

117th Season | 5 All-Americans | 60 All-Conference Honorees | 13 MLB Draft Picks | 29 Zips in the Pros | MAC Tourney Champions (1996)

2020 AKRON SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Time Result
Feb. 16	OAKLAND	L, 3-4 (14 inn.)
Feb. 16	OAKLAND	L, 0-1 (6 inn.)
Feb. 21	at Pepperdine	L, 1-12
Feb. 22	at Pepperdine	L, 0-4
Feb. 23	at Pepperdine	L, 1-7
Feb. 28	at Lamar	6 PM CT 7 PM ET
Feb. 29	at Lamar	2 PM CT 3 PM ET
March 1	at Lamar 1	0 AM CT 11 AM ET
March 6	at Marshall	6 PM
March 7	at Marshall (DH)	1 PM
March 8	at Marshall	1 PM
March 11	URBANA (OHIO)	3 PM
March 13	at Lipscomb	3 PM CT 4 PM ET
March 14	at Lipscomb	1 PM CT 2 PM ET
March 15	at Lipscomb	1 PM CT 2 PM ET
March 17	URBANA (OHIO)	3 PM
March 20	*MIAMI	3 PM
March 21	*MIAMI	1 PM
March 22	*MIAMI	1 PM
March 24	MALONE	3 PM
March 25	at Penn State	6:30 PM
March 27	*TOLEDO	3 PM
March 28	*TOLEDO	1 PM
March 29	*TOLEDO	1 PM
March 31	CANISIUS	3 PM
April 1	at Kent State	3 PM
April 3	*at Ball State	3 PM
April 4	*at Ball State	1 PM
April 5	*at Ball State	1 PM
April 10	*CENTRAL MICHIGA	
April 11	*CENTRAL MICHIGA	
April 12	*CENTRAL MICHIGA	
April 14	at West Virginia	6:30 PM
April 15	MALONE	3 PM
April 17	*at Eastern Michigan	3 PM
April 18	*at Eastern Michigan	1 PM
April 22	at Canisius *at Ohio	3 PM
April 24		3 PM 1 PM
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April 28	KENT STATE \$	3 PM
April 29	YOUNGSTOWN STAT	
May 1	*WESTERN MICHIGA	
May 2	*WESTERN MICHIGA	
May 3	*WESTERN MICHIGA	
May 8	*at Bowling Green	3 PM
May 9	*at Bowling Green	1 PM
May 10	*at Bowling Green	1 PM
May 12	at Michigan State	3 PM
May 15	at Albany (DH)	1 PM
May 16	at Albany	1 PM
May 20-24	at MAC Championship	
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Sprenger Stadium | Avon, Ohio

Home games in **CAPS** *N \$ Canal Park

*MAC game

AKRON [0-5] at LAMAR [3-5]

Friday, Feb. 28 | 6 PM
Saturday, Feb. 29 | 2 PM
Sunday, March 1| 10 AM
Vincent-Beck Stadium | Beaumont, TX

Video Stream: YouTube
Live Stats: GoZips.com

HEAD COACHES

Will Davis
Overall Record: 73-102 (fourth season)
Record at Lamar: same
Chris Sabo [Michigan | Xavier '98]
Overall Record: 0-2 (first season)
Record at Akron: same

ALL-TIME SERIES

Series tied, 2-2 Sabo vs. Lamar: First Meeting

Last Meeting: Akron W, 2-1 Feb. 18, 2011

AKRON BASEBALL HAS:

- Returned as an intercollegiate program in 2020 after a four-year hiatus
- Won the 1996 MAC Tournament
- Competed in the MAC Tournament championship game three times [1996, 2014, 2015]
- Been selected to finish 11th in the MAC in 2020 by the media and the coaches

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1B	10	Cameron Tilly	.143	1	2	? () 1
2B	22	Bradley Goulet	.176	2	3	3 (0 0
3B	29	Kaito Hara	.200	0	2	? () 1
SS	2	Justin Barr	.048	0	1	(0 0
LF	16	Austin Domer	.222	0	2	? (0 0
CF	8	Brenton Phillips	.278	1		5 () 1
RF	24	B. Shellenbarger	.150	0	3	3 () 1
DH	7	Connor Regan	.000	0	() (0 0
R/L	#	Player	ERA	APP	S	IP	K/BB
Game	e 1 st	arter					
RHP	40	Taed Heydinger	9.00	2	2	8.0	8/7
Game	e 2 st	arter					
RHP	13	Quinton Kujawa	2.19	2	1	12.1	9/4
Game	e 3 st	arter					
LHP	18	Jacob Clark	6.23	2	1	4.1	2/2

ZIPS' BULLPEN

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QUICK FACTS

Language	AL Obt. 4420F
rocation:	Akron, Ohio 44325
Population:	200,000 (5th largest in Ohio)
Founded:	1870 as Buchtel College
	23,152
	Zips
Colors:	Blue (282) & Gold (87 ¹ 1)
Conference:	. Mid-American (East Division)
	Dr. Gary L. Miller
Director of Athletics:	Larry Williams
Faculty Athletics Represer	ntative: .Dr. Matthew Juravich
	(330) 972-7080
Ticket Office:	1-888-99-AKRON (-25766
First Year of Baseball:	1873
Seasons:	117th season in 2020
All-Time Record: 14	11-1501-19 (.485) (116+ yrs.)
	241-377 (.390) (22 yrs.)
MAC Tournament Titles:	1 (1996)
	Lee R. Jackson Complex (1,500)
	Canal Park (9,097)
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COACHING STAFF

Head Coach Chris Sabo [Michigan Xavier '98]
First season at Akron
Associate Head Coach Recruiting Coordinator
Jordon Banfield [Michigan '08]
First season at Akron
Pitching Coach Asst. Recruiting Coordinator
Dan McKinney [Michigan '16]
First season at Akron
Volunteer Assistant
James Sheltrown [Akron '13, '15]
First season at Akron
Strength Coach Mike Navratril

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INTERVIEW REQUESTS

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Media planning to attend post-practice interviews should notify Athletics Communications by 5 p.m. the day before.

