

# South Dakota State JACKRABBIT ATHLETICS NEWS RELEASE

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#### 2018 BASEBALL INFORMATION

### Jacks continue road trip at Air Force

#### THIS WEEK

### SOUTH DAKOTA STATE (2-8) at AIR FORCE (2-8)

Falcon Field • U.S. Air Force Academy, Colo. 2 p.m. MT Tuesday • 2 p.m. MT Wednesday

#### SDSU PROBABLE STARTERS

- 1B Josh Falk, So., R-R, Minnetonka, Minn. (.313 avg. 3 R, 2 RBI, .436 OBP)
- 2B Gus Steiger, Fr., R-R, Minnetonka, Minn. (.233 avg., 1 HR, 3 RBI, .433 slg. pct.)
- or Skyler Wenninger, Sr., R-R, Luverne, Minn. (.160 avg., 1 2B, 3 R)
- SS Tony Kjolsing, Sr., R-R, Chaska, Minn. (.235 avg., 1 HR, 2 RBI, 5-7 SB, .435 OBP)
- 3B Newt Johnson, Sr., R-R, Rapid City, S.D. (.167 avg., 1 HR, 7 RBI, 6 R)
- C Kolton Michalski, Jr., R-R, Watertown, S.D. (.063 avg. in 6 GS)
- or Derek Hackman, Fr., L-R, Johnston, Iowa (.250 avg., 1 2B in 2 GS)
- LF Nick Smith, Jr., L-R, Chanhassen, Minn. (.200 avg., 2 2B, 1 3B, 4 RBI)
- CF Landon Badger, So., L-L, Pierre, S.D. (.240 avg., 1 2B, 3 RBI, 1-2 SB)
- RF Phil Velez, Sr., R-R, Des Moines, Iowa (.192 avg., 1 2B, 2 RBI)
- or Philip Jacobson, Sr., R-R, Dakota Dunes, S.D. (.182 avg., 1 2B, 2 RBI)
- DH Anthony Schneider, Sr., L-R, Altoona, Iowa (.174 avg., 2 HR, 9 RBI, .522 slg. pct.)

#### **SDSU PROBABLE STARTING PITCHER**

- 1 Korey Kuhlmann, Jr., LHP, Ute, Iowa (0-3, 5.79 ERA, 2 GS, 9.1 IP, 6 K, 0 BB)
- 2 Brett Mogen, So., RHP, Dell Rapids, S.D. (0-1, 6.75 ERA, 5 APP, 0 GS, 6.2 IP, 3 K, 2 BB)



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March 5, 2018

BROOKINGS, S.D. — Fresh off a series win on the second leg of a nine-game, four-city Spring Break road trip, the South Dakota State University baseball team continues action with a two-game series at Air Force Tuesday and Wednesday.

Both games are slated for 2 p.m. Mountain Time (3 p.m. Central) at Falcon Field on the U.S. Air Force Academy campus near Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Live stats will be available through GoAirForceFalcons.com.

SDSU enters the series with a 2-8 overall record. After starting the season with an eight-game losing streak, the Jackrabbits won the final two games of a three-game weekend series at Southeast Missouri State. The Jackrabbits began their road swing with a 1-0 loss Feb. 28 at Minnesota.

Air Force, which will be playing its home opener, also is off to a 2-8 start. The Falcons salvaged the final game of a three-game weekend series at Dallas Baptist, 6-0, behind a combined four-hit shutout.

**THE SERIES:** This week's games between SDSU and Air Force will mark the 15th and 16th meetings in a series that dates back to 1959. Air Force leads the all-time series, 9-5, which started with an 11-9 Falcon victory in the Jackrabbits' 1959 season opener.

The two squads last met for a three-game series April 11-12, 2014, at Erv Huether Field. After splitting 2-1 contests in the first two games of the series, Air Force claimed the decisive game of the series, 4-2, in the back half of a doubleheader.

SDSU last traveled to Air Force for a four-game series in 2010, winning three of four games. The Jackrabbits scored double figures for runs in all four contests, including posting a 23-9 victory in the series finale.

**PRESEASON POLL:** The Jackrabbit baseball team has been picked to finish second in the upcoming Summit League race, according to a poll of league coaches released Feb. 8.

SDSU received 20 points and one first-place vote, finishing behind defending champion Oral Roberts, which received the other five first-place votes and 25 total points. North Dakota State completed the top half of the poll with 17 points.

Rounding out the second half of the poll were Western Illinois (14 points), Omaha (9) and Fort Wayne (5).

The Jackrabbits, who return six position starters, are scheduled to open Summit League play March 16, when they open a three-game series at Oral Roberts. The 2018 Summit League Baseball Championship is slated for May 23-26 in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

In addition, SDSU shortstop Tony Kjolsing was selected as a Summit League Player to Watch. A senior from Chaska, Minnesota, Kjolsing batted .291 with four home runs and 21 runs batted in while playing in 32 games during the 2017 season.

