



2026 JACKRABBIT BASEBALL

SOUTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY

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PROBABLE STARTING LINEUP

HEAD COACH

ROB BISHOP

10th Season at SDSU (174-238)

27th Season Overall (723-550-1)

CENTER FIELDER

OWEN SIEGERT

So., Melbourne, Iowa

• .329 avg., 5 HR, 33 RBI, 12 SB in '25

2025 RECORDS

Overall: 16-36

Summit: 12-18 (5th place)



LEFT FIELDER

BRADY BROWN

So., Blair, Neb.

• .143 avg., 0 HR, 2 RBI in 2025

SHORTSTOP

KIAGEN JIRSCHELE

So., Wausau, Wis.

• .196 avg., 2 HR, 11 RBI in 2025

RIGHT FIELDER

LUKE WROBLEWSKI

Grad., Sussex, Wis.

• First season at SDSU

SECOND BASEMAN

TRAVIS FINNEY

Jr., East Bentleigh, Australia

• First season at SDSU

THIRD BASEMAN

NOLAN GRAWE

So., Cedar Rapids, Iowa

• .347 avg., 2 HR, 32 RBI in 2025

FIRST BASEMAN

DAYTON FRANKE

So., Plymouth, Minn.

• .231 avg., 8 HR, 19 RBI in 2025

CATCHER

LUKE JONES

Jr., Gilbert, Ariz.

• First season at SDSU

NATE WACHTER

OR R-Fr., Blair, Neb..

• Redshirted in 2025

DESIGNATED HITTER

LUKE LUSKEY

Jr., Green Isle, Minn.

• .336 avg., 14 HR, 52 RBI in 2025

PROBABLE STARTING PITCHERS

GAME 1

Friday, Feb. 13 • 4 p.m.

TY MADISON

Sr., RHP, Omaha, Neb.



- 2-2 record in 2025
- Team-high 22 appearances (2 starts)
- 26 K, 12 BB in 30 IP
- 9.00 ERA
- .314 opponent batting avg.

GAME 2

Saturday, Feb. 14 • noon

SAM SCHLECHT

Sr., RHP, Maple Grove, Minn.



- 3-3 record in 2025
- 13 appearances (6 starts)
- 38 K, 22 BB in 36 IP
- 6.50 ERA
- .305 opponent batting avg.

GAME 3

Saturday, Feb. 15 • 1 p.m.

SAM NOVOTNY

Jr., RHP, Omaha, Neb.



- First season at SDSU
- Transfer from Johnson County CC (Kan.)

2026 SCHEDULE

FEBRUARY		
13	at UTSA	4 p.m.
14	at UTSA	noon
15	at UTSA	1 p.m.
17	at Incarnate Word	2 p.m.
18	at Incarnate Word	2 p.m.
20	at Tarleton State	3 p.m.
21	at Tarleton State	3 p.m.
22	at Tarleton State	noon
27	at Central Arkansas	4 p.m.
28	at Central Arkansas [DH]	noon
MARCH		
1	at Central Arkansas	1 p.m.
4	at Nebraska	1 p.m.
6-8	at Cambria Classic; Minneapolis	
6	vs. Northwestern	11 a.m.
7	at Minnesota	7 p.m.
8	vs. Southern Illinois	10 a.m.
11	at Kansas State	6 p.m.
13	*at Oral Roberts	6 p.m.
14	*at Oral Roberts	2 p.m.
15	*at Oral Roberts	1 p.m.
17	at Oklahoma State	6 p.m.
18	at Oklahoma State	4 p.m.
20	*NORTH DAKOTA STATE	3 p.m.
21	*NORTH DAKOTA STATE	2 p.m.
22	*NORTH DAKOTA STATE	1 p.m.
25	at Creighton	6 p.m.
27	*at Northern Colorado	3 p.m.
28	*at Northern Colorado	1 p.m.
29	*at Northern Colorado	1 p.m.
31	BRIAR CLIFF	3 p.m.
APRIL		
2	*OMAHA	3 p.m.
3	*OMAHA	2 p.m.
4	*OMAHA	noon
7	NORTHERN STATE	3 p.m.
8	at Minnesota	6 p.m.
10	*at St. Thomas	3 p.m.
11	*at St. Thomas	1 p.m.
12	*at St. Thomas	1 p.m.
14	MIDLAND	3 p.m.
17	*ORAL ROBERTS	3 p.m.
18	*ORAL ROBERTS	2 p.m.
19	*ORAL ROBERTS	1 p.m.
22	DAKOTA WESLEYAN	3 p.m.
24	*NORTHERN COLORADO	3 p.m.
25	*NORTHERN COLORADO	2 p.m.
26	*NORTHERN COLORADO	2 p.m.
28	BUENA VISTA	3 p.m.
MAY		
1	*at North Dakota State	6:30 p.m.
2	*at North Dakota State	2 p.m.
3	*at North Dakota State	1 p.m.
8	*ST. THOMAS	1 p.m.
9	*ST. THOMAS	3 p.m.
10	*ST. THOMAS	1 p.m.
14	*at Omaha	6 p.m.
15	*at Omaha	6 p.m.
16	*at Omaha	2 p.m.
20-23	at Summit League Championship; St. Paul, Minn. (if qualified)	

