



OFFICIAL GAME PROGRAM

GAMEDAY

MARIAN UNIVERSITY SOFTBALL



SABRES OPEN WEEKEND WITH AURORA



AURORA UNIVERSITY SPARTANS

AT

MARIAN UNIVERSITY SABRES



14-10
6-4 NACC

SATURDAY, APRIL 18
SMITH FIELD • NOON

11-9
8-2 NACC

2026 SCHEDULE/RESULTS

MARCH

| | | | |
|----|-------------------------------|---|----------|
| 1 | ILLINOIS COLLEGE [^] | L | 8-3 |
| | LEBANON VALLEY [^] | L | 5-3 |
| 2 | NEUMANN [^] | W | 5-4 |
| | ST. JOHN FISHER [^] | L | 6-4 |
| 3 | JOHN JAY [^] | L | 16-5 (6) |
| | ALMA [^] | L | 5-1 |
| 5 | ADRIAN [^] | W | 8-6 |
| | WENTWORTH [^] | W | 7-0 |
| 6 | GORDON [^] | L | 4-2 |
| | HUSSON [^] | L | 2-0 |
| 21 | ALVERNO* [@] | W | 17-5 (5) |
| | | W | 13-0 (5) |
| 29 | MSOE* | W | 2-1 |
| | | W | 3-1 |

APRIL

| | | | |
|----|---------------------------------------|-----------|---------|
| 9 | ROCKFORD* | W | 7-0 |
| | | L | 3-1 |
| 11 | CONCORDIA CHICAGO* | L | 8-0 (5) |
| | | W | 5-2 |
| 15 | RIPON | POSTPONED | |
| 16 | CONCORDIA WISCONSIN* ^{&} | W | 9-7 |
| | | W | 4-3 |
| 18 | AURORA* | NOON | |
| 19 | DOMINICAN* | NOON | |
| 21 | EDGEWOOD* | 3 PM | |
| 22 | UW-OSHKOSH | 3 PM | |
| 25 | BENEDICTINE* | NOON | |
| 26 | WISCONSIN LUTHERAN* | NOON | |
| 29 | LAWRENCE | 5 PM | |

MAY

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|---|--------------|------|
| 1 | ST. NORBERT* | 3 PM |
| 2 | LAKELAND* | NOON |

HOME GAME | NACC DH*

THE SPRING GAMES[^] | OAK CREEK, WIS.[@]

MARIAN HOME TEAM[&]

GAME NOTES

FIRST PITCH:

Marian University softball opens a weekend of NACC action hosting Aurora Saturday, April 18 at noon.

DON'T SLEEP ON SCHLIEPP:

Senior Ariana Schliepp continues to impress at the plate ranking ninth in the NACC for batting average and 10th in the conference for slugging percentage. In the opener against CUW, Schliepp went 3-for-4 with four runs driven in.

CAN'T STOP KNUTH:

Junior Savanna Knuth is enjoying a breakout season and leads the Sabre pitching staff in earned run average. At the plate, she most recently hit a game-winning grand slam in game two of the CUW sweep.

SCOUTING THE SPARTANS:

Aurora opens its weekend after splitting doubleheaders against MSOE and Dominican last weekend. The Spartans rank second in the NACC for slugging percentage and third for home runs. Junior Lily Komperda has hit the second-most home runs in the NACC this season and ranks third for runs driven in.

ALL-TIME SERIES:

Marian enters on a three-game winning streak against the Spartans dating back to an elimination game of the 2024 NACC Tournament. These two squads met at Smith Field last season with Marian earning wins of 8-0 in six innings and 4-0.

UP NEXT:

Marian hits the road for Dominican tomorrow, Sunday, April 19, for a noon doubleheader.



TEAM LEADERS



| | | | |
|--------------------------|----------------|--------------------------|-----------------|
| Batting Average | Delgado (.461) | Batting Average | Schliepp (.446) |
| On-Base Percentage | Delgado (.494) | On-Base Percentage | Schliepp (.462) |
| Runs Batted In..... | Komperda (35) | Runs Batted In..... | Schliepp (22) |
| Stolen Bases | Rivera (8) | Stolen Bases | Matta (4) |
| Innings Pitched..... | Rivera (74.2) | Innings Pitched..... | Di Vito (47.2) |
| Earned Run Average | Rivera (4.31) | Earned Run Average | Knuth (2.26) |
| Strikeouts..... | Rivera (46) | Strikeouts..... | Di Vito (26) |