**WEEKEND RECAP:** SDSU put together a successful weekend, winning two of three games in nonconference action at Southeast Missouri State in Cape Girardeau, Missouri.

#### 2018 SCHEDULE

FEBRU	ARY	
17	vs. Austin Peay (at St. Louis, Mo.)	L, 2-4
18	vs. Austin Peay (at Sauget, III.)	L, 3-9
19	vs. Illinois (at St. Louis, Mo.)	L, 2-5
23	vs. Bradley (DH - at Edwardsville, III.)	
25	vs. Bradley (at Edwardsville, III.)	L, 1-5
28		,
ZO MARCI	at Minnesota (at U.S. Bank Stadium)	L, 0-1
MARCI 2	at Southeast Missouri State	L, 8-12
3	at Southeast Missouri State	W, 7-4
4	at Southeast Missouri State	W, 7-4 W, 6-5
6	at Air Force	,
7	at Air Force	2 p.m. MT
-		2 p.m. MT
9	at Northern Colorado	2 p.m. MT
10	at Northern Colorado	2 p.m. MT
11	at Northern Colorado	noon MT
16	*at Oral Roberts	6:30 p.m.
17	*at Oral Roberts	2 p.m.
18	*at Oral Roberts	1 p.m.
20	at Creighton	6:30 p.m.
23	*at Western Illinois	3 p.m.
24	*at Western Illinois	1 p.m.
25	*at Western Illinois	1 p.m.
30	*at Omaha	4 p.m.
31	*at Omaha	2 p.m.
APRIL		
1	*at Omaha	noon
4	DAKOTA WESLEYAN	3 p.m.
6	*FORT WAYNE	3 p.m.
7	*FORT WAYNE	1 p.m.
8	*FORT WAYNE	1 p.m.
11	DAKOTA STATE	3 p.m.
13	*NORTH DAKOTA STATE	3 p.m.
14	*NORTH DAKOTA STATE	1 p.m.
15	*NORTH DAKOTA STATE	1 p.m.
17	at Minnesota (at Siebert Field)	6 p.m.
20	*ORAL ROBERTS	3 p.m.
21	*ORAL ROBERTS	1 p.m.
22	*ORAL ROBERTS	1 p.m.
25	CREIGHTON	3 p.m.
27	*at Fort Wayne	2 p.m. ET
28	*at Fort Wayne	1 p.m. ET
29	*at Fort Wayne	noon ET
MAY		
4	*OMAHA	3 p.m.
5	*OMAHA	1 p.m.
6	*OMAHA	1 p.m.
9	at Wichita State	6 p.m.
11	*WESTERN ILLINOIS	3 p.m.
12	*WESTERN ILLINOIS	1 p.m.
13	*WESTERN ILLINOIS	1 p.m.
17	*at North Dakota State	6:30 p.m.
18	*at North Dakota State	6:30 p.m.
19	*at North Dakota State	1 p.m.
23-26		•
,	(Tulsa, Okla — if qualified)	•
	*Summit League game	

\*Summit League game Home games in CAPS DH denotes doubleheader start times Central Time unless noter

All start times Central Time unless noted otherwise

#### Game 1: Southeast Missouri State 12, SDSU 8

Southeast Missouri State scored three times in the bottom of the seventh inning to break a tie and went on to defeat South Dakota State, 12-8, March 3 at Capaha Field.

SEMO battled back from two other deficits before putting together the decisive rally in the seventh inning. Tied at 8, each of the Redhawks' first two runs of the seventh inning scored on wild pitches, while Devon Wilson capped the frame with a home run to left center.

The Redhawks added a run in the eighth that was aided by a passed ball and another wild pitch for the final margin.

SDSU grabbed a 2-0 first-inning lead in which it knocked out SEMO starter Joey Burris after retiring only two batters. Tony Kjolsing singled with one out and later scored on a groundout off the bat of Newt Johnson. Skyler Wenninger scored the second run of the inning on Josh Falk's double to left field.

SEMO countered with a three-run home run by Wade Stauss in the second inning to take its first lead of the game.

The Jackrabbits tied the game at 3-all on a sacrifice fly by Phil Velez in the third inning, then built a 7-4 lead in the top of the fifth. Falk opened the inning with a single and advanced to third on a double down the left-field line by Josh Kutzke. After a walk to Philip Jacobson loaded the bases and SEMO made another pitching change, SDSU head coach Rob Bishop went to his bench for Anthony Schneider.

The senior from Altoona, Iowa, greeted Redhawk reliever Matt Cook with a grand slam to left field. It was Schneider's second home run of the season and his first collegiate grand slam

However, Jackrabbit starter Brady Moxham ran into trouble in the home half of the fifth as he issued walks to four of the five hitters he faced in the inning before exiting. After Austin Suhr came on in relief, the Redhawks pulled to within a run at 7-6 before Stauss tallied his fourth and fifth runs batted in of the game with a two-run single to right center that gave SEMO a momentary 8-7 lead.