2020 MEDIA GUIDE

Copies of Akron's 2020 baseball media guide are now available. It is also available in PDF on our website at www.GoZips.com.

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	Facebook.com/ZipsBB
YouTube	YouTube.com/ZipsAthletics

NCAA STATISTICAL COMPARISON

Lamar [3-5]		AKRON [0-5]
Rank (average)	Category	Rank (average)
	Batting Average	
	Home Runs	
207 (1.14)	Doubles	288 (0.40
33 (0.43)	Triples	0
	Piugging Percentage	
	On Base Percentage	
188 (4.4)	Scoring	291 (1.0)
	Stolen Bases per game	
124 (3.73)	Earned Run Average (ERA)	188 (4.91)
80 (0.71)	Double Plays	128 (0.60)
	Strikeout-to-Walk Ratio	
9 (0.992)	Fielding Percentage	151 (0.966)

A WIN WOULD GIVE AKRON:

- Its first victory of the 2020 season
- Its first victory on the road
- Its first victory under head coach Chris Sabo
- Its first win over Lamar since 2011

THIS WEEK

Akron baseball continues road play this week. The Zips head South for a three-game series at Lamar.

Action begins on Friday, Feb. 28, with a 6 p.m. CT[7 p.m. ET] contest. Action continues on Saturday, Feb. 29, at 2 p.m. CT[3 p.m. ET] game. The final game is slated for Sunday, March 1, 10 a.m. CT[11 a.m. ET]. All games will be played at Vincent-Beck Stadium in Beaumont, Texas.

Livestats and a video stream (Friday and Sunday only) will be available on GoZips.com. Links are available on the baseball schedule page.

Under the guidance of first-year head coach **Chris Sabo**, Akron stands 0-5 overall after dropping a three-game series at undefeated Pepperdine, ranked No. 22 nationally this week. Returning to action after a four-year hiatus, the Akron roster features two seniors, 22 juniors, one sophomore, and eight freshmen.

Expected to start on the mound for the Zips this weekend are redshirt junior RHP **Taed Heydinger** (Bayfield, Colo.), junior RHP **Quinton Kujawa** (Mt. Vernon, III.), and freshman LHP **Jacob Clark** (Muncie, Ind.).

After five games, junior CF **Brenton Phillips** (Albany, Ga.) is the Zips' top hitter at .278. He has five hits, a double, and an RBI. Junior LF **Austin Domer** (Orrville, Ohio) follows at .222. He has two hits. Junior 2B **Bradley Goulet** (Cottage Grove, Minn.) bats .176. He has two runs and three hits. On the mound, junior RHP **Quinton Kujawa** sports a 2.19 ERA in 12.1 innings. He's fanned nine batters and walked four in two games.

The Cardinals, under the guidance of fourth-year head coach **Will Davis**, stand 3-5 overall after a 4-2 loss to UTSA on Feb. 25.

Expected to start on the mound for Lamar this weekend are junior RHP **Trevin Michael**, junior RHP **Zach Bravo**, and junior RHP **Austin Faith**.

Sophomore SS **Kelby Weyler** is the Cardinals' top hitter in the early going. A starter in every game, he has a .407 batting average with 11 hits, three runs, two doubles, a triple, and five RBI. Junior RF **Avery George** follows, batting .393 with 11 hits, , three runs, a double, and five RBI. On the mound, junior



MAC STANDINGS



[as of Feb. 24]

School	MAC	Pct.	Overall	Pct.
1. Central Michigan	0-0	.000	5-2	.714
Western Michigan	0-0	.000	5-2	.714
Kent State	0-0	.000	4-3	.571
4. Northern Illinois	0-0	.000	4-4	.500
Miami (Ohio)	0-0	.000	3-3	.500
6. Ohio	0-0	.000	3-4	.429
7. Ball State	0-0	.000	2-4	.333
8. Bowling Green	0-0	.000	1-4	.200
9. Eastern Michigan	0-0	.000	1-5	.167
10. Toledo	0-0	.000	1-6	.149
11. AKRON	0-0	.000	0-5	.000

IN THE MAC STATS

TEAM

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4.	Akron	4.91
Fie	lding	
5.	Akron	.966

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ERA 7.	l Quintn Kujawa	2.19
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RHP **Trevin Michael** sports a 1.38 ERA after pitching 13.0 innings. He has a team-best 16 strikeouts and two walks.

AKRON-LAMAR CONNECTIONS

Akron has two players from Texas on its roster–freshman 3B **Kaito Hara** (Houston, Texas | IMG Academy (Fla.) and junior RHP **Brady Mehl** (Southlake, Texas | Carroll HS).

Lamar has no players from Ohio.

LAMAR COMMON OPPONENTS

During the 2020 season, both Akron and Lamar will face no common opponents during the regular season.

AKRON-LAMAR SERIES

Akron and Lamar are tied in series play, 2-2. In the teams' last meeting in the 2011 season opener, Akron split two games with the Cardinals, winning 2-1 and dropping a 1-0 decision at Mississippi State's Duty Noble Field.

In their first meeting in 2008, the teams split two games at Lamar. The Zips won game one, 10-8, and lost game two, 10-7.

SERIES INFORMATION

Akron all-time vs. Lamar:	2-2
Akron in games at Akron:	0-0
Akron in games at Lamar:	1-1
Akron in games at a neutral site:	1-1

First meeting in series: March 7, 2008; W, 10-8 Last meeting in series: Feb. 20, 2011; L, 0-1

LAST GAME

During its first road trip of the season, the University of Akron baseball team dropped a three-game series at undefeated Pepperdine on Feb. 21-23.