MARIAN UNIVERSITY SABRES

| # | Name | Pos. | B/T | Ht. | Cl. | Hometown | High School |
|----|--------------------------|---------|-----|------|-----|------------------------|-------------------|
| 1 | Erin Cowe | OF/RHP | L/R | 5-7 | Jr. | Palos Hills, Ill. | Amos Alonzo Stagg |
| 2 | Emily Acosta | INF | R/R | 5-7 | Sr. | Lynwood, Calif. | Downey |
| 3 | Ashleigh Simmons | C/INF | R/R | 5-4 | So. | Schaumburg, Ill. | James B. Contant |
| 4 | Tori Vennemann | OF | R/R | 5-4 | Sr. | St. Paul, Minn. | Hill-Murray |
| 5 | Elizabeth Van Nocker | RHP/OF | R/R | 5-9 | So. | Fond du Lac, Wis. | Fond du Lac |
| 6 | Vienna Wafle | OF | R/R | 5-8 | Jr. | De Pere, Wis. | De Pere |
| 7 | Aubrey Bender | OF/C | R/R | 5-5 | So. | Muscatine, Iowa | Muscatine |
| 8 | Sofia Cerullo | OF | R/R | 5-3 | Sr. | Worth, Ill. | Alan B. Shepard |
| 9 | Macey Pease | INF | R/R | 5-6 | So. | Fort Atkinson, Wis. | Fort Atkinson |
| 10 | Hope Matta | OF | L/R | 5-2 | Sr. | Valparaiso, Ind. | Chesterton |
| 11 | Abigail Schreiber | INF | L/R | 5-2 | Sr. | Clintonville, Wis. | Clintonville |
| 12 | Briley Rosin | INF | R/R | 5-4 | Fr. | Manawa, Wis. | Little Wolf |
| 13 | Morgan Mack | RHP/INF | R/R | 5-9 | Sr. | Deerfield, Wis. | Deerfield |
| 14 | Riley Mankowski | C/INF | R/R | 5-2 | Sr. | Midlothian, Ill. | Chicago Christian |
| 15 | Carissa Heisdorf | UT | R/R | 5-4 | Sr. | Campbellsport, Wis. | Campbellsport |
| 16 | Aubrey Cyr | RHP/OF | R/R | 5-3 | Fr. | Sandwich, Ill. | Sandwich |
| 18 | Delaney Popp | INF | R/R | 5-7 | Fr. | Portage, Wis. | Portage |
| 19 | Kathryn Albright | INF | R/R | 5-2 | Jr. | Madison, Wis. | Edgewood |
| 20 | Ella Pehlke | C/INF | R/R | 5-2 | Fr. | Crest Hill, Ill. | Lockport Township |
| 21 | Emersyn Rasso | INF | S/R | 5-6 | Fr. | Moline, Ill. | Moline |
| 22 | Sabrina Di Vito | RHP/INF | R/R | 5-7 | Jr. | Prospect Heights, Ill. | John Hersey |
| 23 | Mackenzie Christofferson | INF | R/R | 5-8 | Jr. | Lodi, Wis. | Lodi |
| 24 | Joree Tibbs | RHP/INF | R/R | 5-5 | Fr. | Ringwood, Ill. | Johnsburg |
| 27 | Ariana Schliepp | C/INF | R/R | 5-11 | Sr. | Elkhorn, Wis. | Elkhorn Area |
| 33 | Alexa Paulsberg | UT | R/R | 5-7 | Sr. | Lomira, Wis. | Lomira |
| 35 | Savanna Knuth | RHP/INF | R/R | 5-2 | Jr. | Neenah, Wis. | Neenah |
| 36 | McKenna Repovich | RHP/INF | R/R | 5-6 | Jr. | Plainfield, Ill. | Plainfield East |