SDSU tied the game one last time in the top of the sixth as Newt Johnson scored on a wild pitch.

Redhawk reliever Carlos Vega held the Jackrabbits off the board the rest of the way, striking out six over 3 1/3 innings.

SEMO finished with an 11-8 advantage in hits. Wilson led the way by going 3-for-4, while Stauss and Peyton Faulkner each finished with a pair of hits.

Falk and Gus Steiger each posted two hits for SDSU.

Moxham walked six and struck out two in 4 1/3 innings, but did not factor in the decision. Brett Mogen took the loss in relief.

#### **SOUTHEAST MISSOURI STATE 12, SOUTH DAKOTA STATE 8**

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SEM0	030	140	31X	12-11-0

SDSU: Brady Moxham, Austin Suhr (5), Brett Mogen (6), Bret Barnett (7), Derek Feige (7), Mitchell Oehme (8) and Kolton Michalski, Ian Cote. SEMO: Joey Burris, Aaron Stretch (1), Logan Winder (4), Matt Cook (5), Matthew Wade (6), Carlos Vega (6) and Wade Stauss.

W-Vega (2-1). L-Mogen (0-1). Save-none.

HR: SDSU-Anthony Schneider (2); SEMO-Wade Stauss (3), Devon Wilson (1).

#### Game 2: SDSU 7, Southeast Missouri State 4

Freshman Gus Steiger hit the go-ahead two-run home run in the top of the sixth inning and Tyler Olmstead pitched 6 1/3 strong innings to lead the South Dakota State University baseball team to its first win of the season, 7-4, over Southeast Missouri State on Saturday.

With the game knotted at 2-all, Steiger connected on a 2-2 pitch for a homer over the fence in left-center field that scored Kolton Michalski ahead of him. It was the first collegiate round-tripper for the native of Minnetonka, Minnesota.

SEMO pulled to within a run in the bottom of the seventh on a run-scoring single by Trevor Ezell, then loaded the bases with one out in the eighth. However, Jackrabbit reliever Alex Marro induced a third-to-first double play to end the threat.

SDSU carried the momentum into the top of the ninth, scoring three times to build a 7-3 lead. Pinch-hitter Nick Smith lined a triple down the right-field line to score two and Philip Jacobson followed with a double to plate Smith.

#### **GAME HIGHS**

#### **TEAM BATTING**

At-Bats: 37, vs. Bradley, 2-23-18

Runs Scored-Game: 8, at Southeast Missouri State, 3-2-18

Runs Scored-Inning: 4, 5th inning at Southeast Missouri State, 3-2-18, and 1st inning at Southeast Missouri State, 3-4-18

Hits: 10, at Southeast Missouri State, 3-3-18 Runs Batted In: 7, at Southeast Missouri State, 3-2-18, and at Southeast Missouri State, 3-3-18

Doubles: 2, six times (last: at Southeast Missouri State, 3-4-18)

Triples: 1, vs. Bradley, 2-25-18, and at Southeast Missouri State, 3-3-18

Home Runs: 1, five times (last: at Southeast Missouri State, 3-3-18)

Total Bases: 17, at Southeast Missouri State, 3-3-18 Walks: 13, at Southeast Missouri State, 3-2-18

Strikeouts: 14, vs. Austin Peay, 2-17-18

Sacrifice Hits: 1, three times (last: at Southeast Missouri State, 3-3-18)

Sacrifice Flies: 2, at Southeast Missouri State, 3-4-18 Stolen Bases: 2, three times (last: vs. Bradley, 2-25-18) Hit By Pitch: 2, three times (last: at Southeast Missouri State, 3-4-18)

Runners Left on Base: 13, at Southeast Missouri State, 3-2-18

#### **TEAM FIELDING**

Putouts: 27, four times (last: at Southeast Missouri State, 3-4-18)

Assists: 15, at Southeast Missouri State, 3-2-18 Errors: 2, vs. Austin Peay, 2-17-18

Double Plays Turned: 1, three times (last: at Southeast Missouri State, 3-4-18)

#### **TEAM PITCHING**

Innings Pitched: 9.0, four times (last: at Southeast Missouri State. 3-4-18)

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} Most Runs Allowed: 12, at Southeast Missouri State, \\ 3-2-18 \end{tabular}$ 

Fewest Runs Allowed: 1, at Minnesota, 2-28-18 Fewest Earned Runs Allowed: 1, at Minnesota, 2-28-18 Hits Allowed: 15, vs. Bradley, 2-23-18

Fewest Hits Allowed: 3, at Minnesota, 2-28-18

Most Walks Allowed: 8, vs. Austin Peay, 2-16-18, and at Southeast Missouri State, 3-2-18

Fewest Walks Allowed: 1, at Minnesota, 2-28-18

Strikeouts: 11, vs. Austin Peay, 2-17-18, and at Southeast Missouri State, 3-4-18

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} Home Runs Allowed: 2, at Southeast Missouri State, \\ 3-2-18 \end{tabular}$ 

Wild Pitches: 4, three times (last: at Southeast Missouri State, 3-2-18)

Hit Batters: 3, at Southeast Missouri State, 3-4-18)

Ezell delivered his second run batted in of the day on a groundout in the home half of the ninth, but Marro prevented further damage to earn his first save in a Jackrabbit uniform.