In game one, the Waves claimed a 12-1 win. Akron scored its lone run in the top of fifth as freshman 3B **Kaito Hara** singled down the right line, scoring junior 1B **Cameron Tilly** (Canberra, Australia), who reached on an error by the shortstop. Junior righty **Taed Heydinger** started the game for the Zips and took the loss (0-1). He threw 6.0 innings, fanning three and walking four.

In game two, the teams were scoreless through four innings. In the top of the fifth, Mother Nature interfered. Following a 40-minute lightning delay, the game was underway once again. However, Pepperdine pulled out a 4-0 shutout victory. In his first start on the mound, junior righty **Quinton Kujawa** threw 7.0 innings and took the loss (0-1) for the Zips. He struck out three and walked one.

In game three, Akron jumped on the scoreboard immediately. With two outs in the top of the first, junior CF **Brenton Phillips** doubled to left field. Junior DH **Cameron Tilly** then singled to left center, scoring Phillips. After three quick outs in the bottom of the first, UA held the advantage, 1-0, marking the Zips' first lead of the season. Pepperdine then scored seven runs for the 7-1 win. In his first start on the mound, freshman LHP **Jacob Clark** took the loss for Akron (0-2 overall). He pitched 3.2 innings, fanning one and walking two.

ZIPS QUICK HITS

- Akron has 11 student-athletes on its roster from the state of Ohio.
- Head coach Chris Sabo played third base for the Cincinnati Reds [1988-93, 1996-97].
- Akron is one of two baseball teams that have been reinstated for the 2020 season. Boise State, which dropped baseball in 1980, also returns to the baseball diamond this spring.
- The Zips are a non-scholarship team, the only one in the MAC.

NATIONAL POLLS

[as of Feb. 24]

DIBASEBALL.COM	Rank	USA TODAY
Poll		Coaches' Poll
Florida	1	Vanderbilt
Vanderbilt	2	Louisville
Louisville	3	Texas Tech
Georgia	4	Georgia
Texas Tech	5	Arkansas
Arkansas	6	Mississippi State
Miami	7	Miami
Mississippi State	8	UCLA
Florida State	9	Auburn
UCLA	10	Florida
LSU	11	Michigan
Arizona State	12	LSU
N.C. State	13	Arizona State
Duke	14	Florida State
Mississippi	15	Stanford
Michigan	16	North Carolina
Georgia Tech	17	Oklahoma State
Texas A&M	18	N.C. State
Central Florida	19	East Carolina
Auburn	20	Duke
East Carolina	21	Texas A&M
Oklahoma	22	Georgia Tech
Dallas Baptist	23	Mississippi
Tennessee	24	Wake Forest
Long Beach State	25	Oregon State

Also Receiving Votes (USA Today):

Texas Christian 51; West Virginia 49; Arizona 45; Oklahoma 43; UC Santa Barbara 38; Texas 36; Clemson 36; South Carolina 21; Dallas Baptist 18; Baylor 16; Tennessee 14; Ohio State 11; Minnesota 10; Coastal Carolina 10; Southern Miss 9; UC Riverside 8; Cal State Fullerton 8; Connecticut 7; CSU Bakersfield 7; Old Dominion 6; Houston 6; Indiana 5; South Alabama 4; Rhode Island 4; Florida Atlantic 4; UNC Wilmington 3; Brigham Young 3; Boston College 3; San Diego State 2; Marist 2; Indiana State 2; Creighton 2; Northeastern 1.

THERE IS NO PLACE LIKE HOME

Akron opened its 117th season in 2020 after a four-year hiatus. With the resurrection of baseball for the 2020 season on the University of Akron campus came the renovation of its home field. The Zips are 0-2 at Skeeles Field this spring.

A part of the Lee R. Jackson Athletics Complex, Skeeles Field underwent major renovation in the Fall of 2019. Thanks to the generous gift from **Bill '77 and Mary Skeeles**, the new playing surface is 110,00 square feet of playing area covered with Sprinturf Ultra-blade, including the pitching mound, batter's box, and bullpens. A complete re-grading of the infield surface took place first before a drainage system was added. A 25-foot Daktronics inning-by-inning scoreboard will be installed in March 2020. Future additions include bleacher seating and a pressbox.

A formal dedication ceremony with the Skeeles is slated for Friday, March 20.

ZIPS IN THE PROS

Three former Zips are currently listed on professional baseball rosters- RHP **Chris Bassitt** (Oakland Athletics), RHP **J.T. Brubaker** (Indianapolis Indians), and OF **Joey Havrilak** (West Michigan Whitecaps). Since 1969, 29 Zips have signed contracts with professional teams.

ZIPS TO PLAY RIVAL AT CANAL PARK

Akron will take on crosstown rival Kent State on Tuesday, April 28, at 3 p.m. at Canal Park, the home of the Akron RubberDucks. The two single games against the Golden Flashes do not count as Mid-American Conference games this season.

CRYSTAL CLINIC WAGON WHEEL CHALLENGE

Akron tackles Kent State each year for the Crystal Clinic Orthopaedic Center Wagon Wheel Challenge. The 16-sport rivalry series between Akron and Kent State is based on a time-honored competition for an historic wooden wagon wheel trophy awarded originally in 1945 to the winner of the annual Akron-Kent State football game.



This season, baseball returns as one of the sports in the all-sport competition.

Since the 2011-12 academic year, the rivalry was broadened to include 16 NCAA varsity sports, with victories in each sport adding one point to the challenge standings. To learn more about the rivalry and follow the results and standings, visit:

www.WagonWheelChallenge.com

MAC PREDICTIONS

Central Michigan, which received three first-place votes, was the preseason favorite to capture the 2020 regular-season MAC title. Kent State and Ball State followed, separated by one point, while Miami was fourth.

Northern Illinois was fifth, followed by Western Michigan, Eastern Michigan, Toledo, and Bowling Green.

