

ILLINOIS STATE

SOFTBALL - 2022 GAME NOTES



ILLINOIS STATE

Overall 1-8
 MVC Record 0-0
 Home Record 0-0
 Away Record 0-2
 Neutral Site Record 1-6
 Last 5 / Last 10 1-4 / 1-8
 Head Coach Melinda Fischer
 Career Record 1,136-847-4
 ISU Record 1,095-822-4
 MVC Record 511-236-2

TOURNAMENT INFO

Dates Feb. 25-27
 Location Bowling Green, Ky.
 Stadium WKU Softball Complex
 Opponents
 Ohio Bobcats 1-4
 Dayton Flyers 1-4
 Western Kentucky 8-1
 Hilltoppers

2022 SCHEDULE

Game times in CT

FEBRUARY (1-8)

10	1 - South Florida	L, 2-9
11	1 - Michigan	L, 1-4
11	1 - Florida	L, 0-3
12	1 - UMKC	L, 5-6
18	2 - California	L, 1-3
18	2 - UTEP	L, 3-4
19	2 - Minnesota	L, 5-7 (8)
19	2 - Arizona State	L, 2-12 (5)
20	2 - Portland State	W, 6-2
25	3 - Ohio	10 AM
25	3 - Dayton	12:30 PM
26	3 - Western Kentucky	12:30 PM
26	3 - TBD	TBD
27	3 - TBD	TBD

MARCH (0-0)

4	4 - Delaware	10:30 AM
4	4 - SIUE	1 PM
5	4 - Purdue	1 PM
5	4 - Florida Atlantic	6 PM
6	4 - Florida Atlantic	1:30 PM
11	5 - Chattanooga	2:30 PM
11	5 - UT Martin	7:30 PM
12	5 - Middle Tennessee	12:30 PM
12	5 - TBD	TBD
13	5 - TBD	TBD
19	at Missouri State*	12 PM (DH)
20	at Missouri State*	12 PM
23	at Northern Illinois	4 PM
26	Drake*	12 PM (DH)
27	Drake*	12 PM

APRIL (0-0)

2	Indiana State*	12 PM (DH)
3	Indiana State*	12 PM
6	Illinois	5 PM
9	Evansville*	12 PM (DH)
10	Evansville*	12 PM
12	at DePaul	4 PM
15	at Loyola*	12 PM (DH)
16	at Loyola*	12 PM
19	at Bradley*	3 PM (DH)
23	at Northern Iowa*	12 PM (DH)
24	at Northern Iowa*	12 PM
27	Bradley*	5 PM
30	Valparaiso*	12 PM (DH)

MAY (0-0)

1	Valparaiso*	12 PM
6	at Southern Illinois*	12 PM (DH)
7	at Southern Illinois*	12 PM
11-14	at MVC Tournament	TBA

All home games (BOLD)

- 1 - USF Tournament (Tampa, Fla.)
- 2 - Littlewood Classic (Tempe, Ariz.)
- 3 - Hilltopper Spring Fling (Bowling Green, Ky.)
- 4 - FAU Parents-Weekend Tournament (Boca Raton, Fla.)
- 5 - MTSU Tournament (Murfreesboro, Tenn.)

*Missouri Valley Conference Game
 - Game dates, opponents, times and locations are subject to change

OPPONENT INFORMATION

ILS vs. Ohio - Friday, Feb. 25 at 10 a.m.

Head Coach: Amy Tudor (9th)
 Career Record: 403-330-2
 Record at Ohio: 234-158-1

Record vs. Fischer: 0-1
 Series: ILS leads 4-1
 Last Meeting: 3/7/14 (ILS won 7-3)

ILS vs. Dayton - Friday, Feb. 25 at 12:30 p.m.

Head Coach: Cara LaPlaca (15th)
 Career Record: 454-487-2
 Record at Dayton: 323-361-2

Record vs. Fischer: 0-2
 Series: ILS leads 3-2
 Last Meeting: 3/13/21 (ILS won 1-0)

ILS vs. Western Kentucky - Saturday, Feb. 26 at 12:30 p.m.

Head Coach: Kenzie Roark (5th)
 Career Record: 66-62
 Record at WKU: Same

Record vs. Fischer: 3-0
 Series: ILS leads 6-5
 Last Meeting: 3/1/20 (WKU won 12-1)

PREVIEW

After capturing their first win of the season, the Redbirds (1-8) will travel to Western Kentucky (8-1) to participate in their first pool-play/seeded tournament of the season at the Hilltopper Spring Fling. Round robin will start with a contest against Ohio (1-4), followed by contests featuring Dayton (1-4) and WKU.

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ILLINOIS STATE ROSTER

NUMERICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	B/T	Ht.	Cl.	Hometown / Previous School
1	Dayna Kennedy	C/UT	R/R	5-11	Jr.	Decatur, Ill. / Mt. Zion HS
2	Rebecca Moffett	OF/UT	R/R	5-6	5th	Herrin, Ill. / John A. Logan CC
3	Hanna Hicks	UT	R/R	5-10	So.	Mapleton, Ill. / Illini Bluffs HS
4	Michele Calabrese	OF	R/R	5-7	Sr.	Naperville, Ill. / Waubonsie Valley HS
5	Chloe Jefferson	1B/C	R/R	5-7	Jr.	Kankakee, Ill. / Herscher HS
6	Emma Hicks	UT	R/R	5-10	Fr.	Mapleton, Ill. / Illini Bluffs HS
8	Kaili Chval	OF	L/R	5-8	Jr.	Aurora, Ill. / Oswego East HS
10	Brandi LaFountaine	OF/UT	R/R	5-10	Jr.	East Moline, Ill. / United Township HS
11	Addison Masching	UT	L/R	5-7	Fr.	Pontiac, Ill. / Pontiac Township HS
12	Delainey Bryant	UT	R/R	5-8	Fr.	Mattoon, Ill. / Mattoon HS
13	Allison Tillema	P	R/R	5-9	So.	Horicon, Wis. / Horicon HS
14	Madi Bylak	SS/UT	R/R	5-8	So.	Manteno, Ill. / Bishop McNamara HS
15	Emme Olson	2B/UT	L/R	5-7	Sr.	Hartsburg, Ill. / Hartsburg-Emden & Olympia HS
17	Bella Wilkerson	C/1B	R/R	6-1	Fr.	Mokena, Ill. / Lincoln-Way Central HS
18	Reili Gardner	OF	L/R	5-6	So.	Dyserville, Iowa / Burlington Central HS
20	Amanda Fox	P	L/L	5-10	Jr.	Saunemin, Ill. / Pontiac Township HS
22	Kenzie Pence	OF	L/R	5-8	Sr.	St. Joseph, Ill. / St. Joseph-Ogden HS
23	Jayden Standish	3B/UT	R/R	5-7	So.	Lexington, Ill. / Lexington HS
25	Annie Volkers	P	L/L	5-6	Fr.	Elk River, Minn. / Elk River HS
27	Hannah Ross	P	R/R	5-8	Jr.	Scottsdale, Ariz. / Chaparral HS
44	Abby Knight	UT	L/R	5-9	Fr.	Bloomington, Ill. / University HS

ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	B/T	Ht.	Cl.	Hometown / Previous School
12	Delainey Bryant	UT	R/R	5-8	Fr.	Mattoon, Ill. / Mattoon HS
14	Madi Bylak	SS/UT	R/R	5-8	So.	Manteno, Ill. / Bishop McNamara HS
4	Michele Calabrese	OF	R/R	5-7	Sr.	Naperville, Ill. / Waubonsie Valley HS
8	Kaili Chval	OF	L/R	5-8	Jr.	Aurora, Ill. / Oswego East HS
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1	Dayna Kennedy	C/UT	R/R	5-11	Jr.	Decatur, Ill. / Mt. Zion HS
44	Abby Knight	UT	L/R	5-9	Fr.	Bloomington, Ill. / University HS
10	Brandi LaFountaine	OF/UT	R/R	5-10	Jr.	East Moline, Ill. / United Township HS
11	Addison Masching	UT	L/R	5-7	Fr.	Pontiac, Ill. / Pontiac Township HS
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25	Annie Volkers	P	L/L	5-6	Fr.	Elk River, Minn. / Elk River HS
17	Bella Wilkerson	C/1B	R/R	6-1	Fr.	Mokena, Ill. / Lincoln-Way Central HS

PRONUNCIATIONS

4	Michele Calabrese	kal-uh-breeze
8	Kaili Chval	kay-LEE shuh-VELL
11	Addison Masching	mash-ing
14	Madi Bylak	by-lock
18	Reili Gardner	ry-lee

BY CLASS

5th-year (1): Moffett
 Senior (3): Calabrese, Olson, Pence
 Junior (6): Chval, Fox, Jefferson, Kennedy, LaFountaine, Ross
 Sophomore (5): Bylak, Gardner, Hicks (H), Standish, Tillema
 Freshman (6): Bryant, Hicks (E), Knight, Masching, Volkers, Wilkerson

BY STATE

Illinois (18): Bryant, Bylak, Calabrese, Chval, Fox, Gardner, Hicks (E), Hicks (H), Jefferson, Kennedy, Knight, LaFountaine, Masching, Moffett, Olson, Pence, Standish, Wilkerson
 Wisconsin (1): Tillema
 Minnesota (1): Volkers
 Arizona (1): Ross

ILLINOIS STATE HEAD COACH

MELINDA FISCHER



Melinda Fischer

Illinois State Head Coach

Illinois State.....37th Season (Illinois State '72)
 Illinois State Record.....1,095-822-4
 MVC Record.....511-236-2
 Overall Record.....1,136-847-4

Year	Overall	Conf.
2021*	31-10	17-5
2020 [#]	12-11	0-0
2019	18-33	11-10
2018	21-33	11-14
2017* ^{&}	33-24	20-6
2016	20-33	10-14
2015	25-31	14-12
2014	25-28	17-8
2013	28-20	13-7
2012 [^] !	37-23	18-8
2011 [!]	36-19	21-5
2010 [!]	32-20	19-5
2009	24-26	12-11
2008	28-20	17-7
2007 [!]	44-17-1	18-7-1
2006* [!]	38-16	19-4
2005	31-21	13-14
2004	33-19-1	18-9
2003*	29-23	20-6
2002*	34-17	21-4
2001* [^] !	37-18	19-3
2000 [^] !	27-33	10-8
1999	31-21	14-4
1998	20-30	7-11
1997*	28-21	14-2
1996*	35-19	15-2
1995* [^] !	46-14	19-1
1994	36-21	11-7
1993	26-34	11-7
1992	24-35-2	8-9-1
1991	37-21	13-5
1990*	29-26	12-2
1989	24-28	12-4
1988 [^] !	39-12	13-3
1987	41-20	11-7
1986*	35-17	13-5

[#] - Shortened season due to COVID-19 pandemic
^{*} - MVC Regular Season Title
[^] - MVC Tournament Title
[!] - NCAA Tournament Appearance
[&] - NISC Tournament Appearance

Only 24 head coaches in NCAA Division I softball can claim to have won 1,000 games in their coaching career with at least 10 years of Division I head coaching experience. Only 13 of those coaches can claim 1,000 wins at one institution. Illinois State head coach Melinda Fischer, who enters her 37th season at the helm of the Redbird softball program during the 2021-22 academic year, can claim both honors, in addition to many others.