SEMO scored single runs in each of the first two innings before SDSU tied the game in the top of third on an RBI double by Anthony Schneider and run-scoring single by Josh Kutzke

Olmstead, a sophomore right-hander from Sioux Falls, held the Redhawks scoreless over the next four-plus innings. He struck out four, walked one and scattered nine hits en route to the win. Bryce Johnson added a scoreless inning of relief before giving way to Marro, who recorded the final five outs.

The Redhawks out-hit SDSU, 12-10, with each of the first four hitters in the SEMO lineup recording two hits each. Kutzke and Newt Johnson each tallied a pair of hits for the Jackrabbits.

#### SOUTH DAKOTA STATE 7, SOUTHEAST MISSOURI STATE 4

SDSU 002 002 003 7-10-0 SEMO 110 000 101 4-12-1

SDSU: Tyler Olmstead, Bryce Johnson (7), Alex Marro (8) and Kolton Michalski. SEMO: Logan Spalt, Cody Creed (5), Ryan Losman (8) and Wade Stauss, Cole Bornhop.

W-Olmstead (1-0). L-Creed (0-1). Save-Marro (1).

HR: SDSU-Gus Steiger (1).

#### Game 3: SDSU 6, Southeast Missouri State 5

Freshman Gus Steiger plated the game-winning run for the second day in a row, delivering a sacrifice fly in the top of the ninth for a 6-5 South Dakota State victory over Southeast Missouri State in nonconference baseball action Sunday afternoon.

Phil Velez started the game-winning rally with a one-out single to center field. After Skyler Wenninger and pinch-hitter Josh Kutzke walked to load the bases, Steiger lifted a fly ball to right field that was deep enough to allow Velez to score. Saturday, Steiger hit a two-run home run in the sixth inning that gave SDSU a 4-2 lead in a contest it went on to win, 7-4.

SDSU reliever Austin Suhr, who worked out of a jam in the eighth after allowing an inherited runner to score the tying run, pitched a 1-2-3 bottom of the ninth that included a pair of strikeouts to preserve the win.

The Jackrabbits sent eight men to the plate in the top of the first inning, scoring four times. Steiger led off the game with a single and scored on Nick Smith's double to right field. Anthony Schneider added a run-scoring double, with the other two runs scoring on groundouts off the bats of Newt Johnson and Velez.

The SDSU lead grew to 5-0 in the top of the sixth as Schneider tallied a sacrifice fly that brought home Johnson.

Otis Roby pitched five scoreless innings in his first start as a Jackrabbit before SEMO's comeback bid began in the home half of the sixth with a three-run home run to left field by Tristen Gagan. The Redhawks drew to within 5-4 in the seventh on a sacrifice fly by Wade Stauss before tying the game on Trevor Ezell's infield single in the eighth.

Ezell was 4-for-5 as SEMO held an 11-7 advantage in hits. SDSU's seven hits were scattered among seven different players, with Schneider tallying a pair of runs batted in.

Roby struck out seven and walked two in 5 2/3 innings, but did not factor in the final decision.

#### **SOUTH DAKOTA STATE 6, SOUTHEAST MISSOURI STATE 5**

SDSU 400 001 001 6-7-1 SEMO 000 003 110 5-11-0

SDSU: Otis Roby, Bryce Johnson (6), Brett Mogen (7), Austin Suhr (8) and Kolton Michalski, Derek Hackman. SEMO: Christian Vick, Daniel Bergtholdt (6), Carlos Vega (9) and Cole Bornhop. W-Suhr (1-2). L-Bergtholdt (0-3). Save-none.

HR: SEMO-Tristen Gagan (3).

**SOLID DEFENSE:** The Jackrabbits enter the weekend as the top fielding team in The Summit League with a .986 fielding percentage through 10 games, a mark that also ranks eighth among NCAA Division I teams. SDSU has committed only five errors and went five full games without a miscue before committing an error in the sixth inning of their 6-5 victory at Southeast Missouri State on March 4.