Newcomer Akron was selected 11th. The Zips' program is back in action this spring following a four-year hiatus. Only Buffalo (2000-17) does not currently field a baseball team.

Kent State was the overwhelming favorite to win the 2020 MAC Tournament which will be held May 20-24 at Sprenger Stadium in Avon, Ohio.

Perfect Game picked Akron eighth in the MAC, while Baseball America has the Zips 10th.

UP NEXT

Following its trip to Lamar, Akron heads to Marshall on March 6-8 for four games.



2020 ZIPS UNDER CHRIS SABO

At home 0- On the road 0- At neutral sites 0-	3
On television stream (live) 0- In non-televised games 0-	
In day games 0- In night games (6 p.m.+) 0-	
In February 0- In March 0- In April 0- In May 0-	0
Against ranked opponents 0- Against non-ranked opponents 0-	
Coming off a win	
When scoring first	1 4
Leading after 6 innings	1
Leading after 7 innings	1
Leading after 8 innings	1
Extra inning games 0-	1
Akron hits HR0- Akron hits 0 HR0-	
In 1-run games 0- In 2-run games 0- Walk-offs 0-	0
Come-from-behind wins	0

MORE ZIP QUICK HITS

- Freshman Greyson Droste's father Roger played baseball at Miami (Ohio).
- Freshman IF/P **Dylan James**'s father **Steve** played baseball for the Coshocton Trippplets (1985-86).
- Freshman **Daniel Johnson**'s uncle **Paul Ziegler** played outfield for the 1978 USC national champions and for the California Angels.
- Senior Mark Meyer's family is involved in sports. His father **Ken** played basketball at Xavier, while
 his older sister **Katie** was a three-year starter for Memphis volleyball. His uncle is **Mike Girsch**,
 general manager of the St. Louis Cardinals.
- Junior OF **Brenton Phillips** plans to join the military following graduation.
- Freshman RHP **Grayson Phillips**' mother **Jill** played basketball at Georgia, while father **Chris** played baseball at Illinois Weslevan.
- Redshirt junior C **Connor Regan** has a younger brother Brendan, who plays baseball at Michigan State. The Zips take on MSU on May 12.
- Redshirt junior OF/1B **Bryant Shellenbarger**'s younger brother **Marcus** plays football (defensive end) at Walsh.
- Junior RHP **Conor Steinbaugh**'s father **Chad** was his coach at Georgetown Ridge Farm HS.
- Junior IF Tate Wargo has an athletic family. His father Tim played baseball (1988-90) at SIU-Edwardsville, while his older brother Trae played at Benedictine (2014).
- Former infielder and catcher [2010-14] **James Sheltrown** '13, '15, is the Zips' volunteer assistant coach this season.
- Twenty-two (22) Zips are junior college transfers- IF Justin Barr (Andrew College), C Josh Beck (Jackson College), OF Austin Domer (McHenry County CC), IF Bradley Goulet (Dakota Co. Tech), OF Zac Granger (Lackawanna College), LHP Austin Gussman (Iowa Western CC), RHP Taed Heydinger (Fullerton College), RHP Jackson Hickert (Ventura College), Austin Kelly (Wabash Valley College), RHP Quinton Kujawa (Lewis & Clark CC), RHP Brady Mehl (Navarro), 1B/OF Joshua Nellis (Dyersburg State CC), OF Brenton Phillips (Andrew College), LHP Matthew Radtka (Cuyahoga CC), IF Jerry Reinhart (Lackawanna College), OF/AB Bryant Shellenbarger (Lincoln Trail College), RHP Conor Steinbaugh (Lincoln Trail College), OF Dominick Trevino (Northern Oklahoma Tonkawa), IF Tate Wargo (Lewis & Clark CC), and RHP Jacob Wosinksi (Grand Rapids CC).
- Redshirt senior C Connor Regan is a graduate transfer from Wright State.
- Transfers RHP Mark Meyer (Marshall) and IF/RHP Jackson Miller (Lake Erie College) must sit
 out the 2020 season.

DID YOU KNOW???

- Zippy, Akron's adored mascot, is just one of eight female-gendered college mascots in Division I
 athletics. Do you know the other seven? (YoUDee, the Delaware Blue Hen; Mrs. Wuf of N.C. State;
 Lucy Lobo of New Mexico; Sue E. Pig of Arkansas; Miss Pawla of South Alabama, Kate the Lion of
 Hofstra; and Wilma Wildcat of Arizona).
- Hall of Fame coach John Heisman coached football [1893-94] and baseball [1894] for Buchtel
 College (Akron's original name). The Cleveland native went on to take Georgia Tech to the national championship in 1917. The Heisman Trophy, given to the nation's most outstanding college
 player, is named in his honor.
- On Sept. 12, 2015, an 8-ft., 750-lb. bronze statue of Heisman was unveiled at InfoCision Stadium (outside Gate 1).





#17

CHRIS SABO

Head Coach

First Season Overall First Season at Akron Michigan | Xavier '98

Former Cincinnati Reds' third baseman Chris Sabo was named the 17th head coach of Akron baseball on October 23, 2018.

Sabo spent four years as the manager at IMG Academy in Florida. His team, which was nationally ranked No. 2 in 2015, was ranked No. 5 in 2018. Ten of his IMG players were drafted into Major League Baseball.

Sabo played baseball at the University of Michigan from 1981 to 1983. The Wolverines finished third at the 1983 College World Series, as Sabo earned first-team All-America honors from *The Sporting News* and *Baseball America*.

Sabo was a second round draft pick by the Cincinnati Reds in 1983. He was named the 1988 National League Rookie of the Year. A three-time National League All-Star (1988, 1990, 1991), he appeared in the 1990 World Series championship. Sabo led the Reds in home runs, hitting .563 during the series. He holds the World Series record for nine assists by a third baseman in a game. He also holds the National League record for 11 assists by a third baseman in a game. Sabo achieved a career-high batting average (.301) with 26 home runs, 88 RBI, and 175 hits in 153 games in 1991.