The all-time winningest coach in Illinois State Athletics history. Missouri Valley Conference All-Centennial Head Softball Coach. A combined nine Missouri Valley Conference and Gateway Athletic Conference regular-season championships. A 2010 NFCA Hall of Fame inductee. A 2016 ISU College of Applied Science and Technology (CAST) Hall of Fame Inductee. Had the NFCA's Distinguished Service Award named after her in 2018. All of that and more define Illinois State head softball coach Melinda Fischer.

Fischer's 1,135 career victories, spread out among 38 previous seasons as a collegiate head coach, at both Eastern Illinois (1979-80) and Illinois State (1986-present), rank her as the 19th-winningest coach in NCAA Division I softball history and the 10th-winningest active head coach. She's continued her historical rise through the career coaching ranks with her 1,000th-career win in an 8-2 victory over Northern Iowa in the MVC Tournament on May 8, 2015. In April 15, 2017, Fischer became the 20th coach in NCAA Softball history to earn 1,000 wins at one school and only the 10th Division I coach reach this mark at the time.

Since 1986, during her previous 36 seasons leading the Illinois State softball program, Fischer has directed the Redbirds to national prominence, most recently with their ninth NCAA Regional appearance in 2012. Fischer had led her teams to 11 regular-season Valley titles, the most recent coming in 2021 season. She also has two Gateway regular-season championships to her credit, as well as four Valley Tournament titles.

Fischer began her coaching career in 1974 after a four-year stint as an ISU student-athlete. She became a graduate assistant coach for ISU's softball and basketball teams while completing a master's degree in physical education. As an athlete at Illinois State, Fischer helped lead the Redbirds to the 1969 Women's College World Series, coming in as runner-up to join the ISU Athletics Hall of Fame in 1993.



ILLINOIS STATE SOFTBALL STAFF



TINA KRAMOS - SENIOR ASSOCIATE HEAD COACH

Beginning her 22nd season at Illinois State during the 2021-22 school year, senior associate head coach Tina Kramos has taken the knowledge and skills she earned while playing shortstop for Missouri State from 1990-95 and transferred that into an ability to coach the Redbird hitters and outfielders into some of the finest in The Valley. Kramos was promoted to senior associate head coach on July 24, 2017. As an assistant coach at ISU, Kramos has coached three All-Americans (Amber Smith - 2006; Kara Nelson - 2007, 2010; Abby Olson - 2010), and played a role in then-freshman Kara Nelson earning the 2007 Valley Player of the Year Award. Kramos has continued her softball career beyond coaching, as she was selected to the Greek National Team in the summer 2002. Earning multiple championships, Kramos played for the team that won the 2003 European Championship in Italy.



ELAINE HEFLIN - ASSISTANT COACH

Elaine Heflin enters her first season as an assistant coach for the Redbirds in the 2021-22 season and will primarily focus on developing pitchers and recruiting. Heflin comes to Illinois State after a two year coaching stint at University of Illinois at Chicago, her alma mater. Heflin helped coach the UIC Flames to 2021 Horizon League Tournament Champions. Under her tutelage, pitcher Marley Hanlon was named 2021 Horizon League Tournament MVP. Prior to beginning her coaching career, Heflin had a stellar four years at UIC as a pitcher. In her career at UIC, she was a three-year recipient of the Horizon League Pitcher of the Year award (2015, 2016, 2017). She also earned NFCA All-Great Lakes Region Third Team twice and NFCA All-Great Lakes Regional Second Team once. Following her outstanding senior season, posting a 2.08 ERA with 151 K in 141.1 IP, Heflin was nominated for NCAA Woman of the Year in 2017.



MARGIE WRIGHT - VOLUNTEER ASSISTANT COACH

Margie Wright will serve as a volunteer assistant coach at home games for the Redbirds in 2022.

Wright, who was a pitcher for the Redbirds from 1971-74, returned to her alma mater from 1980-85 to lead the Redbirds, before finishing her collegiate coaching career at Fresno State (1986-12). The Hall of Fame coach directed the Bulldogs to a national title in 1998, while guiding the program to the NCAA Women's College World Series 10 times out of the program's 12 appearances. She became the NCAA's all-time winningest softball coach in 2000 and currently sits third (1,457), behind Michigan's Carol Hutchins (1,631) and Arizona's Mike Candrea (1,633).



HAILEY COLE GRADUATE MANAGER UNC '20



CASSIE LYNCH ATHLETIC TRAINER NORTH DAKOTA '21



APRYL SMITH GRADUATE MANAGER INDIANA '19



DAN LENSBY ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF ATHLETIC PERFORMANCE

SCOUTING THE OPPONENT

OHIO UNIVERSITY



History: The Ohio Bobcats and Illinois State Redbirds will face off for the sixth time in program history, with the Redbirds' holding the advantage in the all-time series record (4-1). The last time these two teams met was on March 7, 2014 and Illinois State topped Ohio 7-3.

2021 Recap: In 2021, the Bobcats had an overall record 21-26 and were 17-21 in conference play. The Mid-American Conference disbanded its conference tournament, so the Bobcats ended up 7th in the MAC after regular-season play.

2022 Summary: The Bobcats have one weekend of games under their belt and currently sit at 1-4 overall. Their only win is over Lamar University.

UNIVERSITY OF DAYTON



History: The Flyers and the Redbirds will meet for the sixth time in program history. Illinois State holds a 3-2 advantage in the all-time series record which dates back to 2000. The Flyers and the Redbirds met twice last season, each team taking a game. The last time these two teams squared off was on March 13, 2021 with Illinois State winning the contest 1-0 in walk-off fashion on a Jayden Standish solo home run.

2021 Recap: Dayton was 21-26 overall last season and posted a 14-8 record in conference play. The Flyers participated in the Atlantic 10 tournament, winning their first two games and losing the next two, both at the hands of George Washington.

2022 Summary: The Flyers are currently 1-4 overall, earning a lone win over Sam Houston.

WESTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY



History: The Hilltoppers and the Redbirds will play their 12th matchup in program history with the 'Birds leading 6-5 in the all-time series. These two teams last met for a pair of contests in the shortened 2020 season, Western Kentucky winning both those contests. The last matchup was on March 1, 2020 and the Hilltoppers won 12-1 in five innings. In fact, WKU has won the last four of five contests over the Redbirds, dating back to March of 2006.

2021 Recap: The Hilltoppers posted a 32-15 overall record in 2021 and were 10-6 in conference. They won the Conference USA tournament, earning a bid to an NCAA Regional. WKU beat UNC Greensboro, but lost to Georgia and Duke to end its 2021 campaign.

2022 Summary: Western Kentucky is currently 8-1 with its only loss to (RV) Texas A&M.

TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

Friday, February 25

10 a.m. Ohio vs. **ILS**
12:30 p.m. **Dayton** vs. Illinois State
3 p.m. **WKU** vs. Ohio
5:30 p.m. **WKU** vs. Dayton

*home team in BOLD
**all times in CT

Saturday, February 26

10 a.m. **Ohio** vs. Dayton
12:30 p.m. **WKU** vs. ILS
3 p.m. 1 vs. 4
5:30 p.m. 2 vs. 3

*home team in BOLD
**all times in CT

Sunday, February 27

11 a.m. Consolation
1:30 p.m. Championship

**all times in CT

PROFILE

Location: Normal, Ill.
 University Founded: 1857
 Enrollment: 20,720
 Nickname: Redbirds
 Colors: Red & White
 Affiliation: NCAA Division I
 Conference: Missouri Valley
 President: Dr. Terri Goss Kinzy
 Director of Athletics: Kyle Brennan
 Faculty Representative: Dr. Jeri Beggs

PROGRAM HISTORY

First Season: 1965
 All-Time Record: 1,460-1,011-6 (.591)
 All-Time DI Record (since 1983): 1,166-874-4 (.572)
 All-Time Gateway/MVC Record: 538-243-2 (.689)
 Regular Season Conference Titles: 14
 Conference Tournament Titles: 6
 NCAA Tournament Appearances: 9
 ('88, '95, '00, '01, '06, '07, '10, '11, '12)
 MVC Most Valuable Players: 11

'BIRDS IN 2021

2021 Record: 31-10
 2021 MVC Record (finish): 17-5 (1)
 Home Record: 9-3
 Away Record: 13-3
 Neutral Site Record: 9-4
 Starters Returning / Lost: 8 / 3
 Facility (Capacity): Marian Kneer Stadium (1,050)

2022 COACHING STAFF

Head Coach: Melinda Fischer

Season: 37th (Illinois State '72)

Record at ISU: 1,095-822-4 (37 years)

Career Record: 1,136-847-4 (38 years)

Senior Associate HC: Tina Kramos

Season: 22nd (Missouri State '95)

Assistant Coach: Elaine Heflin

Season: 1st (UIC '17)

Graduate Manager: Hailey Cole

Season: 1st (UNC '20)

Graduate Manager: Apryl Smith

Season: 1st (Indiana '19)

Volunteer Assistant: Margie Wright (Illinois State '74)

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THE LAST TIME...