### 2018 SUMMIT LEAGUE STANDINGS

SCHOOL	<b>O</b> VERALL	Conf.
Oral Roberts	5-1	0-0
North Dakota State	4-4	0-0
Fort Wayne	2-4	0-0
Omaha	2-5	0-0
Western Illinois	0-6	0-0
South Dakota State	0-7	0-0
Records through games playe		

### 2018 SUMMIT LEAGUE PRESEASON POLL

1. Oral Roberts (5)	25
2. South Dakota State (1)	20
3. North Dakota State	17
4. Western Illinois	14
5. Omaha	9
6. Fort Wayne	5
Notes: First-place votes in parentheses	



#### **QUICK FACTS**

NAME OF SCHOOL: South Dakota State University

CITY/ZIP: Brookings, SD 57007 FOUNDED: February 21, 1881 ENROLLMENT: 12,527 (fall 2017) COLORS: Yellow and Blue

Home Stadium: Erv Huether Field (600 capacity)

PRESIDENT: Dr. Barry H. Dunn
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR: Justin Sell
2017 OVERALL RECORD: 26-24
2017 SUMMIT LEAGUE RECORD: 18-12
(third place in regular season; third place at Summit League Baseball Championship)

Home Record: 11-5

AWAY/NEUTRAL RECORD: 9-14/6-5
LETTERWINNERS RETURNING/LOST: 16/12
POSITION STARTERS RETURNING/LOST: 6/3
ALL-TIME RECORD: 1,300-1,138-5
FIRST YEAR OF BASEBALL: 1947

NCAA DIVISION I POSTSEASON APPEARANCES:

One/2013

NCAA DIVISION II POSTSEASON APPEARANCES:

Nine (last in 1995)

**OFFENSIVE WOES:** South Dakota State has struggled at the plate in the first three weeks of the 2018 season, posting a team batting average of only .199 and averaging 3.7 runs per game. The Jackrabbits showed signs of breaking out of their offensive funk in their three-game series at Southeast Missouri State over the weekend, averaging seven runs per game and batting .253 (25-for-99) as a team.

Last season, SDSU batted .282 as a team and averaged 5.5 runs per game en route to a 26-24 record. The Jackrabbits tallied 10 or more runs in a game 10 times in 2017.

**NEW ARMS:** Seven Jackrabbit pitchers made their SDSU debuts on the opening weekend of play in Missouri and Illinois. Brady Moxham and Korey Kuhlmann each started games for SDSU, while Otis Roby, Austin Suhr, Alex Marro, Bryce Johnson and Mitchell Oehme made appearances in relief.

**SCHNEIDER CLEARS THE BASES:** Senior Anthony Schneider made the most of his run-scoring opportunities in the Jackrabbits' weekend series at Southeast Missouri State by driving in seven runs in eight official at-bats. Schneider began the weekend by hitting a pinch-hit grand slam in the March 2 series opener, then went 1-for-4 with a run-scoring double the next day.

In the March 4 series finale, Schneider plated a first-inning run with a double and added a sacrifice fly in the sixth inning.

For the series, Schneider batted .375 (3-for-8) and slugged 1.000 as all three of his hits went for extra bases — a home run and two doubles.

Schneider's grand slam was the first by a Jackrabbit player since Matt Johnson connected on April 23, 2016, at Omaha.

**KJOLSING EXTENDS STREAK:** Shortstop Tony Kjolsing brings a streak of reaching base safely by hit or walk in 24 consecutive games into the midweek series at Air Force. A senior from Chaska, Minnesota, Kjolsing reached base safely in the final 14 games of the 2017 season and has been on base in all 10 games thus far in 2018.

Kjolsing also enters the weekend as the top base stealer in The Summit League with five stolen bases in seven attempts.

**HOT START:** Outfielder Landon Badger has excelled on Opening Day in each of his two seasons with the Jackrabbits. Both of Badger's career three-hit games have come in a season opener — he was 3-for-5 with two doubles and three runs batted in during his collegiate debut against Northern Illinois in the 2017 season opener, then went 3-for-4 in the 2018 opener against Austin Peay.

**COACH BISHOP:** Rob Bishop, who has guided college baseball teams to more than 500 victories, was named head baseball coach at South Dakota State University on Aug. 1, 2016. Bishop is the ninth head coach in program history and the fourth in the Division I era of Jackrabbit baseball.

Overall, Bishop holds a 577-354-1 record (.620 winning percentage) as a collegiate head coach, including a 28-32 mark with the Jackrabbits. Prior to coming to SDSU, he spent six years at NCAA Division II member Montana State University-Billings, where he led the Yellowjackets to back-to-back Great Northwest Athletic Conference regular season titles in 2015 and 2016, attaining the program's first-ever 30-win season with a 30-20 record in 2016.

His squads also were honored as the top academic team in the GNAC each of his last three seasons.

Previously, Bishop spent 10 years at Miles City Community College in Montana, where his teams won MonDak conference championships every year. His squads also claimed five consecutive junior college region titles and a Northwest District championship in 2007 to advance to the NJCAA Division II College World Series. He also served as athletic director the last five years of his tenure at Miles City.

Bishop served as a graduate assistant at SDSU under head coach Mark Ekeland during the 1998 and 1999 seasons. In his first season as a head coach, Bishop led Huron University to the South Dakota Intercollegiate Conference title in 2000.