All times Central
DH denotes doubleheader | *Summit League game

Jackrabbits open 2026 season with three-game series at UTSA

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February 11, 2026

BROOKINGS, S.D. — South Dakota State will take to the baseball field for the first time this season with a three-game weekend series at UTSA.

First pitch for the season opener is set for 4 p.m. Friday at Roadrunner Field in San Antonio, Texas. Saturday's middle game of the series is slated for noon, with Sunday's series finale starting at 1 p.m. Video coverage of all three games is scheduled to be available through the ESPN+ streaming platform.

The Jackrabbits enter the 2026 season in search of their first winning campaign since 2019. In 2025, SDSU compiled a 16-36 overall record, including a 12-18 mark in Summit League play.

UTSA, meanwhile, is coming off a 2025 season in which the Roadrunners set a school record with 47 wins (47-15 overall) and advanced to the NCAA Super Regionals for the first time in program history. After winning the American Athletic Conference regular season with a 23-4 mark, UTSA, which was ranked 13th by D1 Baseball to end the 2025 season, defeated Kansas State and host Texas twice in the Austin Regional to advance to Super Regional play at UCLA.

This weekend's series kicks off a road swing of eight consecutive games in the state of Texas to start the season for the Jackrabbits. SDSU is scheduled to remain in San Antonio for a two-game series Feb. 17-18, followed by a three-game set Feb. 20-22 at Tarleton State.

Updates of Jackrabbit baseball will be available throughout the weekend via X/Twitter (@GoJacksBaseball) and through GoJacks.com.

THE SERIES: Friday's series opener will mark only the fourth meeting between South Dakota State and UTSA on the baseball diamond. The Roadrunners hold a 2-1 series advantage after winning two of three games in a series played on their home field Feb. 28-March 1, 2014.

UTSA scored a 5-1 victory in the series opener before the two programs split a doubleheader the next day.

SDSU led 6-1 through seven innings in Game 1 of the twinbill before the Roadrunners came back to force extra innings with a run in the eighth and four in the ninth. The Jacks' game-winning run in the top of the 10th came without the benefit of a hit as Al Robbins drew a one-out walk and Reid Clary reached on an error. After both runners moved up a base on a balk, Robbins scored on an RBI groundout by Tyler Shannon. Talon Jumper then retired the side in order in the bottom of the 10th to preserve the win.

UTSA claimed Game 2 and the series with an 8-5 victory.

FOR OPENERS: The Jackrabbits are 5-16 in Opening Day games during the Division I era, which began with the start of the 2005 season. SDSU is 2-7 in season openers under head coach Rob Bishop, with both wins in games played at neutral sites.

The Jackrabbits claimed the 2017 season opener against Northern Illinois, 7-2, in a game played in Glendale, Arizona, and scored a 15-3 victory over UT Martin in the 2019 opener played at Russellville, Arkansas.

After having their scheduled season-opening series at eventual College World Series qualifier Murray State rained out, SDSU officially opened the 2025 season with a 7-1 setback at Pacific (Calif.) on Feb. 21 in Stockton, California.

BACK TO THE LONE STAR STATE: The state of Texas frequently has been the site of Jackrabbit season openers over the years..

More recently, South Dakota State opened the COVID-shortened 2020 season at Dallas Baptist and in 2023, the Jackrabbits played a season-opening four-game series in Sugar Land against Purdue.

THE SUMMIT LEAGUE

PRESEASON POLL

1. Oral Roberts (4)	22
2. Omaha (2)	19
St. Thomas	19
4. South Dakota State	12
5. North Dakota State	11
6. Northern Colorado	6

2025 STANDINGS

SCHOOL	OVERALL	CONF.
Oral Roberts	34-20	21-9
St. Thomas	29-21	21-9
North Dakota State	17-31	13-15
Omaha	19-28	12-16
South Dakota State	16-34	12-18
Northern Colorado	18-33	9-21

2025 SUMMIT LEAGUE AWARDS

ALL-SUMMIT LEAGUE FIRST TEAM

- Bryce Ronken
- Owen Siegert*

DH
OF

ALL-SUMMIT LEAGUE SECOND TEAM

- Adam Benes
- Nolan Grawe*
- Luke Luskey*
- Carter Sintek

UT
3B
1B
SS

ALL-SUMMIT LEAGUE HONORABLE MENTION

- Jake Goble

RP

* denotes returning player

PRESEASON POLL: South Dakota State has been picked to finish fourth in the upcoming Summit League baseball race, according to a preseason poll conducted among the league's six head coaches and announced Wednesday.