Head Coach: Tony Draves

Assistant Coaches: Kiwi Moran, Amy Sullivan



AURORA UNIVERSITY SPARTANS

| # | Full Name | Pos. | Ht. | Year | Hometown | High School |
|----|--------------------|-------|------|------|------------------------|------------------------|
| 1 | Aubrey Ortiz | OF | 5-3 | Jr. | Escondido, Calif. | Mission Hills |
| 2 | Viviana Morales | IF | 5-3 | Jr. | Henderson, Nev. | Basic |
| 3 | Tyler Frost | P/IF | 5-7 | Fr. | Overland, Mo. | Ritenour |
| 4 | Lily Komperda | OF | 5-8 | Jr. | Westchester, Ill. | Proviso Academy |
| 5 | Hannah Werthmann | IF | 5-5 | Fr. | Bluegrass, Iowa | Davenport West |
| 7 | Talia Lorenzo | P | 5-5 | Jr. | Melrose Park, Ill. | Fenwick |
| 8 | Dateli Sandoval | C/IF | 5-0 | Fr. | Oak Lawn, Ill. | Richards |
| 9 | Leila Lopez | OF | 5-8 | Fr. | Warner Springs, Calif. | Great Oak |
| 10 | Stephani DeBise | IF | 5-10 | Jr. | Peyton, Colo. | Discovery Canyon |
| 11 | Reese Pozen | OF | 5-9 | Sr. | Wauconda, Ill. | Wauconda |
| 12 | Mia Malczyk | OF | 5-5 | So. | North Aurora, Ill. | West Aurora |
| 13 | Rylee Teel | C/IF | 5-8 | Fr. | Romeoville, Ill. | Romeoville |
| 14 | Tatianna Jackson | IF | 5-4 | Sr. | Hammond, Ind. | Thornton Fractional |
| 15 | Erin Young | IF/OF | 5-4 | Fr. | erie, Colo. | Erie |
| 16 | Sarah McManus | P | 5-4 | Jr. | Dyer, Ind. | Marian Catholic |
| 17 | Gabby Silzer | P | 5-7 | Fr. | Lockport, Ill. | Lockport |
| 18 | Tristin Woods | IF/OF | 5-2 | Fr. | Bourbonnais, Ill. | Bradley-Bourbonnais |
| 19 | Kayla Korey | Util | 5-5 | Sr. | Los Angeles, Calif. | Notre Dame |
| 20 | Mia Rivera | OF/P | 5-1 | Jr. | Highland, Ind. | Highland |
| 21 | Nina Richards | IF | 5-6 | Sr. | Terre Haute, Ind. | Terre Haute North Vigo |
| 22 | Angie Delgado | IF | 5-0 | So. | Palatine, Ill. | Palatine |
| 23 | Julia Gomez | Util. | 5-2 | So. | Riverside, Calif. | Ramona |
| 24 | Carly Clemens | C | 5-3 | So. | Elgin, Ill. | West Chicago |
| 25 | Claire Carmichael | OF | 5-0 | So. | Granger, Ind. | Penn |
| 26 | Sienna Bemmels | P | 5-6 | So. | Belle Plaine, Minn. | Belle Paine |
| 27 | Alyssa Gale | IF | 5-4 | Fr. | Carpentersville, Ill. | Dundee-Crown |
| 28 | Lauren Renzullo | IF | 5-8 | Fr. | Yuba City, Calif. | Yuba City |
| 29 | Emma Way | Util. | 5-9 | Fr. | Gibson, Ill. | Knoxville |
| 30 | Sydney Helgerson | Util. | 5-6 | So. | Cashton, Wis. | Cashton |
| 31 | Maddie Zdanek | IF/OF | 5-9 | Fr. | Frankfort, Ill. | Lincoln-Way East |
| 32 | Madison Myers | IF/OF | 5-6 | So. | Mishawaka, Ind. | Marian |
| 33 | Valerie Horne | P/IF | 5-4 | Fr. | Hannah, Ind. | South Central |
| 34 | Taylor Downs | IF | 5-5 | Fr. | Plano, Ill. | Plano |
| 35 | Hailey Wantz | P | 5-10 | So. | El Segundo, Calif. | El Segundo |
| 40 | Kiele Franco | IF/OF | 5-9 | Fr. | Carson City, Nev. | Carson |
| 41 | Molly Gelino | C/OF | 5-6 | Fr. | Glendora, Calif. | Charter Oak |
| 42 | Kelsey Oviatt | C | 5-0 | So. | Newark, Calif. | Memorial |
| 43 | Haylee Riofski | Util. | 5-2 | Fr. | St. John, Ind. | Minooka |
| 44 | Holly Smith | IF/OF | 5-7 | Fr. | St. Charles, Ill. | St. Charles East |
| 49 | LyAnni Torres | IF/OF | 5-1 | Fr. | Lawndale, Calif. | Mira Costa |
| 50 | Samantha Wiertelak | Util. | 5-7 | Fr. | Aurora, Ill. | Waubonsie Valley |

Head Coach: Mike McKenzie

MARIAN RECORD WHEN

| | |
|------------------------------------|------|
| Overall | 11-9 |
| Conference | 8-2 |
| Home | 3-1 |
| Away | 5-1 |
| Neutral | 3-7 |
| Scoring First | 8-1 |
| Opponent Scores First..... | 3-8 |
| Leading After 3 Innings..... | 7-1 |
| Trailing After 3 Innings..... | 1-7 |
| Tied After 3 Innings..... | 3-1 |
| Leading After 5 Innings..... | 10-0 |
| Trailing After 5 Innings..... | 1-8 |
| Tied After 5 Innings..... | 0-1 |
| Scoring Less Than 5 Runs | 3-8 |
| Scoring 5+ Runs..... | 8-1 |
| Less Than 10 Hits..... | 5-9 |
| 10+ Hits | 6-0 |
| Outhit Opponent | 11-1 |
| Hits Tied/Outhit by Opponent | 0-8 |
| Committing 0-1 Errors | 8-5 |
| Committing Multiple Errors | 3-4 |
| Extra Inning Games..... | 0-0 |
| Saturday | 3-1 |
| Sunday | 2-2 |
| Other..... | 6-6 |