A 1994 graduate of Jamestown College, Bishop earned NAIA All-America honors during the 1992 and 1994 seasons as an infielder.

### SOUTH DAKOTA STATE PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

PLAYERS	
Cote	CO-tee
Feige	FY-jee
Kjolsing	COLE-sing
Kuhlmann	COOL-man
Kutzke	CUTS-key
Marro	MAHR-oh
Michalski	mah-HALL-ski
Mogen	MOE-gun
Moxham	MOCKS-hum
Oehme	OH-me
Olmstead	OLM-sted
Reimers	RYE-mers
Roby	ROE-bee
Steiger	STY-gurr
Suhr	SOOR
Velez	vel-EZZ
Wenninger	WENN-en-gurr
COACHES	
Grunzke	GRUNS-key
Higginbotham	HIGG-in-bawth-um
Mormann	MORE-man

**THE ROSTER:** The 2018 SDSU baseball roster features 33 players from six different states and one Canadian province. Of the 33 players, 12 are from South Dakota, 10 are from Iowa and seven hail from Minnesota. Arizona, Washington and Wisconsin are represented by one player each, as is Manitoba.

By class, seven are seniors, 11 are juniors, eight are sophomores and seven are incoming freshmen.

No.	PLAYER	Pos.	В-Т	Нт.	WT.	Yr.	HOMETOWN (PREVIOUS SCHOOL)
1	Logan Holtz	OF	R/R	5-11	175	Jr.	Urbana, Iowa/Marshalltown CC (Iowa)
2	Nick Smith**	IF/OF	L/R	5-11	175	Jr.	Chanhassen, Minn./Chanhassen H.S.
3	Gus Steiger	IF	R/R	5-11	180	Fr.	Minnetonka, Minn./Minnetonka H.S.
4	Ian Cote**	C	R/R	5-8	190	Jr.	Chanhassen, Minn./Minnetonka H.S.
5	Bryce Johnson	Р	L/L	6-0	160	Jr.	Glendale, Ariz./Phoenix College (Ariz.)
6	Phil Velez**	OF	R/R	5-8	180	Sr.	Des Moines, Iowa/Southeastern CC (Iowa)
7	Bret Barnett	Р	L/L	6-2	175	Fr.	Indianola, Iowa/Martensdale-St. Mary's H.S.
8	Tony Kjolsing***	IF	R/R	5-11	175	Sr.	Chaska, Minn./Chaska H.S.
9	Skyler Wenninger**	IF/OF	R/R	6-0	180	Sr.	Luverne, Minn./Minnesota-Duluth
11	Landon Badger*	OF	L/L	6-0	185	So.	Pierre, S.D./T.F. Riggs H.S.
12	Anthony Schneider**	IF/OF	L/R	6-0	190	Sr.	Altoona, Iowa/Southeast Polk H.S.
13	Brady Moxham	Р	R/R	6-3	195	So.	Oakville, Manitoba/Midland College (Texas)
14	Colton Cox	OF	R/R	6-1	185	Fr.	Aberdeen, S.D./Roncalli H.S.
15	Otis Roby	Р	R/R	6-1	210	Jr.	Knoxville, Iowa/Southeastern CC (Iowa)
17	Brett Mogen*	Р	R/R	6-2	200	So.	Dell Rapids, S.D./Dell Rapids H.S.
18	Alex Marro	Р	R/R	6-1	205	Jr.	Janesville, Wis./McHenry County College (III.)
19	Josh Falk	IF	R/R	6-2	230	So.	Minnetonka, Minn./Gulf Coast State (Fla.)
20	Kolton Michalski**	C	R/R	6-0	200	Jr.	Watertown, S.D./Watertown H.S.
21	Philip Jacobson***	OF	R/R	6-1	185	Sr.	Dakota Dunes, S.D./Bishop Heelan H.S.
22	Derek Feige**	Р	R/R	6-0	175	Sr.	Sioux Falls, S.D./New Mexico State
23	Brady Stover*	Р	L/L	6-2	190	So.	Huxley, Iowa/Collins-Maxwell-Baxter H.S.
24	Korey Kuhlmann	Р	L/L	6-1	220	Jr.	Ute, Iowa/Iowa Western CC
25	Josh Kutzke	IF	R/R	5-10	225	Jr.	Kennewick, Wash./Walla Walla CC (Wash.)
27	Austin Suhr	Р	R/R	6-0	205	Jr.	Bettendorf, Iowa/Iowa Central CC
28	Tyler Olmstead*	P	R/R	6-2	220	So.	Sioux Falls, S.D./Washington H.S.
29	Mitchell Oehme	P	R/R	6-5	195	Fr.	Minnetonka, Minn./Minnetonka H.S.
30	Andrew Zimmerman	P	R/R	5-11	185	Fr.	Urbandale, Iowa/Johnston H.S.
31	Quinn Reimers*	Р	R/R	6-4	235	So.	Pierre, S.D./T.F. Riggs H.S.
32	Derek Hackman	C	R/R	6-0	220	Fr.	Johnston, Iowa/Johnston H.S.
33	Newt Johnson***	IF.	R/R	6-2	210	Sr.	Rapid City, S.D./St.Thomas More H.S.
34	Bryce Hanson**	Р	L/L	6-4	230	Jr.	Dakota Dunes, S.D./Sergeant Bluff-Luton H.S.
38	Timmy Paris	C	R/R	6-1	205	Fr.	Rapid City, S.D./Rapid City Central H.S.
	Cody Carlson	Р	L/L	5-10	205	So.	Rapid City, S.D./Northeastern JC (Colo.)
	* indicates number of vars	sity letters e	arned				