ILLINOIS STATE:

Scored 10 Runs at Valparaiso - W, 10-0 (5/7/21)
 Scored 11 Runs vs. Austin Peay - W, 11-4 (2/28/20)
 Scored 12 Runs vs. Coastal Carolina - W, 12-5 (3/7/21)
 Scored 13 Runs vs. Rutgers - W, 13-2 {5} (3/11/17)
 Scored 14 Runs at Indiana State - W, 14-2 {5} (3/23/19)
 Scored 15 Runs at Wichita State - W, 15-2 {5} (4/20/13)
 Scored 16+ Runs at Evansville - W, 16-8 {6} (3/17/19)
 Hit One Home Run vs. UMKC (2/12/22)
 Hit Two Home Runs vs. Portland State (2/20/22)
 Hit Three Home Runs at Evansville (4/25/21)
 Hit Four Home Runs vs. Bradley (4/22/21)
 Hit Five Home Runs vs. North Texas (2/13/15)
 Hit Six Home Runs Loyola (4/9/17)
 Defeated a Ranked Opponent vs. No. 16 Indiana - W, 3-0 (3/2/19)
 Shutout an Opponent at Valparaiso - W, 10-0 (5/8/21)
 Was Shutout vs. No. 6/5 Florida - L, 0-3 (2/11/22)
 Was Shutout at Home vs. UNI - L, 8-0 {5} (5/2/21)
 Failed to Walk at No. 23/21 Arizona State - L, 12-2 {5} (2/19/22)
 Did Not Strikeout vs. Austin Peay - W, 5-4 (2/29/20)
 Struck Out Just Once at Indiana St. - W, 10-0 {5} (3/20/21)
 Was No-Hit vs. South Florida - L, 7-0 (2/6/15)
 Had One Hit at Tennessee - L, 3-0 (2/24/21)
 Played Extra Innings vs. (RV) Minnesota - L, 5-7 {8} (2/19/22)
 Committed No Errors vs. Portland State - W, 6-2 (2/20/22)
 Committed Three Errors vs. DePaul - W, 7-2 (4/13/21)

AN ILLINOIS STATE HITTER:

Hit a Home Run Delainey Bryant vs. Portland State (2/20/22)
 Hit Two Home Runs Mack Leonard vs. Bradley (4/22/21)
 Hit Three Home Runs Caitlyn Daly at Evansville (4/29/17)
 Hit a Grand Slam Jayden Standish vs. Coastal (3/7/21)
 Drew Four Walks Brittni LaFontaine vs. NC State (2/8/19)
 Stole Two Bases Taylor Vanderpool at Southern U (3/9/20)
 Had Three Hits Emme Olson vs. (RV) Minnesota (2/19/22)
 Had Four Hits Mack Leonard vs. Pitt (3/6/21)
 Had Five Hits Lauren Kellar vs. UIC (2/17/13)
 Had Three RBI Abby Knight vs. Portland State (2/20/22)
 Had Four RBI Andrea Coursey at Valparaiso (5/7/21)
 Had Five RBI Mack Leonard vs. Bradley (4/22/21)
 Had Six+ RBI Alyssa Wiebel {6} vs. NC State (2/8/19)
 Hit Back-to-Back HRs Coursey, Strandgard at Valparaiso (5/8/21)
 Hit Three-Straight HRs Buker, Warning, Smith vs. Drake (4/14/07)
 Hit Four-Straight HRs de los Reyes, Spence, Wiebel,
 R. Strandgard vs. Loyola (4/9/17)
 Scored Four Runs Emme Olson at Evansville (3/17/19)

AN ILLINOIS STATE PITCHER:

Struck Out 10 Batters Morgan Day vs. SIU {10} (5/14/21)
 Struck Out 15+ Batters Morgan Day vs. DePaul {15} (4/13/21)
 Did Not Issue a Walk (CG) Morgan Day at Middle Tenn. (3/13/21)
 Threw a Perfect Game Taylor Baxter vs. Central Conn. St. (2/27/11)
 Threw a No-Hitter Morgan Day vs. North Dakota St. (3/14/21)
 Threw a One-Hitter Mack Leonard at Valparaiso (5/7/21)
 Pitched 11 Innings Jordan Birch vs. Drake (4/15/12)
 Pitched 12 Innings Shannon Nicholson vs. Missouri State (5/5/07)
 Pitched 13 Innings Audra Rast vs. Indiana State (4/1/00)

GAME NOTES

PITCHERS' WORST KNIGHT-MARE

True freshman **Abby Knight** put on a show at the Littlewood Classic. She was 4-for-8, blasting her first home run against No. 23/21 Arizona State to break up the Sun Devil's no-hitter. She also hit a two-run shot against Portland State in the first inning and helped propel the Redbirds to their first win of the 2022 season. Knight collected six RBI over the course of four games, making three starts as the designated player. She was named the Missouri Valley Conference Newcomer of the Week heading into the Redbirds' third week of action. Knight is currently tied for first in the conference in home runs (2) and is second in the conference in slugging percentage (.909).

GARDNER STEPPING UP

Sophomore **Reili Gardner** seems to be trending in the right direction after a start her freshman season. In 2021, Gardner collected 20 hits through 39 games and had a season average of .233. Currently, she leads the team in batting average, hitting .417, which also places her fifth in the conference. Through the first nine games, Gardner has already collected 10 hits and scored four runs, which are both tied for most on the team in their respective categories. She also ranks second on the team in RBI, collecting five already. Gardner has really stepped up as a leader on the offense and defense, making eight starts in center field with 13 putouts and no errors.

REDBIRD ROOKIES

Four freshmen made their collegiate debuts in the Redbirds' first weekend of action (Feb. 10-12) at USF, including **Delainey Bryant**, **Addison Masching**, **Bella Wilkerson** and **Abby Knight**. Bryant started at shortstop against USF, but didn't collect her first hit until the game against UMKC where her hard hit and speed propelled her to a triple. Masching was 2-for-6 on the weekend recording two doubles. Wilkerson was solid behind the plate and registered her first collegiate hit on a smoked single up the middle. Knight made a start at first base, and got hit by a pitch against No. 16/13 Michigan.

The Redbird rookies posted another solid weekend at the Littlewood Classic in Tempe, Ariz. Masching started all five games, including two against ranked opponents, and collected five hits including a triple, two walks, and scored four runs. Wilkerson saw action in two games and went 3-for-5 with a double and home run. Bryant was 3-for-9 with a home run, triple and four RBI.

STAFF EFFORT

Going into the 2022 season, Coach Fischer emphasized that pitching would be a "staff effort" which has proven to be true through the first nine games of the season. Illinois State has relied on juniors **Amanda Fox** and **Hannah Ross** to lead them in the circle. Neither has pitched a complete game yet, but they have combined to throw 31 K in 55.1 IP. Freshmen **Annie Volkers** and **Emma Hicks** have both made one appearance as well.

REDBIRDS PICKED TO FINISH 6TH

The Redbirds were the Missouri Valley regular season champions a season ago, posting an overall record of 31-10 and were 17-5 in conference. After losing multiple key players/starters in the offseason, Illinois State has been chosen to finish sixth in the MVC in the 2022 season.

PRESEASON ALL-MVC

Senior 2B/UT **Emme Olson** was named to the Preseason All-Missouri Valley Conference team prior to the 2022 season. Last season, Olson played in and started all 41 games for the Redbirds, ending third on the team in batting average. She is a second year team captain for the Redbirds and is currently tied for the team lead in hits (10) and ranks second in batting average (.385). She is the only player on Illinois State's roster that has started and played in every game so far in 2022 (9).

MAGIC NUMBER: 1,100

Head coach **Melinda Fischer** is approaching her 1,100 win at Illinois State. She currently has 1,095 wins under her belt since taking over the Redbirds' program in 1986. Fischer needs just five wins to reach this milestone. She is the winningest head coach in Illinois State history as well as leads the conference for most overall softball wins at a Valley school (second highest is 844 by Missouri State head coach, Holly Hesse). Fischer also leads the Valley with 511 conference wins during her time with the Redbirds.

Coach Fischer earned her 1,100 career win with an 11-4 decision against Austin Peay on Feb. 28, 2020. Fischer's 1,135 career victories, spread out among 38 seasons as a collegiate head coach, at both Eastern Illinois (1979-80) and Illinois State (1986-present), rank her as the 26th-winningest coach in NCAA Division I softball history and the 11th-winningest active head coach.

FAMILY TIES

The Illinois State softball team has had several sets of sisters come through the softball program in recent years, all playing at least one season together, including sisters **Hanna** and **Emma Hicks** on the current roster.

The last pair to play together was **Brandi LaFontaine** and **Brittini LaFontaine**. Brandi is currently on the Illinois State roster while Brittini played four seasons for the Redbirds and graduated in 2021.

Senior infielder **Emme Olson** is the first to have had a sister play for Melinda Fischer and not been able to share a season playing together, as Emme is the younger sister of Redbird All-American **Abby Olson**, who played for Fischer from 2008-11.

CONFERENCE ADDITIONS

The Missouri Valley Conference will look a little bit different in 2022-23 as Belmont, Murray State and UIC have accepted invitations to join the conference. The Bruins (OVC), Racers (OVC), and Flames (Horizon) will begin competing in the conference in the fall of 2022.

Illinois State has a connection to UIC as assistant coach **Elaine Heflin** is a UIC alumna and was an assistant coach for the Flames last season. Heflin was a three-time Horizon League Pitcher of the Year award winner in her time with the Flames. She helped coach the Flames to an NCAA Regional last season after the Flames went 29-23 overall.

The conference has not yet announced how it plans to accommodate 12 teams as opposed to 10 in terms of scheduling for the upcoming 2023 season.