Sabo was inducted into the Cincinnati Reds' Hall of Fame in 2010.

Following his stellar major league career, Sabo served as a hitting coach, infield instructor, and talent evaluator within the Reds organization

He has also assisted the Xavier, Michigan, and Cincinnati baseball programs.

Sabo earned a bachelor's degree in liberal arts from Xavier University in 1998. He also attended law school at Northern Kentucky University from 2009-10.

A native of Detroit, Mich., Sabo, 58, and his wife Susan have three daughters– Annie, Brooke, and Olivia. He is an avid golfer and is heavily involved in community service-fundraising events.

THE CHRIS SABO FILE

PERSONAL

Born: January 19, 1962 (age 58)

Hometown: Detroit, Mich. Family: wife Susan

daughters- Annie, Brooke, and Olivia Education: University of Michigan [1980-83] University of Iowa [1984-85]

Xavier University, bachelor of liberal arts [1998] Northern Kentucky University, Highland Heights, Salmon P. Chase College of Law [2009-10]

Detroit Catholic Central High School

PLAYING CAREER

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	hockey, golf, and baseball
1981-83	University of Michigan, baseball
1988-93	Cincinnati Reds
1994	Baltimore Orioles
1995	Chicago White Sox
1995	St. Louis Cardinals
1996-97	Cincinnati Reds

COACHING CAREER

2003-07	Talent Evaluator/Hitting Coach, Cincinnati Reds
1988-13	College Baseball Advisor,
	University of Cincinnati,
	University of Michigan,
	Xavier University

2014-18 Manager, IMG Academy2017 Manager, Green Bay Bullfrogs [summer 2017]

2018-pres. Head coach, University of Akron

COLLEGIATE HEAD COACHING RECORD

Year	School	Record	MAC	Notable
2020	Akron	0-5	0-0	
Totals	(First year)	0-5	0-0	

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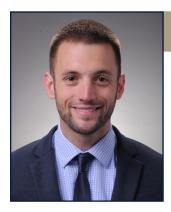
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	by The Sporting News and Baseball America
	Team MVP (twice) in minor league play
1988	National League Rookie of the Year
1988	Topps Rookie of the Year
1988	National League All-Star
1990	National League All-Star
1991	National League All-Star
2010	Cincinnati Reds' Hall of Fame induction



#33

JORDON BANFIELD

Associate Head Coach | Recruiting Coordinator First Season at Akron Michigan '08



#32

McKINNEY

Pitching Coach
| Asst. Recruiting Coordinator
First Season at Akron
Michigan '16



#26

SHELTROWN

Volunteer Assistant

First Season at Akron Akron '13, '15

AKRON BASEBALL TIMELINE

- ... Akron's longest-established sport
- First Game: 1873 Akron took on Reserve and dropped a 25-24 decision.
- First Win: 1873 The Zips claimed a 38-20 victory over Wooster.
- Conference Action: 1954 Akron joined the Ohio Athletic Conference and won the regular-season championship. The affiliation lasted through to 1966 (13 seasons).
- Independence Day: 1967 Akron became independent from 1967 until 1980 (14 seasons) and during the 1988 and 1989 seasons.
- **Stat Record:** 1975 Pitcher **Doug Christ** became the first Zip to throw a no-hitter (against Case Western Reserve). He made additional history by throwing the only back-to-back no hitters in program history, matching the feat in his next game (against Malone).
- Ohio Valley Conference: 1981 The Zips became members of the Ohio Valley Conference from 1981 to 1987 (seven seasons).
- All-America Honors: 1982 Pitcher Mike Birkbeck became the first Zip
 to earn All-America honors in program history. He was also the first Zip to
 be drafted by Major League Baseball, a fourth round pick by the Milwaukee
 Brewers in 1983.
- Mid-Continent Conference: 1990 The Zips became members of the Mid-Continent Conference from 1990 to 1992. UA won the 1991 regular-season and tournament championships.
- MACtion: 1993 Akron joined the Mid-American Conference (MAC), in which it still plays today. The Zips won the 1996 MAC Tournament. [1993 to 2015 | 2020 present]
- NCAA Regional: May 23, 1996 Akron made its first appearance in the NCAA Tournament, traveling to Central II Regional play in Lubbock, Texas. UA fell to USC (10-20) and to host Texas Tech (2-7).
- **Discontinued:** July 10, 2015 The University announced plans to cut its \$60 million deficit by cutting 200 staff positions and discontinuing the baseball program.
- Baseball Returns: Sept. 19, 2017 The University of Akron announced the return of baseball, as will as the addition of a women's lacrosse team, beginning in the 2019-20 academic year, as the Zips' 19th and 20th varsity sports.
- Head Coach Hired: Oct. 23, 2018 Former Cincinnati Reds' third baseman Chris Sabo was named the head coach of Akron baseball.
- Skeeles Field: Feb. 26, 2019 Thanks to the generous donation from Bill Skeeles '77 and his wife Mary, the baseball playing field at the Lee R. Jackson Athletics Complex received a \$1 million renovation with synthetic turf during the first phase of upgrades at Skeeles Field.
- The Boys are Back: Feb. 16, 2020 UA hosted Oakland in a doubleheader to kick off the 2020 season.
- **First Home Games:** Feb. 16, 2020 Akron hosted Oakland in a double-header at Skeeles Field in the home opener.