#### COACHING STAFF

26	Rob Bishop	Head Coach
10	Brian Grunzke	Assistant Coach
40	Mitch Mormann	Pitching Coach
39	Danny Higginbotham	Volunteer Assistant

**A LOOK AHEAD:** The Jackrabbits wrap up their Spring Break trip by playing a three-game weekend series at Northern Colorado Friday through Sunday (March 9-11). First pitch is slated for 2 p.m. Mountain Time (3 p.m. Central) both Friday and Saturday, with Sunday's series finale set for noon Mountain Time (1 p.m. Central).

Further updates will be available through GoJacks.com and Twitter (@GoJacksBaseball).

### The Automated ScoreBook Overall Statistics for South Dakota State (as of Mar 04, 2018) (All games Sorted by Batting avg)

Record: 2-8 Home: 0-0 Away: 2-2 Neutral: 0-6 Conference: 0-0

Player	avg	gp-gs	ab	r	h	2b	3b	hr	rbi	tb	slg%	bb	hp	so	gdp	ob%	sf	sh	sb-att	ро	а	e fld%
Josh Falk	.313	10-9	32	3	10	1	0	0	2	11	.344	3	4	6	0	.436	0	0	0-0	33	2	0 1.000
Josh Kutzke	.273	7-2	11	1	3	1	0	0	1	4	.364	3	0	5	0	.429	0	0	0-0	23	7	0 1.000
Derek Hackman	.250	6-2	4	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	.500	1	0	0	0	.400	0	0	0-0	12	2	0 1.000
Landon Badger	.240	8-8	25	1	6	1	0	0	3	7	.280	4	0	6	0	.345	0	0	1-2	22	0	0 1.000
Tony Kjolsing	.235	10-10	34	6	8	0	0	1	2	11	.324	11	1	11	0	.435	0	0	5-7	13	17	1 .968
Gus Steiger	.233	8-8	30	4	7	1	1	1	3	13	.433	0	1	6	0	.250	1	1	0-0	6	30	0 1.000
Nick Smith	.200	7-6	25	3	5	2	1	0	4	9	.360	1	0	3	0	.222	1	0	1-1	0	0	0 .000
Phil Velez	.192	10-6	26	3	5	1	0	0	2	6	.231	0	0	7	1	.185	1	1	0-0	8	0	0 1.000
Philip Jacobson	.182	9-5	22	1	4	1	0	0	2	5	.227	3	0	8	1	.280	0	1	0-1	11	0	0 1.000
Anthony Schneider	.174	10-7	23	4	4	2	0	2	9	12	.522	3	0	9	0	.250	2	0	0-0	5	0	0 1.000
Newt Johnson	.167	10-10	36	6	6	1	0	1	7	10	.278	7	0	10	0	.295	1	0	0-0	39	19	3 .951
Skyler Wenninger	.160	9-8	25	3	4	1	0	0	0	5	.200	7	0	10	1	.344	0	0	1-1	5	8	0 1.000
Kolton Michalski	.063	8-6	16	2	1	0	0	0	0	1	.063	1	1	5	0	.167	0	0	0-0	45	1	0 1.000
Logan Holtz	.000	6-1	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	1	0	3	0	.111	0	0	0-0	2	1	0 1.000
Ian Cote	.000	5-2	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	1	0	4	0	.200	0	0	0-0	17	4	0 1.000
Derek Feige	.000	1-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0 .000
Totals	.199	10	321	37	64	13	2	5	35	96	.299	46	7	93	3	.308	6	3	8-12	252	106	5 .986
Opponents	.285	10	326	57	93	14	0	6	48	125	.383	42	10	74	3	.382	2	9	21-27	270	104	8 .979

LOB - Team (76), Opp (80). DPs turned - Team (3), Opp (5). Picked off - Schneider 1, Smith 1.