GAME NOTES

2022 USA TODAY / NFCA DI TOP 25 POLL

RANK	SCHOOL	RECORD	PTS.	PREV.	CONFERENCE
1	Oklahoma	10-0	800	1	Big 12
2	Alabama	9-0	765	2	SEC
3	Florida State	10-0	728	5	ACC
4	Florida	10-0	710	4	SEC
5	Washington	9-1	662	6	Pac-12
6	UCLA	7-3	638	3	Pac-12
7	Virginia Tech	8-2	591	8	ACC
8	Arizona	7-2	532	9	Pac-12
9	Oregon	8-1	470	12	Pac-12
10	Arkansas	7-3	462	10	SEC
11	Oklahoma State	6-4	449	7	Big 12
12	Kentucky	9-1	448	16	SEC
13	Duke	8-2	427	14	ACC
14	Clemson	6-3	389	15	ACC
15	Georgia	9-2	380	13	SEC
16	Missouri	8-3	244	17	SEC
17	Tennessee	6-3	236	18	SEC
18	Northwestern	7-2	233	RV	Big Ten
19	Michigan	5-4	226	19	Big Ten
20	Louisiana	6-0	203	20	Sun Belt
21	Auburn	9-1	167	RV	SEC
22	Arizona State	7-3	140	23	Pac-12
23	Texas	5-6	131	11	Big 12
24	LSU	6-5	129	21	SEC
25	USF	6-2	70	RV	AAC

Receiving Votes: UCF (46), Notre Dame (37), Stanford (20), Wichita State (15), **Minnesota (14)**, Iowa State (11), James Madison (11), Wisconsin (8), **Illinois (5)**, Charlotte (2), Liberty (1)

****All Illinois State 2022 opponents in bold italics**

ESPN / USA SOFTBALL TOP 25 POLL

RANK	SCHOOL	RECORD	PTS.	PREV.	CONFERENCE
1	Oklahoma	10-0	624	1	Big 12
2	Alabama	9-0	596	2	SEC
3	Florida State	10-0	570	6	ACC
4	Florida	10-0	547	4	SEC
5	Washington	9-1	527	5	Pac-12
6	UCLA	7-3	505	3	Pac-12
7	Virginia Tech	8-2	463	8	ACC
8	Arkansas	7-3	382	10	SEC
9	Clemson	6-3	370	12	ACC
10	Arizona	7-2	367	11	Pac-12
11	Oregon	8-1	354	13	Pac-12
12	Oklahoma State	6-4	347	7	Big 12
13	Duke	8-2	339	14	ACC
14	Kentucky	9-1	284	19	SEC
15	Northwestern	7-2	276	23	Big Ten
16	Michigan	5-4	203	16	Big Ten
17	Tennessee	6-3	190	15	SEC
18	Georgia	9-2	178	18	SEC
19	Missouri	8-3	170	17	SEC
20	Louisiana	6-0	169	20	Sun Belt
21	Auburn	9-1	137	25	SEC
22	Arizona State	7-3	129	21	Pac-12
23	LSU	6-5	89	22	SEC
24	Texas	5-6	75	9	Big 12
25	USF	6-2	71	RV	AAC

Receiving Votes: Texas A&M (42), UCF (39), Notre Dame (30), Wisconsin (10), **Illinois (8)**, **Minnesota (8)**, BYU (7), James Madison (6), Baylor (3), San Diego State (3), Stanford (3), Oregon State (2), LMU (1)

****All Illinois State 2022 opponents in bold italics**

2021 MVC FINAL STANDINGS

Team.....Overall, Conference
1. Illinois State 31-10, 17-5*
2. UNI 32-20, 20-7
3. Missouri State 26-17, 16-6
4. Southern Illinois 37-16, 16-10!
5. Drake 19-30, 12-14
6. Bradley 20-22, 12-15
7. Indiana State..... 20-28, 12-15
8. Evansville..... 23-22, 11-14
9. Loyola..... 13-29, 8-16
10. Valparaiso..... 5-35, 1-23

* Regular Season Champions

! Tournament Champions

2022 MVC PRESEASON POLL

Team (FPV).....Overall Record
1. UNI (5)..... 0-0
2. Southern Illinois (3)..... 0-0
3. Missouri State (1) 0-0
4. Drake (1)..... 0-0
5. Indiana State..... 0-0
6. Illinois State 0-0
7. Bradley 0-0
8. Evansville..... 0-0
9. Loyola..... 0-0
10. Valparaiso..... 0-0

2022 PRESEASON ALL-CONFERENCE

Name	Team	Position
Haley Woolf	Evansville	1B
Emme Olson	Illinois State	2B
Lexie Siwek	Indiana State	3B
Daphne Plummer	Missouri State	SS
Emmy Wells	UNI	C
Madison Hunsaker	Missouri State	UT/P
Isabella Henning	Indiana State	DP/UT-NP
Bella Peterson	Indiana State	OF
Jenny Jansen	Southern Illinois	OF
Kamryn Shaffer	UNI	OF
Sarah Harness	Southern Illinois	P
Kailyn Packard	UNI	P

GAME NOTES

FINAL 2021 OVERALL STATISTICS

● Indicates not on 2022 roster

Record: 31-10 Home: 10-4 Away: 14-3 Neutral: 7-3 MVC: 17-5

Player	avg	gp-gs	ab	r	h	2b	3b	hr	rbi	tb	slg%	bb	hp	so	gdp	ob%	sf	sh	sb-att	po	a	e	fld%
● 31 Leonard, Mack	.425	41-41	127	36	54	8	2	10	38	96	.756	26	3	15	0	.532	0	0	3-3	8	52	1	.984
8 Chval, Kaili	.336	41-41	116	22	39	5	1	0	17	46	.397	23	6	20	1	.459	3	3	4-7	45	1	4	.920
15 Olson, Emme	.318	41-41	129	22	41	8	1	4	28	63	.488	14	3	15	0	.392	2	0	4-4	64	52	9	.928
● 6 Coursey, Andrea	.297	35-27	91	11	27	4	1	3	20	42	.462	4	3	17	0	.343	1	1	0-0	11	8	3	.864
● 21 Strandgard, Spenser	.274	41-40	106	20	29	3	0	5	19	47	.443	18	0	18	0	.379	0	1	2-2	215	4	5	.978
23 Standish, Jayden	.271	33-29	85	11	23	5	2	5	17	47	.553	10	1	31	1	.354	0	2	0-0	31	48	2	.975
18 Gardner, Reili	.233	39-38	86	20	20	4	1	1	10	29	.337	5	0	32	0	.272	1	3	3-3	36	1	2	.949
14 Bylak, Madi	.209	40-40	91	15	19	4	1	0	9	25	.275	9	3	21	2	.295	2	8	4-4	35	64	10	.908
1 Kennedy, Dayna	.179	40-40	106	17	19	2	1	4	20	35	.330	19	3	26	1	.313	3	2	5-5	283	11	2	.993

10 LaFontaine, Brandi	.250	16-0	12	1	3	1	0	1	1	7	.583	5	0	2	0	.471	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
5 Jefferson, Chloe	.219	25-6	32	2	7	1	0	0	3	8	.250	3	0	11	0	.278	1	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
● 44 LaFontaine, Brittini	.185	14-10	27	2	5	1	0	0	4	6	.222	1	0	10	0	.207	1	0	0-0	62	5	0	1.000
2 Moffett, Rebecca	.167	28-13	36	14	6	1	0	0	0	7	.194	2	2	12	0	.250	0	3	4-4	8	2	0	1.000
4 Calabrese, Michelle	.000	32-20	7	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	6	0	.000	0	1	1-1	11	1	0	1.000
3 Hicks, Hanna	.000	6-0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	1	0	2	1	.167	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
29 Day, Morgan	.000	1-1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	4	13	3	.850
Totals	.277	41	1056	197	292	47	10	33	186	458	.434	140	24	238	6	.370	14	24	30-33	813	263	42	.962
Opponents	.201	41	1008	104	203	28	4	19	94	296	.294	99	12	332	6	.279	5	9	39-45	784	267	53	.952

LOB - Team (278), Opp (217). DPs turned - Team (13), Opp (11). IBB - Team (1), Leonard, M. 1.

(All games Sorted by Earned run avg)

Player	era	w-l	app	gs	cg	sho	sv	ip	h	r	er	bb	so	2b	3b	hr	b/avg	wp	hp	bk	sfa	sha
29 Day, Morgan	2.10	19-6	29	23	19	8/0	0	163.0	107	49	38	35	247	17	3	14	.181	5	3	0	3	4
31 Leonard, Mack	3.33	11-4	21	17	9	6/0	1	100.0	86	49	37	60	80	11	1	5	.224	12	9	0	2	5

20 Fox, Amanda	0.00	0-0	1	0	0	0/0	0	0.2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.500	0	0	0	0	0
27 Ross, Hannah	4.91	1-0	3	1	0	0/0	0	7.1	9	6	4	4	5	0	0	0	.281	1	0	0	0	0
Totals	2.62	31-10	41	41	28	14/0	1	271.0	203	104	79	99	332	28	4	19	.201	18	12	0	5	9
Opponents	5.54	10-31	41	41	16	4/0	0	261.1	292	197	161	140	238	47	10	33	.277	20	24	0	14	24

PB - Team (5), Kennedy, D. 5, Opp (7). Pickoffs - Team (2), Kennedy, D. 2. SBA/ATT - Kennedy, D. (31-34), Day, M. (18-23), Leonard, M. (21-22), LaFount, Bri (8-11).

DYNAMIC DUO

Only two of the Redbirds' returners, **Emme Olson** and **Kaili Cvhal**, can claim to have started and played in all 41 games during the 2021 season. They are also Illinois State's top two offensive returners with Chval and Olson ending the season with the second and third highest team batting averages, respectively.

Chval ended 2021 with a .336 average. She finished second on the team in batting average, runs scored (22), doubles (5) and walks (23). She also reached base safely in 15 straight games from March 5-21, 2021.

Olson averaged .318 during the 2021 season. She tied Chval for second on the team in runs scored (22), tied for the team lead in doubles (8), and hit four home runs. She was also a perfect 4-for-4 in stolen bases during the 2021 season.