2020 Akron Baseball Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	B/T	Elig.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown High School Previous School
2	Justin Barr	IF	R/R	R-Jr.	5-11	175	Pensacola, Fla. Milton Andrew
7	Josh Beck	C	R/R	R-Jr.	5-10	195	Ottawa Lake, Mich. Whiteford Jackson College
34	Logan Bell	RHP	R/R	Fr.	6-1	188	Lisbon, Ohio David Anderson
18	Jacob Clark	LHP	L/L	Fr.	6-3	215	Muncie, Ind. Cowan
41	Brett Dietrich	LHP	L/L	Fr.	6-2	180	Goshen, Ohio Goshen
16	Austin Domer	OF	S/L	Jr.	5-9	180	Orrville, Ohio Orrville McHenry County CC
19	Greyson Droste	1B	R/R	Fr.	6-2	215	Fishers, Ind. Hamilton Southeastern
22	Bradley Goulet	IF	R/R	R-Jr.	6-1	195	Cottage Grove, Minn. New Life Academy Dakota Co.
12	Zac Granger	OF	R/R	Jr.	6-2	205	Elmira, N.Y. Horseheads Lackawanna College
15	Austin Gussman	LHP	L/L	R-Jr.	5-11	190	Thornton, Colo. Horizon Iowa Western CC
29	Kaito Hara	IF	R/R	Fr.	5-5	145	Houston, Texas IMG Academy
40	Taed Heydinger	RHP	R/R	R-Jr.	6-2	200	Bayfield, Colo. Bayfield Fullerton College
6	Jackson Hickert	RHP	R/R	R-Jr.	6-3	220	Hudson, Ohio Hudson Ventura College
5	Dylan James	IF/RHP	S/R	Fr.	6-1	155	Danville, Ohio Danville
25	Daniel Johnson	С	R/R	Fr.	5-10	170	Gilbert, Ariz. Mesquite
11	Austin Kelly	RHP	R/R	Jr.	6-1	215	Little Rock, Ark. Robinson Wabash Valley College
13	Quinton Kujawa	RHP	R/R	Jr.	6-5	170	Mt. Vernon, III. Mt. Vernon Twp. Lewis & Clark CC
35	Brady Mehl	RHP	R/R	Jr.	6-8	220	Southlake, Texas Carroll Navarro
31	Mark Meyer*	RHP	R/R	Sr.	6-7	205	Cincinnati, Ohio Tuslaw Marshall
42	Jackson Miller*	IF/RHP	S/R	So.	6-2	185	Medina, Ohio Highland Lake Erie College
20	Joshua Nellis	1B/OF	R/R	R-Jr.	6-3	213	Williamsburg, Va. Jamestown Dyersburg CC
8	Brenton Phillips	OF	R/R	Jr.	6-1	195	Albany, Ga. Lee County Andrew College
27	Grayson Phillips	RHP	R/R	Fr.	6-4	225	Glendale, Ohio La Salle
28	Matthew Radtka	LHP	L/L	Jr.	5-10	165	Uniontown, Ohio Lake Cuyahoga CC
3	Connor Regan	С	R/R	R-Sr.	6-2	210	Sagamore Hills, Ohio Walsh Jesuit Wright State
9	Jerry Reinhart	IF	R/R	Jr.	6-0	215	Batavia, N.Y. Batavia Lackawanna College
24	Bryant Shellenbarge	er OF/1B	L/R	R-Jr.	6-2	225	Mount Vernon, Ohio Mount Vernon Lincoln Trail
14	Conor Steinbaugh	RHP	R/R	Jr.	6-0	195	Georgetown, III. Georgetown Ridge Farm Lincoln Trail
30	Roy Thurman	OF	R/R	Jr.	6-0	200	Indianapolis, Ind. North Central Lincoln Trail
10	Cameron Tilly	С	R/R	Jr.	6-3	184	Canberra, Australia Colby CC
4	Dominick Trevino	OF	R/R	Jr.	5-9	175	Edmond, Okla. Edmond Sante Fe NOC Tonkawa CC
1	Tate Wargo	IF	R/R	Jr.	5-7	160	Benld, III. Gillespie Lewis & Clark CC
44	Jacob Wosinski	RHP	R/R	Jr.	6-8	200	Ada, Mich. Lowell Grand Rapids CC
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^{*}will sit out the 2020 season due to the NCAA transfer rule

COACHING STAFF

- 17 **Chris Sabo**, Head Coach, First Season [Xavier '98]
- 33 **Jordon Banfield**, Associate Head Coach | Recruiting Coordinator [Michigan '08]
- 32 **Dan McKinney**, Pitching Coordinator | Assistant Recruiting Coordinator [Michigan '16]
- 26 **James Sheltrown**, Volunteer Assistant Coach [Akron '13, '15]

NUMERICAL ROSTER

1	Tate Wargo	IF
2	Justin Barr	
3	Connor Regan	C
4	Dominick Trevino	
5	Dylan James	IF/RHP
6	Jackson Hickert	RHP
7	Josh Beck	C
8	Brenton Phillips	OF
9	Jerry Reinhart	IF
10	Cameron Tilly	C
11	Austin Kelly	
12	Zac Granger	
13	Quinton Kujawa	RHP
14	Conor Steinbaugh	
15	Austin Gussman	LHP
16	Austin Domer	OF
18	Jacob Clark	LHP
19	Greyson Droste	1B
20	Joshua Nellis	1B/OF
22	Bradley Goulet	
24	Bryant Shellenbarger	OF/1B
25	Daniel Johnson	
27	Grayson Phillips	RHP
28	Matthew Radtka	
29	Kaito Hara	IF
30	Roy Thurman	
31	Mark Meyer	RHP
34	Logan Bell	RHP
35	Brady Mehl	
40	Taed Heydinger	
41	Brett Dietrich	
42	Jackson Miller	IF/RHP
44	Jacob Wosinski	