MARIAN UNIVERSITY SOFTBALL HISTORY

- Marian University softball played its first season in 1988 going 9-9 under Cheryl Orcholski.
- The Sabres have won six conference championships, one of which came during the NACC era, and have earned a spot in the NCAA Tournament four times.
- Marian has posted a winning record in 11 seasons during the NACC era.
- The program record for wins in a single season is 28, which was accomplished in 2005 and 2008.

SMITH FIELD FACTS

- Smith Field has been the home of Marian University softball since 2004.
- The dimensions of the field are 220 feet down each line and in center field.
- The playing surface includes dugouts for each team and a bullpen near each foul pole.
- Other amenities at Smith Field include lights for night games, state-of-the-art scoreboard, and a concession stand.
- Bleacher seating is available behind home plate with plenty of grass seating in the outfield.



STANDINGS

| | Conference | | | | Overall | | | | | |
|---------------------|------------|------------|-------------|--------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|--------------|------------|-----------|
| | GP | NACC | Pct. | RS-RA | GP | Overall | Pct. | RS-RA | L10 | Streak |
| Marian | 10 | 8-2 | .800 | 61-30 | 20 | 11-9 | .550 | 99-86 | 8-2 | W3 |
| Dominican | 12 | 9-3 | .750 | 89-43 | 26 | 15-11 | .577 | 145-104 | 9-1 | L1 |
| Concordia Wisconsin | 14 | 9-5 | .643 | 78-49 | 30 | 18-12 | .600 | 152-104 | 5-5 | L3 |
| Lakeland | 8 | 5-3 | .625 | 32-23 | 24 | 13-10-1 | .562 | 125-84 | 3-6-1 | W3 |
| Benedictine | 10 | 6-4 | .600 | 82-53 | 26 | 20-6 | .769 | 206-91 | 8-2 | W1 |
| Aurora | 10 | 6-4 | .600 | 52-56 | 24 | 14-10 | .583 | 146-124 | 7-3 | W1 |
| St. Norbert | 10 | 5-5 | .500 | 84-65 | 26 | 13-13 | .500 | 163-175 | 4-6 | W2 |
| Wisconsin Lutheran | 10 | 5-5 | .500 | 45-50 | 26 | 13-13 | .500 | 136-117 | 6-4 | W2 |
| Edgewood | 8 | 4-4 | .500 | 64-45 | 23 | 11-12 | .478 | 129-115 | 6-4 | L1 |
| Rockford | 16 | 7-9 | .438 | 91-139 | 28 | 13-15 | .464 | 210-192 | 5-5 | W3 |
| Concordia Chicago | 14 | 4-10 | .286 | 75-96 | 26 | 9-17 | .346 | 139-169 | 3-7 | L1 |
| MSOE | 10 | 2-8 | .200 | 27-50 | 24 | 5-19 | .208 | 75-123 | 2-8 | L1 |
| Alverno | 8 | 0-8 | .000 | 40-121 | 20 | 2-18 | .100 | 109-238 | 2-8 | L2 |

PRESEASON POLL

| Rnk | Team..... | Points |
|----------|--------------------------|------------|
| 1 | Concordia Wisconsin | 321 (14) |
| 2 | Benedictine | 306 (8) |
| 3 | Dominican..... | 298 (4) |
| 4 | Aurora | 224 |
| 5 | MSOE | 223 |
| 6 | Concordia Chicago | 219 |
| 7 | Marian | 199 |
| 8 | Lakeland | 177 |
| 9 | Edgewood..... | 116 |
| 10 | St. Norbert | 109 |
| 11 | Rockford | 78 |
| 12 | Wisconsin Lutheran | 70 |
| 13 | Alverno..... | 26 |

SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, APRIL 18

| | | |
|-------------------|-----------|--------------------|
| Dominican | at | Wisconsin Lutheran |
| Benedictine | at | MSOE |
| Aurora | at | Marian |
| Concordia Chicago | at | Edgewood |
| Alverno | at | Lakeland |
| Rockford | at | St. Norbert |