FRESH FACES

Illinois State welcomes six freshmen to the Birdhouse in 2022. The class is highlighted by four utility players - adding depth both offensively and defensively. **Abby Knight** is a local player from Bloomington, Ill., who played at University High School. The other three utility assets are **Emma Hicks**, **Delaney Bryant** and **Addison Masching**, and all three are Illinois natives. Rounding out the incoming freshman class is LHP **Annie Volkers** from Elk River, Minn. and catcher/first-baseman **Bella Wilkerson** from Mokena, Ill.

NEVER THE SAME

The Redbirds have not had the same starting lineup for any game this season. Coach Fischer has put a different combination on the field for each of the nine games, trying to figure out the best lineup and defensive layout for the Redbirds. Illinois State lost five players listed on the 2021 overall stats - allowing for plenty of opportunity this season for new players to fill those roles.

2022 CUMULATIVE STATISTICS

Record: 1-8 Home: 0-1 Away: 0-1 Neutral: 1-6 MVC: 0-0

Player	avg	gp-gs	ab	r	h	2b	3b	hr	rbi	tb	slg%	bb	hp	so	gdp	ob%	sf	sh	sb-att	po	a	e	fld%
Gardner, R.	.417	9-8	24	4	10	1	0	0	5	11	.458	0	0	5	0	.417	0	1	0-0	13	0	0	1.000
Olson, E.	.385	9-9	26	1	10	2	0	0	3	12	.462	2	1	3	0	.448	0	0	0-0	20	17	2	.949
Knight, A.	.364	6-4	11	3	4	0	0	2	6	10	.909	1	1	4	0	.429	1	0	0-0	10	0	0	1.000
Wilkerson, B	.357	6-4	14	1	5	1	0	1	1	9	.643	0	0	3	0	.357	0	0	0-0	16	1	1	.944
Masching, A.	.350	8-7	20	4	7	2	1	0	0	11	.550	5	0	6	0	.480	0	0	0-0	4	8	0	1.000
Bryant, D.	.294	9-5	17	3	5	1	2	1	4	13	.765	0	0	4	0	.294	0	0	0-0	7	11	1	.947
Chval, K.	.167	7-6	18	3	3	0	0	0	0	3	.167	1	0	8	0	.211	0	0	0-0	4	0	1	.800
Moffett, R.	.150	8-7	20	1	3	1	0	0	1	4	.200	2	0	5	0	.227	0	0	2-2	11	0	1	.917
Jefferson, C	.130	8-7	23	1	3	0	0	0	2	3	.130	0	0	7	0	.130	0	0	0-0	36	1	0	1.000
Kennedy, D.	.111	6-6	18	1	2	0	0	1	1	5	.278	1	0	4	0	.158	0	0	0-0	18	2	1	.952
Bylak, M.	.111	6-4	9	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	.111	0	0	3	0	.111	0	1	0-0	3	11	0	1.000
Standish, J.	.000	5-3	12	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	7	0	.000	0	0	0-0	1	3	1	.800
LaFount, Bra	.000	6-4	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	1	0	6	0	.083	0	0	0-0	4	0	0	1.000

Calabrese, M	.143	6-4	7	2	1	0	0	0	1	1	.143	0	0	4	0	.143	0	0	0-0	6	0	0	1.000
Hicks, H.	.000	7-3	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	1	1	5	0	.200	0	0	0-0	13	1	0	1.000
Totals	.227	9	238	25	54	8	3	5	24	83	.349	14	3	74	0	.277	1	2	2-2	170	61	8	.967
Opponents	.298	9	235	50	70	15	3	7	46	112	.477	33	3	32	2	.387	3	4	13-14	183	52	8	.967

LOB - Team (51), Opp (59). DPs turned - Team (2), Opp (3).

(All games Sorted by Earned run avg)

Player	era	w-l	app	gs	cg	sho	sv	ip	h	r	er	bb	so	2b	3b	hr	b/avg	wp	hp	bk	sfa	sha
Fox, A.	3.68	1-3	8	5	0	0/0	0	32.1	36	21	17	14	22	7	1	5	.288	1	1	0	3	4
Ross, H.	5.78	0-4	9	3	0	0/0	0	23.0	29	22	19	13	9	6	2	1	.284	6	2	0	0	0

Hicks, E.	31.50	0-0	1	0	0	0/0	0	1.1	5	6	6	2	1	2	0	1	.625	0	0	0	0	0
Volkers, A.	99.00	0-1	1	1	0	0/0	0	0.0	0	1	1	4	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0
Totals	5.31	1-8	9	9	0	0/0	0	56.2	70	50	43	33	32	15	3	7	.298	7	3	0	3	4
Opponents	2.30	8-1	9	9	3	1/1	1	61.0	54	25	20	14	74	8	3	5	.227	2	3	0	1	2

'BIRDS IN THE VALLEY TOP 10

Reili Gardner: 5th in batting average (.417), T3 in hits (10), T5 in sacrifice bunts (1)

Emme Olson: T8 in batting average (.385), T3 in hits (10), T3 in hit-by-pitch (1)

Abby Knight: 2nd in slugging percentage (.909), T4 in RBI (6), T1 in home runs (2), T3 in hit-by-pitch (1), T1 in sacrifice flies (1)

Delaine Bryant: T3 in slugging percentage (.765), T2 in triples (2), T2 in home runs (1)

Addison Masching: 7th in on-base percentage (.480), T3 in triples (1), T4 in walks (5)

Bella Wilkerson: 9th in slugging percentage (.643), T2 in home runs (1)

Dayna Kennedy: T2 in home runs (1)

Rebecca Moffett: T3 in stolen bases (2)

GAME NOTES

MISCELLANEOUS STATS

Multiple Hit Games	2	3	4	5+	Total
Olson, E.	3	1	-	-	4
Gardner, R.	4	-	-	-	4
Bryant, D.	2	-	-	-	2
Masching, A.	2	-	-	-	2
Chval, K.	1	-	-	-	1
Moffett, R.	1	-	-	-	1
Knight, A.	1	-	-	-	1
Wilkerson, B.	1	-	-	-	1
Jefferson, C.	1	-	-	-	1
TEAM	16	1	0	0	17

Multiple RBI Games	2	3	4	5+	Total
Bryant, D.	2	-	-	-	2
Jefferson, C.	1	-	-	-	1
Knight, A.	-	1	-	-	1
Gardner, R.	-	1	-	-	1
TEAM	3	2	0	0	5

Hitting Streaks	Longest	Current
Masching, A.	4	1
Gardner, R.	4	1
Wilkerson, B.	3	3
Knight, A.	3	3
Kennedy, D.	2	-
Olson, E.	2	1
Bylak, M.	1	-
Calabrese, M.	1	-
Moffett, R.	1	-
Chval, K.	1	-
Jefferson, C.	1	-
Bryant, D.	1	1

Reached Base Streaks	Longest	Current
Olson, E.	6	1
Masching, A.	5	1
Gardner, R.	4	1
Knight, A.	3	3
Wilkerson, B.	3	3
Moffett, R.	2	2
Kennedy, D.	2	-
Hicks, H.	2	-
Jefferson, C.	1	-
Bryant, D.	1	1
Bylak, M.	1	-
Chval, K.	1	-
LaFount, Bra	1	-
Calabrese, M.	1	-

HOME RUN TRACKER (TOTAL = 5)

Feb. 12..... Dayna Kennedy (solo) vs. UMKC
 Feb. 19..... Abby Knight (solo) vs. No. 23/21 Arizona State
 Feb. 19..... Bella Wilkerson (solo) vs. No. 23/21 Arizona State
 Feb. 20..... Abby Knight (2-run) vs. Portland State
 Feb. 20..... Delainey Bryant (2-run) vs. Portland State

MISSOURI VALLEY STANDINGS / CONFERENCE NOTES

Team.....	Overall Record
1. Indiana State	7-2
2. Evansville.....	6-4
3. Drake	3-2
4. Valparaiso.....	5-4
5. Southern Illinois	4-4
6. Bradley	4-5
7. Loyola.....	2-3
8. UNI	2-3
9. Missouri State	2-8
10. Illinois State	1-8

MVC Player of the Week: Jenny Jansen (Southern Illinois) | Gr. | OF/IF | Warrenton, Mo.

MVC Pitcher of the Week: Easton Seib (Valparaiso) | Jr. | P | Blue Springs, Mo.

MVC Newcomer of the Week: **Abby Knight (Illinois State) | Fr. | UT | Bloomington, Ill.**

True freshman **Abby Knight** played in four of five games, making three starts as the designated player, for the Redbirds at the Littlewood Classic in Tempe, Arizona. Knight recorded an RBI in all four games she saw action in. Against Minnesota, a team receiving votes in the top 25 polls, Knight was 2-for-4 with an RBI. The next game, against No.23/21 Arizona State, she smashed her first career home run to break up the Sun Devils no-hitter and put the Redbirds on the board in the fifth inning. In the final game of the weekend against Portland State, Knight was 1-for-1 with another blast, two runs scored, three RBI, a walk and a sacrifice fly. She only struck out once over the course of the weekend. Her average across the four games was .500 with 1.250 slugging.