PRONUNCIATIONS

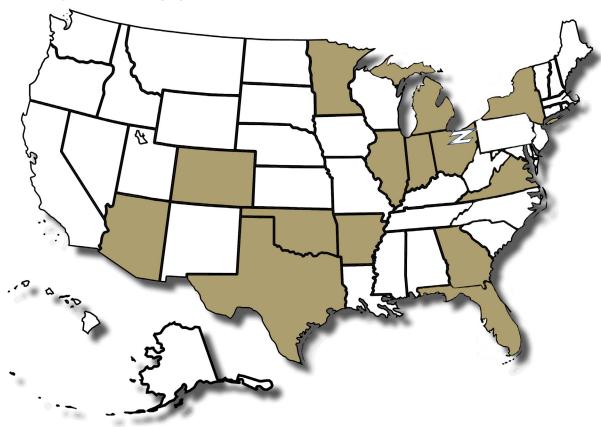
Austin Domer	Doh-mer
Bradley Goulet	Goo-lay
Taed Heydinger	. Tade High-dinger
Quinton Kujawa	~ ~
Brady Mehl	

CLASS BREAKDOWN

Redshirt Seniors	
Seniors	1
Redshirt Juniors	8
Juniors1	4
Sophomores	1
Freshmen	8

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HOMETOWN ROSTER



Player	Hometown	High School	
Arkansas (1) Austin Kelly	Little Rock	Robinson	
Arizona (1) Daniel Johnson	Gilbert	Mesquite	
Colorado (2) Austin Gussman Taed Heydiner	Thornton Bayfield	Horizon Bayfield	
Florida (1) Justin Barr	Pensacola	Milton	
Georgia (1) Brenton Phillips	Albany	Lee County	
Illinois (3) Quinton Kujawa Conor Steinbaugh Tate Wargo	Mt. Vernon Georgetown Denld	Mt. Vernon Twp. G. Ridge Farm Gillespie	
Indiana (3) Jacob Clark Greyson Droste Roy Thurman	Muncie Fishers Indianapolis	Cowan Hamilton SE North Central	

Michigan (2) Josh Beck Jacob Wosinski	Ottawa Lake Ada	Whiteford Lowell
Minnesota (1) Bradley Goulet	Cottage Grove	New Life
New York (2) Zac Granger Jerry Reinhart	Elmira Batavia	Horseheads Batavia
Ohio (11) Logan Bell	Lisbon Da	avid Anderson
Brett Dietrich Austin Domer Jackson Hickert Dylan James Mark Meyer Jackson Miller Grayson Phillips Matthew Radtka Connor Regan Bryant Shellenba	Goshen Orrville Hudson Danville Cincinnati Medina Glendale Uniontown Sagamore Hills	Goshen Orrville Hudson Danville Tuslaw Highland La Salle Lake Walsh Jesuit

Edmond E	dmond Sante Fe
Houston IMO Southlake	G Academy (Fla.) Carroll
Williamsburg	Jamestown
Canberra	Colby CC
	Houston IMC Southlake Williamsburg



2020 AKRON BASEBALL STATISTICS

Overall Statistics for AKRON (as of Feb 23, 2020) (All games Sorted by Batting avg)

Record: 0-5 Home: 0-2 Away: 0-3 MAC: 0-0

Player	avg	gp-gs	ab	r	h	2b	3b	hr	rbi	tb	slg%	bb	hp	so g	jdp	ob%	sf	sh	sb-att	ро	а	e fld%
8 PHILLIPS, Brenton	.278	5-5	18	1	5	1	0	0	1	6	.333	3	0	7	0	.381	0	0	0-2	11	0	0 1.000
16 DOMER, Austin	.222	4-3	9	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	.222	0	0	4	0	.222	0	0	0-0	6	0	0 1.000
22 GOULET, Bradley	.176	5-5	17	2	3	0	0	0	0	3	.176	5	0	5	0	.364	0	0	0-1	8	11	1 .950
24 SHELLENBARGER, B.	.150	5-5	20	0	3	1	0	0	1	4	.200	0	0	6	0	.150	0	0	0-0	14	0	0 1.000
10 TILLY, Cameron	.143	4-4	14	1	2	0	0	0	1	2	.143	3	1	5	0	.333	0	0	0-0	23	2	1 .962
2 BARR, Justin	.048	5-5	21	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	.048	1	0	5	1	.091	0	0	0-0	6	9	2 .882
1 WARGO, Tate	.500	3-2	4	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	.500	2	0	2	0	.667	0	0	1-1	1	2	1 .750
29 HARA, Kaito	.200	3-3	10	0	2	0	0	0	1	2	.200	2	0	2	0	.333	0	0	0-1	4	3	0 1.000
9 REINHART, Jerry	.143	3-3	7	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	.143	0	0	5	0	.143	0	0	0-0	7	2	0 1.000
20 NELLIS, Joshua	.000	2-1	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	4	0	.000	0	0	0-0	2	0	0 1.000
25 JOHNSON, Daniel	.000	3-3	7	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	1	4	0	.125	0	0	0-0	23	1	1 .960
4 TREVINO, Dominick	.000	2-2	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	1	0	4	0	.125	0	0	0-0	6	0	0 1.000
7 BECK, Josh	.000	3-2	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	2	0	.000	0	1	0-0	19	2	0 1.000
3 REGAN, Connor	.000	3-2	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	1	0	3	1	.167	0	0	0-0	0	0	0 .000
Totals	.137	5	153	5	21	2	0	0	4	23	.150	18	2	58	2	.237	0	1	1-5	132	36	6 .966
Opponents	.277	5	173	28	48	11	1	2	22	67	.387	23	4	39	3	.371	2	2	8-10	141	46	1 .995

LOB - Team (28), Opp (44). DPs turned - Team (3), Opp (2). IBB - Team (1), GOULET, Brad 1, Opp (4). Picked off - PHILLIPS, B.