#### (All games Sorted by Earned run avg)

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<u>Player</u>	era	w-l	app g	5 (	cg	sho	sv	ip	h	r	er	bb	so	2b	3b	hr	b/avg	wp	np	bk s	sfa s	<u>sna</u>
Bret Barnett	0.00	0-0	2 (	)	0	0/0	0	0.2	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0
Tyler Olmstead	2.31	1-0	3 2	2	0	0/0	0	11.2	13	3	3	2	9	6	0	0	.289	0	0	0	0	0
Mitchell Oehme	3.38	0-0	3 (	)	0	0/0	0	2.2	3	2	1	1	3	0	0	0	.300	2	0	0	0	1
Bryce Johnson	4.05	0-0	5 (	)	0	0/0	0	6.2	11	3	3	2	6	0	0	0	.355	2	1	0	0	0
Brady Stover	4.50	0-0	2 2	2	0	0/0	0	8.0	6	4	4	6	9	2	0	1	.214	0	2	0	0	0
Austin Suhr	4.70	1-2	5 (	)	0	0/0	0	7.2	10	6	4	4	3	1	0	0	.333	3	1	0	0	1
Otis Roby	5.79	0-1	3 :	L	0	0/0	0	9.1	10	9	6	7	11	1	0	1	.263	4	1	0	0	1
Korey Kuhlmann	5.79	0-3	3 2	2	0	0/0	0	9.1	11	6	6	0	6	0	0	1	.282	0	1	1	0	0
Brett Mogen	6.75	0-1	5 (	)	0	0/0	0	6.2	7	5	5	2	3	0	0	0	.292	0	1	0	1	2
Alex Marro	6.75	0-0	4 (	)	0	0/0	1	4.0	2	3	3	4	3	2	0	0	.182	0	1	0	1	1
Quinn Reimers	6.75	0-0	2 (	)	0	0/0	0	1.1	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	.400	1	0	0	0	1
Brady Moxham	7.80	0-1	3 3	3	0	0/0	0	15.0	16	13	13	9	15	2	0	2	.276	3	2	0	0	2
Derek Feige	18.00	0-0	3 (	)	0	0/0	0	1.0	2	2	2	3	4	0	0	1	.333	4	0	0	0	0
Totals	5.25	2-8	10 10	)	0	0/0	1	84.0	93	57	49	42	74	14	0	6	.285	19	10	1	2	9
Opponents	3.40	8-2	10 10	)	0	1/1	5	90.0	64	37	34	46	93	13	2	5	.199	8	7	1	6	3

PB - Team (6), Cote 4, Michalski 1, Hackman 1, Opp (4). Pickoffs - Team (1), Olmstead 1, Opp (2). SBA/ATT - Cote (11-13), Michalski (7-8), Moxham (5-8), Roby (3-4), Hackman (3-4), Mogen (4-4), Barnett (2-3), Kuhlmann (3-3), Oehme (2-2), Stover (1-1), Olmstead (0-1), Reimers (1-1).

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Player	С с	ро	а	e	fld%	dp	sba	csb	sba%	pb	ci
Kolton Michalski	46	45	1	0	1.000	0	7	1	.875	1	0
Gus Steiger	36	6	30	0	1.000	1	0	0		0	0
Josh Falk	35	33	2	0	1.000	2	0	0		0	0
Josh Kutzke	30	23	7	0	1.000	1	0	0		0	0
Landon Badger	22	22	0	0	1.000	0	0	0		0	0
Ian Cote	21	17	4	0	1.000	0	11	2	.846	4	0
Derek Hackman	14	12	2	0	1.000	0	3	1	.750	1	0
Skyler Wenninger	13	5	8	0	1.000	0	0	0		0	0
Philip Jacobson	11	11	0	0	1.000	0	0	0		0	0
Phil Velez	8	8	0	0	1.000	0	0	0		0	0
Brady Moxham	8	4	4	0	1.000	0	5	3	.625	0	0
Anthony Schneider	5	5	0	0	1.000	0	0	0		0	0
Bryce Johnson	4	2	2	0	1.000	0	0	0		0	0
Tyler Olmstead	4	1	3	0	1.000	0	0	1	.000	0	0
Logan Holtz	3	2	1	0	1.000	0	0	0		0	0
Brett Mogen	2	1	1	0	1.000	0	4	0	1.000	0	0
Otis Roby	2	2	0	0	1.000	0	3	1	.750	0	0
Korey Kuhlmann	1	0	1	0	1.000	0	3	0	1.000	0	0
Brady Stover	1	0	1	0	1.000	0	1	0	1.000	0	0
Mitchell Oehme	1	0	1	0	1.000	0	2	0	1.000	0	0
Alex Marro	1	1	0	0	1.000	0	0	0		0	0
Quinn Reimers	1	0	1	0	1.000	0	1	0	1.000	0	0
Tony Kjolsing	31	13	17	1	.968	1	0	0		0	0
Newt Johnson	61	39	19	3	.951	2	0	0		0	0
Austin Suhr	2	0	1	1	.500	0	0	0		0	0
Bret Barnett	0	0	0	0	.000	0	2	1	.667	0	0
Nick Smith	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0		0	0
Derek Feige	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0		0	0
Totals	363	252	106	5	.986	3	21	6	.778	6	0
Opponents	382	270	104	8	.979	5	8	4	.667	4	0