MEET THE 'BIRDS

#1 - Dayna Kennedy

C/UT | R/R | 5-11 | JR. | DECATUR, ILL. | MT. ZION HS

YEAR	AVG.	GP	GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	OB%	SF	SH	SB	PO	A	E	F%
2020	.229	20	17	48	3	11	4	1	0	1	.354	7	2	18	.351	0	0	0	65	3	2	.971
2021	.179	40	40	106	17	19	2	1	4	20	.330	19	3	26	.313	3	2	5	283	11	2	.993
2022	.111	6	6	18	1	2	0	0	1	1	.278	1	0	4	.158	0	0	0	18	2	1	.952
Total	.186	66	63	172	21	32	6	2	5	22	.331	27	5	48	.309	3	2	5	366	16	55	.987

#2 - Rebecca Moffett

OF/UT | R/R | 5-6 | 5TH YR | HERRIN, ILL. | HERRIN HS

YEAR	AVG.	GP	GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	OB%	SF	SH	SB	PO	A	E	F%
2020	.138	12	12	29	3	14	1	0	0	1	.172	2	1	12	.219	0	1	1	14	28	6	.875
2021	.167	28	13	36	14	6	1	0	0	0	.194	2	2	12	.250	0	3	4	8	2	0	1.000
2022	.150	8	7	20	1	3	1	0	0	1	.200	2	0	5	.227	0	0	2	11	0	1	.917
Total	.153	48	32	85	18	13	3	0	0	2	.188	6	3	29	.234	0	4	7	33	30	7	.900

#3 - Hanna Hicks

UT | R/R | 5-10 | SO. | MAPLETON, ILL. | ILLINI BLUFFS HS

YEAR	AVG.	GP	GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	OB%	SF	SH	SB	PO	A	E	F%
2021	.000	6	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	1	0	2	.167	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000
2022	.000	7	3	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	1	1	5	.200	0	0	0	13	1	0	1.000
Total	.000	13	3	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	2	1	7	.188	0	0	0	13	1	0	1.000

#4 - Michele Calabrese

OF | R/R | 5-7 | SR. | NAPERVILLE, ILL. | WAUBONSIE VALLEY HS

YEAR	AVG.	GP	GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	OB%	SF	SH	SB	PO	A	E	F%
2019	.000	30	5	1	8	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	.000	0	0	2	2	0	2	.500
2020	.000	7	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000
2021	.000	32	20	7	4	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	6	.000	0	1	1	11	1	0	1.000
2022	.143	6	4	7	2	1	0	0	0	1	.143	0	0	4	.143	0	0	0	6	0	0	1.000
Total	.067	75	29	15	16	1	0	0	0	1	.067	0	0	10	.067	0	1	3	19	1	2	.909

#5 - Chloe Jefferson

1B/C | R/R | 5-7 | JR. | KANKAKEE, ILL. | HERSCHER HS

YEAR	AVG.	GP	GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	OB%	SF	SH	SB	PO	A	E	F%
2020	.000	11	2	14	1	0	0	0	0	1	.000	2	0	5	.125	0	0	0	19	1	0	1.000
2021	.219	25	6	32	2	7	1	0	0	3	.250	3	0	11	.278	1	0	0	0	0	0	.000
2022	.130	8	7	23	1	3	0	0	0	2	.130	0	0	7	.130	0	0	0	36	1	0	1.000
Total	.145	44	15	69	4	10	1	0	0	6	.159	5	0	23	.200	1	0	0	55	2	0	1.000

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#6 - Emma Hicks

UT | R/R | 5-10 | FR. | MAPLETON, ILL. | ILLINI BLUFFS HS

YEAR	ERA	W	L	APP	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	BF	BAVG	WP	HBP	BK	SFA	SHA
2022	31.50	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1.1	5	6	6	2	1	2	0	1	10	.625	0	0	0	0	0
Total	31.50	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1.1	5	6	6	2	1	2	0	1	10	.625	0	0	0	0	0

#8 - Kaili Chval

OF | L/R | 5-8 | JR. | AURORA, ILL. | OSWEGO EAST HS

YEAR	AVG.	GP	GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	OB%	SF	SH	SB	PO	A	E	F%
2020	.262	22	21	61	11	16	0	0	0	5	.262	6	2	20	.348	0	3	0	21	3	2	.923
2021	.336	41	41	116	22	39	5	1	0	17	.397	23	6	20	.459	3	3	4	45	1	4	.920
2022	.167	7	6	18	3	3	0	0	0	0	.167	1	0	8	.211	0	0	0	4	0	1	.800
Total	.297	70	68	195	36	58	5	1	0	22	.333	30	8	48	.407	3	6	4	70	4	7	.914

#10 - Brandi LaFontaine

OF/UT | R/R | 5-10 | JR. | EAST MOLINE, ILL. | UNITED TOWNSHIP HS

YEAR	AVG.	GP	GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	OB%	SF	SH	SB	PO	A	E	F%
2020	.000	3	2	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	3	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000
2021	.250	16	0	12	1	3	1	0	1	1	.583	5	0	2	.471	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000
2022	.000	6	4	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	1	0	6	.083	0	0	0	4	0	0	1.000
Total	.103	25	6	29	1	3	1	0	1	1	.241	6	0	11	.257	0	0	0	4	0	0	1.000

#11 - Addison Masching

UT | L/R | 5-7 | FR. | PONTIAC, ILL. | PONTIAC TOWNSHIP HS

YEAR	AVG.	GP	GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	OB%	SF	SH	SB	PO	A	E	F%
2022	.350	8	7	20	4	7	2	1	0	0	.550	5	0	6	.480	0	0	0	4	8	0	1.000
Total	.350	8	7	20	4	7	2	1	0	0	.550	5	0	6	.480	0	0	0	4	8	0	1.000

#12 - Delainey Bryant

UT | R/R | 5-8 | FR. | MATTOON, ILL. | MATTOON HS

YEAR	AVG.	GP	GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	OB%	SF	SH	SB	PO	A	E	F%
2022	.294	9	5	17	3	5	1	2	1	4	.765	0	0	4	.294	0	0	0	7	11	1	.947
Total	.294	9	5	17	3	5	1	2	1	4	.765	0	0	4	.294	0	0	0	7	11	1	.947

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#14 - Madi Bylak

SS/UT | R/R | 5-8 | SO. | MANTENO, ILL. | BISHOP MCNAMARA HS

YEAR	AVG.	GP	GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	OB%	SF	SH	SB	PO	A	E	F%
2021	.209	40	40	91	15	19	4	1	0	9	.275	9	3	21	.295	2	8	4	35	64	10	.908
2022	.111	6	4	9	0	1	0	0	0	0	.111	0	0	3	.111	0	1	0	3	11	0	1.000
Total	.200	46	44	100	15	20	4	1	0	9	.260	9	3	24	.281	2	9	4	38	75	10	.919

#15 - Emme Olson

2B/UT | L/R | 5-7 | SR. | HARTSBURG, ILL. | HARTSBURG-EMDEN & OLYMPIA HS

YEAR	AVG.	GP	GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	OB%	SF	SH	SB	PO	A	E	F%
2019	.289	51	51	142	20	41	10	2	6	25	.496	25	3	30	.395	1	4	1	79	97	13	.929
2020	.329	23	23	79	10	26	8	2	3	21	.595	5	0	13	.369	0	1	0	35	34	3	.958
2021	.318	41	41	129	22	41	8	1	4	28	.488	14	3	15	.392	2	0	4	65	52	9	.929
2022	.385	9	9	26	1	10	2	0	0	3	.462	2	1	3	.448	0	0	0	20	17	2	.949
Total	.313	124	124	376	53	118	28	5	13	77	.518	46	7	61	.395	3	5	5	199	200	27	.936

#17 - Bella Wilkerson

C/1B | R/R | 6-1 | FR. | MOKENA, ILL. | LINCOLN-WAY CENTRAL HS

YEAR	AVG.	GP	GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	OB%	SF	SH	SB	PO	A	E	F%
2022	.357	6	4	14	1	5	1	0	1	1	.643	0	0	3	.357	0	0	0	16	1	1	.944
Total	.357	6	4	14	1	5	1	0	1	1	.643	0	0	3	.357	0	0	0	16	1	1	.944

#18 - Reili Gardner

OF | L/R | 5-6 | SO. | ELGIN, ILL. | BURLINGTON CENTRAL HS

YEAR	AVG.	GP	GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	OB%	SF	SH	SB	PO	A	E	F%
2021	.233	39	38	86	20	20	4	1	1	10	.337	5	0	32	.272	1	3	3	36	1	2	.949
2022	.417	9	8	24	4	10	1	0	0	5	.458	0	0	5	.417	0	1	0	13	0	0	1.000
Total	.273	48	46	110	24	30	5	1	1	15	.364	5	0	37	.302	1	4	3	49	1	2	.962

#20 - Amanda Fox

P | L/L | 5-10 | JR. | SAUNEMIN, ILL. | PONTIAC TOWNSHIP HS

YEAR	ERA	W	L	APP	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	BF	BAVG	WP	HBP	BK	SFA	SHA
2020	7.74	1	3	7	3	0	0	0	12.2	18	16	14	5	8	2	0	2	66	.316	2	2	0	2	0
2021	0.00	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0.2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	.500	0	0	0	0	0
2022	3.68	1	3	8	5	0	0	0	32.1	36	21	17	14	22	7	1	5	147	.288	1	1	0	3	4
Total	4.75	2	6	16	8	0	0	0	45.2	55	37	31	19	30	9	1	7	215	.299	3	3	0	5	4

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#22 - Kenzie Pence

OF | L/R | 5-8 | SR. | ST. JOSEPH, ILL. | ST. JOSEPH-OGDEN HS

YEAR	AVG.	GP	GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	OB%	SF	SH	SB	PO	A	E	F%
2019	.200	18	5	15	3	3	0	0	0	0	.200	1	0	5	.250	0	1	0	5	0	2	.714
2020	.000	13	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	1	0	1.000
Total	.200	31	5	15	8	3	0	0	0	0	.200	1	0	5	.250	0	1	0	5	1	2	.750

#23 - Jayden Standish

3B/UT | R/R | 5-7 | SO. | LEXINGTON, ILL. | LEXINGTON HS

YEAR	AVG.	GP	GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	OB%	SF	SH	SB	PO	A	E	F%
2021	.271	33	29	85	11	23	5	2	5	17	.553	10	1	31	.354	0	2	0	31	48	2	.975
2022	.000	5	3	12	1	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	7	.000	0	0	0	1	3	1	.800
Total	.237	38	32	97	12	23	5	2	5	17	.485	10	1	38	.315	0	2	0	32	51	3	.965

#25 - Annie Volkers

P | L/L | 5-6 | FR. | ELK RIVER, MINN. | ELK RIVER HS

YEAR	ERA	W	L	APP	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	BF	BAVG	WP	HBP	BK	SFA	SHA
2022	99.00	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0.0	0	1	1	4	0	0	0	4	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	99.00	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	4	0	0	0	4	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0