(All games Sorted by Earned run avg)

Player	era	w-I	app gs	cg	sho	sv	ip	h	r	er	bb	so	2b	3b	hr l	b/avg	wp	hp	bk s	fa s	sha
13 KUJAWA, Quinton	2.19	0-1	2 1	0	0/0	0	12.1	10	5	3	4	9	2	0	0	.233	1	1	0	0	2
40 HEYDINGER, Taed	9.00	0-1	2 2	0	0/0	0	8.0	11	9	8	7	8	2	0	1	.306	0	1	0	0	0
44 WOSINSKI, Jacob	0.00	0-0	1 1	0	0/0	0	3.2	1	0	0	1	7	0	0	0	.083	0	0	0	0	0
28 RADTKA, Matthew	0.00	0-0	3 0	0	0/0	0	2.0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	.143	0	0	0	0	0
15 GUSSMAN, Austin	0.00	0-1	1 0	0	0/0	0	0.1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0
27 PHILLIPS, Grayson	2.45	0-0	3 0	0	0/0	0	3.2	4	1	1	0	3	0	1	0	.286	0	0	0	1	0
34 BELL, Logan	2.70	0-0	2 0	0	0/0	0	3.1	2	1	1	1	6	1	0	0	.167	0	1	0	0	0
6 HICKERT, Jackson	4.50	0-0	3 0	0	0/0	0	4.0	7	2	2	2	1	2	0	1	.412	0	0	0	0	0
18 CLARK, Jacob	6.23	0-2	2 1	0	0/0	0	4.1	6	4	3	2	2	0	0	0	.316	0	0	1	1	0
5 JAMES, Dylan	9.00	0-0	1 0	0	0/0	0	1.0	3	1	1	1	1	2	0	0	.500	0	0	0	0	0
35 MEHL, Brady	13.50	0-0	2 0	0	0/0	0	1.1	3	2	2	2	2	1	0	0	.429	2	0	0	0	0
11 KELLY, Austin	99.00	0-0	1 0	0	0/0	0	0.0	0	3	3	2	0	0	0	0		0	1	1	0	0
Totals	4.91	0-5	5 5	0	0/0	0	44.0	48	28	24	23	39	11	1	2	.277	3	4	2	2	2
Opponents	0.77	5-0	5 5	0	2/2	0	47.0	21	5	4	18	58	2	0	0	.137	1	2	0	0	1

Pickoffs - Team (0), Opp (1). SBA/ATT - BECK, Josh (4-5), JOHNSON, D. (4-5), KUJAWA, Q. (2-3), GUSSMAN, A. (1-2), CLARK, Jacob (2-2), HEYDINGER, T (2-2), HICKERT, J. (1-1).

2020 AKRON BASEBALL STATISTICS

Overall Statistics for AKRON (as of Feb 23, 2020) (All games Sorted by Fielding pct)

Player	С	ро	а	е	fld%	dp	sba	csb	sba%	pb	ci
7 BECK, Josh	21	19	2	0	1.000	0	4	1	.800	0	0
24 SHELLENBARGER, B.	14	14	0	0	1.000	0	0	0		0	0
8 PHILLIPS, Brenton	11	11	0	0	1.000	0	0	0		0	0
9 REINHART, Jerry	9	7	2	0	1.000	0	0	0		0	0
29 HARA, Kaito	7	4	3	0	1.000	1	0	0		0	0
4 TREVINO, Dominick	6	6	0	0	1.000	0	0	0		0	0
16 DOMER, Austin	6	6	0	0	1.000	0	0	0		0	0
6 HICKERT, Jackson	2	1	1	0	1.000	0	1	0	1.000	0	0
20 NELLIS, Joshua	2	2	0	0	1.000	0	0	0		0	0
44 WOSINSKI, Jacob	1	0	1	0	1.000	0	0	0		0	0
28 RADTKA, Matthew	1	0	1	0	1.000	0	0	0		0	0
13 KUJAWA, Quinton	1	0	1	0	1.000	0	2	1	.667	0	0
27 PHILLIPS, Grayson	1	1	0	0	1.000	0	0	0		0	0
10 TILLY, Cameron	26	23	2	1	.962	3	0	0		0	0
25 JOHNSON, Daniel	25	23	1	1	.960	0	4	1	.800	0	0
22 GOULET, Bradley	20	8	11	1	.950	3	0	0		0	0
2 BARR, Justin	17	6	9	2	.882	1	0	0		0	0
1 WARGO, Tate	4	1	2	1	.750	0	0	0		0	0
3 REGAN, Connor	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0		0	0
11 KELLY, Austin	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0		0	0
5 JAMES, Dylan	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0		0	0
35 MEHL, Brady	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0		0	0
40 HEYDINGER, Taed	0	0	0	0	.000	0	2	0	1.000	0	0
34 BELL, Logan	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0		0	0
18 CLARK, Jacob	0	0	0	0	.000	0	2	0	1.000	0	0
15 GUSSMAN, Austin	0	0	0	0	.000	0	1	1	.500	0	0
Totals	174	132	36	6	.966	3	8	2	.800	0	0
Opponents	188	141	46	1	.995	2	1	4	.200	0	0

Hitting minimums - 1 Games 75% of Games 1.0 TPA/Game Pitching minimums - 1 Games 1.0 IP/Game

2020 AKRON BASEBALL RESULTS

Game Results for AKRON (as of Feb 23, 2020)
(All games)

Date	Opponent		Score	Inns	Overall	MAC	Pitcher of record	Attend	Time
Feb 16, 2020	OAKLAND-1	L	3-4	(15)	0-1-0	0-0-0	GUSSMAN, A. (L 0-1)	93	4:28
Feb 16, 2020	OAKLAND-2	L	0-1	6	0-2-0	0-0-0	CLARK, Jacob (L 0-1)	36	2:10
Feb 21, 2020	at Pepperdine	L	1-12	9	0-3-0	0-0-0	HEYDINGER, T (L 0-1)	546	2:50
Feb 22, 2020	at Pepperdine	L	0-4	9	0-4-0	0-0-0	KUJAWA, Q. (L 0-1)	236	2:46
Feb 23, 2020	at Pepperdine	L	1-7	9	0-5-0	0-0-0	CLARK, Jacob (L 0-2)	326	2:35

⁽⁾ extra inning game