cardinal will rely on him at the top of the rotation this season. A self-proclaimed "country bumpkin", Seddon is as durable as they come and brings some serious mental toughness to the table.

With a strong corner infield glove, Seddon will also see time in the infield when he's not on the bump.

**Danny Gass (OF, RHP):** His name is Danny Gass. He really likes physics. Nothing more needs to be said.

**Jamie Baum (IF, RHP):** Another massive portal win for the Card, Baum (previously Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology) and the aforementioned Gass are two newcomers to keep an especially close eye on this season. The fifth-year SS/3B has a smooth stroke from the left side and a cool veteran demeanor. Baum figures to be a mainstay in the middle of the Cardinal order, and a go to chad innings-eater.



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**Biggest Rival:** Cal, Sacramento State, Santa Clara

**Favorite Club Tradition:** Bagels and Blitzball at sunrise

**Best Player Nickname:** Danny “Danny Gass” Gass

**2026 Spring Season Outlook:** After a .500-adjacent 10–11 campaign and a fourth-place conference finish last season, the Cardinal enter 2025 with a sense that the floor has already been set—and the ceiling is far higher. With nine returning players and a core that has logged real innings, real at-bats, and real scars, this is a roster that understands how thin the margins are in the NCBA. While the lack of a regional or World Series berth last year still lingers, it’s also serving as fuel. This group isn’t rebuilding; it’s recalibrating. Expect a team that plays cleaner baseball, shortens games defensively, and looks far less interested in moral victories.

Offensively, the outlook borders on unfair. The return of Caden Denning and Donnie Raymond, both two-time All-Americans, gives the Cardinal arguably the most terrifying 2–3 punch in the region, with Angel Villeraldo providing additional firepower and experience. While Raymond and Denning change how opponents have to pitch, manage bullpens, and sleep the night before a series, steady contributors like Cooper Tenney and impact portal additions Jamie Baum and Danny Gass add depth, balance, and veteran composure. This is not a team that needs crooked numbers to win; they can beat you with pressure, defense, and an ability to capitalize on a single mistake.

On the mound, the Cardinal are poised to take a meaningful step forward. Joseph Seddon’s progression into a front-line option, combined with Raymond’s versatility, Tenney’s quality innings, and Baum’s ability to shut the door, gives the staff flexibility it may have lacked a year ago. This isn’t a rotation built on flash; it’s built on strikes, durability, and trust. If the arms hold and the defense continues to play to its strengths, Stanford has all the ingredients of a legitimate postseason team. The expectation is no longer just contention; it’s conversion. As one anonymous clubhouse source put it: “If nothing else, this team will be extremely annoying to play against.”

**Manager Quote:** “Flag football has been unbanned.” - Donnie Raymond

**Team Name:** UCSC Sluggers

**Mascot:** Banana Slug

**City/State:** Santa Cruz/California

**President/Vice President:** Max Kaufman & Will Parker

**Additional Achievements/Notables:** Achieved a winning record in first season being affiliated

**Number of Returning Players from Last Year:**

**Players to Watch:** Sean Conaway, Kenny Wang, & Will Parker

**Biggest Rival:** Santa Clara

**Favorite Club Tradition:** After team win's we go to In-N-Out!

**Best Player Nickname:** SDC (Sean Dinger Conaway)

**2026 Spring Season Outlook:** Get some wins and make the playoffs!

**Manager Quote:** "Keep building that house brick by brick"



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## 2026 PREVIEW GUIDE

**Team Name:** USC Club Baseball

**Mascot:** Trojans

**City/State:** Los Angeles, CA

**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Micah Hiu

**2024/2025 NCBA Season Performance (Last Year):**

- 2024/2025 NCBA Season Record: **2-16**
- Final Conference Ranking: **6th**
- Regional Tournament Results? **N/A**
- World Series Results? **N/A**
- Additional Achievements/Notables:

**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):**

**Players to Watch:** Jakson Geisler, Sam Frausto, Tommy Molloy

**Biggest Rival:** Cal State Fullerton

**Favorite Club Tradition:** Winning

**Best Player Nickname:** Jakson "The Wrench" Geisler

**2026 Spring Season Outlook:** Finish top 6 in the conference

**Manager Quote:** Fight On!

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**Team Name:** University of San Francisco

**Mascot:** Dons

**City/State:** San Francisco/California

**Captain(s)/Coach(s):**

**Captain - Leo Espino**

**Vice Captain - Brandon Crews**

**Vice Captain - James Loram**

**Coach - Antony Noyes**

### 2024/2025 NCBA Season Performance (Last Year):

- 2024/2025 NCBA Season Record: **8-10**
- Final Conference Ranking: **5**
- Regional Tournament Results? **N/A**
- World Series Results? **N/A**
- Additional Achievements/Notables:

#### **Individual Achievements:**

**Leo Espino - 20 Walks**

**Jake Verwiel - 4 Triples**

**Ryoto Kaneda - 13 SB**

**Alex Franco-Schmidt - CG Shutout**

**Brandon Crews - 1 SV**

**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):** N/A

**Players to Watch:** Alex Franco-Schmidt, Brandon Crews, Jon Duquemin

**Biggest Rival:** Cal Poly - Humboldt

**Favorite Club Tradition:** Pig and Whistle Pub after every home game.

**Best Player Nickname:** Nathaniel Moore (C) "Naughty Nate"

**2026 Spring Season Outlook:** This is a much younger team that lacks the veteran presence of last season. This year is more about meshing together and building chemistry among the guys that are going to play together for the next 3 years. However, this iteration of the team boasts much more depth than USF has had in years and features a fearsome 1-2 pitching punch.

**Manager Quote:** Effortless, elegant performances only look easy because of the invisible, repetitive, gritty work that happened behind the scenes.