#27 - Hannah Ross

P | R/R | 5-8 | JR. | SCOTTSDALE, ARIZ. | CHAPARRAL HS

YEAR	ERA	W	L	APP	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	BF	BAVG	WP	HBP	BK	SFA	SHA
2020	4.00	1	1	6	1	0	0	0	14.0	17	9	8	3	7	3	0	2	61	.309	2	1	0	1	1
2021	3.82	1	0	3	1	0	0	0	7.1	9	6	4	4	5	0	0	0	36	.281	1	0	0	0	0
2022	5.78	0	4	9	3	0	0	0	23.0	29	22	19	13	9	6	2	1	117	.284	6	2	0	0	0
Total	4.90	2	5	18	5	0	0	0	44.1	55	37	31	20	21	9	2	3	214	.291	9	3	0	1	1

#44 - Abby Knight

UT | L/R | 5-9 | FR. | BLOOMINGTON, ILL. | UNIVERSITY HS

YEAR	AVG.	GP	GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	OB%	SF	SH	SB	PO	A	E	F%
2022	.364	6	4	11	3	4	0	0	2	6	.909	1	1	4	.429	1	0	0	10	0	0	1.000
Total	.364	6	4	11	3	4	0	0	2	6	.909	1	1	4	.429	1	0	0	10	0	0	1.000

HAVE NOT MADE AN APPEARANCE FOR ILLINOIS STATE

#13 - Allison Tillema

P | R/R | 5-9 | SO. | HORICON, WIS. | HORICON HS

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2022 (6 G).....#1 Dayna KennedyCareer (66 G)
 4, 2x, last 2/19 vs. Minnesota.....At-bats.....4, 10x, last 2/19/22 vs. Minnesota
 1, 2/12 vs. UMKC.....Hits.....2, 4x, last 3/20/21 at Indiana St.
 1, 2/12 vs. UMKC.....Runs.....2, 3/20/21 at Indiana St.
 1, 2/12 vs. UMKC.....RBIs.....5, 3/20/21 at Indiana St.
 n/a.....Steals.....1, 5x, last 4/25/21 at Evansville
 1, 2/11 vs. Florida.....Walks...3, 2/16/20 vs. Detroit Mercy
 1, 5x, last 2/19 vs. Minnesota.....Strikeouts.....2, 8x, last 4/28/21 at Bradley
 n/a.....Doubles.....1, 6x, last 3/28/21 vs. Loyola
 1, 2/12 vs. UMKC.....Home Runs.....1, 5x, last 2/12/22 vs. UMKC

2022 (8 G).....#2 Rebecca Moffett.....Career (48 G)
 3, 5x, last 2/19 vs. UTEP.....At-bats.....4, 2x, last 3/7/21 vs. Coastal
 2, 2/18 vs. Cal.....Hits.....2, 2x, last 2/18/22 vs. Cal
 1, 2/10 at USF.....Runs.....2, 3x, last 4/3/21 at Drake
 1, 2/18 vs. Cal.....RBIs.....1, 2x, last 2/18/22 vs. Cal
 1, 2x, last 2/20 vs. Portland St.....Steals...1, 7x, last 2/20/22 vs. Portland St.
 1, 2x, last 2/20 vs. Portland St.....Walks.....2, 2/29/20 vs. Austin Peay
 2, 2/11 vs. Michigan.....Strikeouts.....3, 3/6/21 vs. Pitt
 1, 2/18 vs. Cal.....Doubles.....1, 3x, last 2/18/22 vs. Cal
 n/a.....Home Runs.....n/a

2022 (7 G).....#3 Hanna Hicks.....Career (13 G)
 2, 2x, last 2/19 at Arizona St.....At-bats.....2, 2x, last 2/19/22 at Arizona St.
 n/a.....Hits.....n/a
 n/a.....Runs.....n/a
 n/a.....RBIs.....n/a
 n/a.....Steals.....n/a
 1, 2/18 vs. Cal.....Walks.....1, 2x, last 2/18/22 vs. Cal
 1, 5x, last 2/19 at Arizona St.....Strikeouts.....1, 7x, last 2/19/22 at Arizona St.
 n/a.....Doubles.....n/a
 n/a.....Home Runs.....n/a

2022 (6 G).....#4 Michele Calabrese.....Career (75 G)
 3, 2/18 vs. UTEP.....At-bats.....3, 2/18/22 vs. UTEP
 1, 2/18 vs. UTEP.....Hits.....1, 2/18/22 vs. UTEP
 1, 2x, 2/18 vs. UTEP.....Runs.....1, 16x, last 2/18/22 vs. UTEP
 1, 2/18 vs. UTEP.....RBIs.....1, 2/18/22 vs. UTEP
 n/a.....Steals.....1, 3x, last 3/21/21 at Indiana St.
 n/a.....Walks.....n/a
 2, 2/10 at USF.....Strikeouts.....2, 3x, last 2/10/22 at USF
 n/a.....Doubles.....n/a
 n/a.....Home Runs.....n/a

2022 (8 G).....#5 Chloe JeffersonCareer (44 G)
 4, 2x, last 2/19 vs. Minnesota.....At-bats.....4, 2x, last 2/19/22 vs. Minnesota
 2, 2/10 at USF.....Hits.....2, 3x, last 2/10/22 at USF
 1, 2/18 vs. UTEP.....Runs.....1, 4x, last 2/18/22 vs. UTEP
 2, 2/10 at USF.....RBIs.....2, 2/10/22 at USF
 n/a.....Steals.....n/a
 n/a.....Walks.....1, 5x, last 4/25/21 at Evansville
 2, 2x, last 2/19 vs. Minnesota.....Strikeouts.....2, 3x, 2/19/22 vs. Minnesota
 n/a.....Doubles.....1, 3/28/21 vs. Loyola
 n/a.....Home Runs.....n/a

2022 (7 G).....#8 Kaili ChvalCareer (70 G)
 4, 2x, last 2/19 vs. Minnesota.....At-bats.....5, 3x, last 4/3/21 at Drake
 2, 2/12 vs. UMKC.....Hits.....3, 4x, last 4/17/21 vs. SIU
 2, 2/12 vs. UMKC.....Runs.....2, 5x, last 2/12/22 vs. UMKC
 n/a.....RBIs.....3, 4/3/21 at Drake
 n/a.....Steals.....1, 4x, last 5/14/21 vs. SIU
 1, 2/10 at USF.....Walks.....3, 5/14/21 vs. SIU
 2, 3x, last 2/19 vs. Minnesota.....Strikeouts.....2, 13x, last 2/19/22 vs. Minnesota
 n/a.....Doubles.....1, 5x, last 4/25/21 at Evansville
 n/a.....Home Runs.....n/a

2022 (4 G).....#10 Brandi LaFontaine.....Career (23 G)
 3, 2/10 at USF.....At-bats.....3, 2x, 2/10/22 at USF
 n/a.....Hits.....1, 3x, last 5/14/21 vs. SIU
 n/a.....Runs.....1, 4/13/21 vs. DePaul
 n/a.....RBIs.....1, 4/13/21 vs. DePaul
 n/a.....Steals.....n/a
 1, 2/11 vs. Florida.....Walks...1, 6x, last 2/11/22 vs. Florida
 2, 2x, last vs. Arizona St.....Strikeouts.....2, 4x, 2/19/22 vs. Arizona St.
 n/a.....Doubles.....1, 5/14/21 vs. SIU
 n/a.....Home Runs.....1, 4/13/21 vs. DePaul

2022 (8 G).....#11 Addison MaschingCareer (8 G)
 4, 2/18/22 vs. Cal.....At-bats.....4, 2/18/22 vs. Cal
 2, 2x, last 2/18 vs. UTEP.....Hits.....2, 2x, 2/18/22 vs. UTEP
 2, 2/19 vs. Minnesota.....Runs.....2, 2/19/22 vs. Minnesota
 n/a.....RBIs.....n/a
 n/a.....Steals.....n/a
 2, 2/19 vs. Minnesota.....Walks.....2, 2/19/22 vs. Minnesota
 2, 2/11/22 vs. Michigan.....Strikeouts.....2, 2/11/22 vs. Michigan
 2, 2/12/22 vs. UMKC.....Doubles.....2, 2/12/22 vs. UMKC
 n/a.....Home Runs.....n/a

2022 (4 G).....#12 Delainey Bryant.....Career (4 G)
 3, 2x, last 2/18 vs. Cal.....At-bats.....3, 2x, last 2/18/22 vs. Cal
 2, 2/12 vs. UMKC.....Hits.....2, 2/12/22 vs. UMKC
 1, 2/12 vs. UMKC.....Runs.....1, 2/12/22 vs. UMKC
 n/a.....RBIs.....n/a
 n/a.....Steals.....n/a
 n/a.....Walks.....n/a
 1, 4x, last 2/18 vs. Cal.....Strikeouts.....1, 4x, last 2/18/22 vs. Cal
 1, 2/12 vs. UMKC.....Doubles.....1, 2/12/22 vs. UMKC
 n/a.....Home Runs.....n/a

2022 (6 G).....#14 Madi Bylak.....Career (46 G)
 3, 2x, last 2/19 vs. Minnesota.....At-bats.....4, 2x, last 3/7/21 vs. Coastal
 1, 2/18 vs. UTEP.....Hits.....3, 3/7/21 vs. Coastal
 n/a.....Runs.....2, 3x, last 5/7/21 at Valpo
 n/a.....RBIs.....3, 4/22/21 vs. Bradley
 n/a.....Steals.....1, 4x, last 4/25/21 at Evansville
 n/a.....Walks.....2, 4/27/21 at Bradley
 2, 2/11 vs. Michigan.....Strikeouts.....2, 5x, last 2/11/22 vs. Michigan
 n/a.....Doubles.....2, 3/7/21 vs. Coastal
 n/a.....Home Runs.....n/a

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2022 (9 G).....#15 Emme OlsonCareer (124 G)
 4, 3x, last 2/19 vs. Minnesota.....At-bats.....5, 5x, last 4/3/21 at Drake
 3, 2/19 vs. Minnesota.....Hits.....4, 2/21/20 vs. Hofstra
 1, 2/19 vs. Minnesota.....Runs.....4, 3/17/19 at Evansville
 1, 3x, 2/19 vs. Minnesota.....RBIs.....5, 2/16/20 vs. Detroit Mercy
 n/a.....Steals.....1, 5x, last 5/7/21 at Valpo
 1, 2x, last 2/18 vs. Cal.....Walks.....3, 3/16/19 at Evansville
 1, 3x, last 2/20 vs. Portland St.Strikeouts.....3, 2x, last 3/21/21 at Indiana St.
 1, 2x, last 2/19 vs. Minnesota.....Doubles.....2, 2x, last 2/8/20 vs. Ga. State
 n/a.....Home Runs.....2, 2/16/19 vs. Utah St.

2022 (6 G).....#17 Bella WilkersonCareer (6 G)
 4, 2/12 vs. UMKC.....At-bats.....4, 2/12/22 vs. UMKC
 2, 2/18 vs. UTEP.....Hits.....2, 2/18/22 vs. UTEP
 1, 2/19 at Arizona St.....Runs.....1, 2/19/22 at Arizona St.
 1, 2/19 at Arizona St.....RBIs.....1, 2/19/22 at Arizona St.
 n/a.....Steals.....n/a
 n/a.....Walks.....n/a
 1, 2x, last 2/11 vs. Florida.....Strikeouts.....1, 2x, last 2/11/22 vs. Florida
 1, 2/18 vs. UTEP.....Doubles.....1, 2/18/22 vs. UTEP
 1, 2/19 at Arizona St.....Home Runs.....1, 2/19/22 at Arizona St.

2022 (9 G).....#18 Reili Gardner.....Career (48 G)
 4, 2/19 vs. Minnesota.....At-bats.....4, 4x, last 2/19/22 vs. Minnesota
 2, 4x, last 2/20 vs. Portland St.....Hits.....3, 3/7/21 vs. Coastal
 2, 2/20 vs. Portland St.....Runs.....2, 5x, last 2/20/22 vs. Portland St.
 3, 2/12 vs. UMKC.....RBIs.....3, 2/12/22 vs. UMKC
 n/a.....Steals.....1, 3x, last 4/22/21 vs. Bradley
 n/a.....Walks.....2, 4/22/21 vs. Bradley
 1, 5x, last 2/20 vs. Portland St.....Strikeouts.....3, 2x, last 5/14/21 vs. SIU
 1, 2/12 vs. UMKC.....Doubles.....1, 5x, last 2/12/22 vs. UMKC
 n/a.....Home Runs.....1, 4/25/21 at Evansville

2022 (8 G).....#20 Amanda Fox*Career (16 G)
 6.1 IP, 2/19 vs. Minnesota.....Innings.....6.1 IP, 2/19/22 vs. Minnesota
 8, 2/20 vs. Portland St.....Hits (most).....8, 2/20/22 vs. Portland St.
 0, 2/11 vs. Florida.....Hits (fewest).....0, 2/11/22 vs. Florida
 4, 2x, last 2/19 vs. Minnesota.....ER (most).....5, 3/8/20 at LSU
 0, 2/11 vs. Florida.....ER (fewest).....0, 3x, last 2/11/22 vs. Florida
 4, 2/20 vs. Portland St.....Walks.....4, 2/20/22 vs. Portland St.
 6, 2/12 vs. UMKC.....Strikeouts.....6, 2/12/22 vs. UMKC
 1, 2/20 vs. Portland St.....HBP.....1, 3x, last 2/20/22 vs. Portland St.
 1.1 IP, 2/11 vs. Florida.....Most scoreless IP... 3.1 IP, 2/16/20 vs. Detroit Mercy

* Numbers based on at least 1 inning of work

2022 (0 G).....#22 Kenzie Pence.....Career (31 G)
 n/a.....At-bats.....2, 3x, last 3/9/19 vs. LIU
 n/a.....Hits.....1, 3x, last 3/9/19 vs. Purdue
 n/a.....Runs.....1, 8x, last 3/7/20 vs. Campbell
 n/a.....RBIs.....n/a
 n/a.....Steals.....n/a
 n/a.....Walks.....1, 2/23/19 at Florida
 n/a.....Strikeouts.....1, 5x, last 3/1/19 vs. USC Upstate
 n/a.....Doubles.....n/a
 n/a.....Home Runs.....n/a

2022 (5 G).....#23 Jayden Standish.....Career (38 G)
 4, 2/18 vs. UTEP.....At-bats.....4, 4x, last 2/18/22 vs. UTEP
 n/a.....Hits.....3, 5/1/21 vs. UNI
 1, 2/10 at USF.....Runs.....2, 2x, last 5/1/21 vs. UNI
 n/a.....RBIs.....5, 3/7 vs. Coastal
 n/a.....Steals.....n/a
 n/a.....Walks.....2, 2x, last 5/7/21 at Valpo
 3, 2/10 at USF.....Strikeouts.....3, 2/10/22 at USF
 n/a.....Doubles.....2, 5/1/21 vs. UNI
 n/a.....Home Runs.....1, 5x, last 4/25/21 at Evansville

2022 (9 G).....#27 Hannah Ross*Career (18 G)
 5.2 IP, 2/11 vs. Florida.....Innings.....5.2 IP, 2/11/22 vs. Florida
 7, 2/19 vs. Arizona St.....Hits (most).....7, 2/19/22 vs. Arizona St.
 0, 2x, last 2/20 vs. Portland St.....Hits (fewest).....0, 3x, last 2/20/22 vs. Portland St.
 5, 2/10 at USF.....ER (most).....5, 2/10/22 at USF
 0, 2x, last 2/20 vs. Portland St.....ER (fewest).....0, 4x, last 2/20/22 vs. Portland St.
 4, 2/11 vs. Florida.....Walks.....4, 2/11/22 vs. Florida
 3, 2x, last 2/11 vs. Florida.....Strikeouts.....3, 3x, last 2/11/22 vs. Florida
 1, 2x, last 2/19 vs. Arizona St.....HBP.....1, 3x, last 2/19/22 vs. Arizona St.
 2.0 IP, 2/20 vs. Portland St.....Most scoreless IP.....2.0 IP, 2/20/22 vs. Portland St.

* Numbers based on at least 1 inning of work

2022 (6 G).....#44 Abby Knight.....Career (6 G)
 4, 2/19 vs. Minnesota.....At-bats.....4, 2/19/22 vs. Minnesota
 2, 2/19 vs. Minnesota.....Hits.....2, 2/19/22 vs. Minnesota
 2, 2/20 vs. Portland St.....Runs.....2, 2/20/22 vs. Portland St.
 3, 2/20 vs. Portland St.....RBIs.....3, 2/20/22 vs. Portland St.
 n/a.....Steals.....n/a
 1, 2/20 vs. Portland St.....Walks.....1, 2/20/22 vs. Portland St.
 2, 2/11 vs. Michigan.....Strikeouts.....2, 2/11/22 vs. Michigan
 n/a.....Doubles.....n/a
 1, 2x, last 2/20 vs. Portland St.....Home Runs.....1, 2x, last 2/20/22 vs. Portland St.

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1 - DAYNA KENNEDY

Jr. | C/UT | 5-11 | R/R
Decatur, Ill. | Mt. Zion HS



2 - REBECCA MOFFETT

Sr. | OF/UT | 5-6 | R/R
Herrin, Ill. | John A. Logan CC



3 - HANNA HICKS

So. | UT | 5-10 | R/R
Mapleton, Ill. | Illini Bluffs HS



4 - MICHELE CALABRESE

Sr. | OF | 5-7 | R/R
Naperville, Ill. | Waubonsie Valley HS



5 - CHLOE JEFFERSON

Jr. | 1B/C | 5-7 | R/R
Kankakee, Ill. | Herscher HS



6 - EMMA HICKS

Fr. | UT | 5-10 | R/R
Mapleton, Ill. | Illini Bluffs HS



8 - KAILI CHVAL

Jr. | OF | 5-8 | L/R
Aurora, Ill. | Oswego East HS



10 - BRANDI LAFONTAINE

Jr. | OF/UT | 5-10 | R/R
East Moline, Ill. | United Township



11 - ADDISON MASCHING

Fr. | UT | 5-7 | L/R
Pontiac, Ill. | Pontiac Township



12 - DELAINEY BRYANT

Fr. | UT | 5-8 | R/R
Mattoon, Ill. | Mattoon HS



13 - ALLISON TILLEMA

So. | P | 5-9 | R/R
Horicon, Wis. | Horicon HS



14 - MADI BYLAK

So. | SS/UT | 5-8 | R/R
Manteno, Ill. | Bishop McNamara



15 - EMMERSON OLSON

Sr. | 2B/UT | 5-7 | L/R
Hartsburg, Ill. | Hartsburg-Emden



17 - BELLA WILKERSON

Fr. | C/1B | 6-1 | R/R
Mokena, Ill. | Lincoln-Way Central



18 - REILI GARDNER

So. | OF | 5-6 | L/R
Elgin, Ill. | Burlington Central



20 - AMANDA FOX

Jr. | P | 5-10 | L/L
Saunemin, Ill. | Pontiac Township



22 - KENZIE PENCE

Sr. | OF | 5-8 | L/R
St. Joseph, Ill. | St. Joseph-Ogden



23 - JAYDEN STANDISH

So. | 3B/UT | 5-7 | R/R
Lexington, Ill. | Lexington HS



25 - ANNIE VOLKENS

Fr. | P | 5-6 | L/L
Elk River, Minn. | Elk River HS



27 - HANNAH ROSS

Jr. | P | 5-8 | R/R
Scottsdale, Ariz. | Chaparral



44 - ABBY KNIGHT

Fr. | UT | 5-9 | L/R
Bloomington, Ill. | University HS



MELINDA FISCHER

HEAD COACH
Illinois State ('72)
37th Season



TINA KRAMOS

ASSOCIATE HEAD COACH
Missouri State ('95)
22nd Season



ELAINE HEFFLIN

ASSISTANT COACH
UIC ('17)
1st Season