The Jackrabbits totaled 12 points in the poll and are coming off a 2025 campaign in which they compiled a 16-36 overall record, including a 12-18 mark in The Summit League. SDSU returned to the four-team Summit League Baseball Championship, marking the 14th time in 16 years of Division I eligibility that the Jackrabbits qualified for the double-elimination tournament.

Oral Roberts earned the top spot in the preseason poll with 24 points and four first-place votes. Omaha received the other two first-place votes and tied with defending regular season champion St. Thomas for second place in the survey with 19 points.

North Dakota State (11 points) and Northern Colorado (6 points) rounded out the poll.

SDSU opens the 2026 season Friday at Texas-San Antonio, kicking off a three-game weekend series. The Jackrabbits begin Summit League play March 13-15 with a three-game series at Oral Roberts.

The top four teams in league play will advance to the Summit League Baseball Championship May 20-23 in St. Paul, Minnesota.

In addition to the preseason poll, Jackrabbit first baseman Luke Luskey was named a Summit League Player to Watch and Ty Madison was selected as a Summit League Pitcher to Watch.

Luskey, a junior from Green Isle, Minnesota, has earned second-team all-Summit League honors each of the last two seasons. In 2025, he led the league with 14 home runs despite missing the final 12 games of the season due to injury. Luskey also paced the Jackrabbits with 52 runs batted in and a .691 slugging percentage while batting .336.

A senior from Omaha, Madison began the 2025 season in the starting rotation before moving to the bullpen. He made a team-high 22 appearances, striking out 26 batters in 30 innings and posting a 2-2 record.

SUMMIT LEAGUE SUCCESS: South Dakota State has been a consistent winner in The Summit League since it became a league member in 2008. Now in its 19th season as a member of The Summit League, the Jackrabbits have compiled a 239-210 (.532 winning percentage) record in regular season conference games.

SDSU has posted a .500 or better record in league play 10 times and has qualified for the four-team postseason tournament 14 out of the 16 years it has been eligible (no tournament in 2020 due to COVID-19 pandemic).

The Jackrabbits shared a Summit League regular season title in 2010 and won the league's postseason tournament in 2013.

SEASON PREVIEW: Despite having only one senior in its core group of position players, the South Dakota State baseball will look to be on the upswing during the 2026 season behind a solid group of young returning players and a revamped pitching staff.

"We're not old, but we are pretty experienced," said Rob Bishop, who is entering his 10th season leading the Jackrabbit baseball program. "It starts with having so many innings played by true freshmen last year."

In what turned out to be a building season in 2025, six true freshman position players combined to start 191 games. At least two freshmen started all 52 of the team's games a season ago.

"If we keep these guys healthy and keep these guys on the field over a long period of time, this could be a pretty good stretch for us," Bishop said. "We have player development plans with each one of those guys and they all needed to get stronger, gain a little bit of weight and continue to refine their approach. All of them have done that; they have good baseball ability, but now we're just getting more physical."

This season's edition of the Jackrabbits has been built on versatility and athleticism. With only 34 players on the roster, Bishop said an emphasis has been placed on building a program around student-athletes who can play a variety of positions, including several two-way players who are expected to see action both in the field and on the mound.

"Our roster is a lot smaller than it has been," he said. "That's really required us to recruit guys who we think can play in the middle of the field."

QUICK FACTS

NAME OF SCHOOL:	South Dakota State University
CITY/ZIP:	Brookings, SD 57007
ENROLLMENT:	12,139 (fall 2025)
COLORS:	Yellow and Blue
HOME STADIUM:	Erv Huether Field (600 capacity)
PRESIDENT:	Dr. Barry H. Dunn
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR:	Justin Sell
2025 OVERALL RECORD:	16-36
2025 SUMMIT LEAGUE RECORD:	12-18 (fifth place)
2025 HOME RECORD:	11-9
2025 AWAY/NEUTRAL RECORD:	5-25/0-2
POSITION STARTERS RETURNING/LOST:	5/4
ALL-TIME RECORD:	1,445-1,242-5
FIRST YEAR OF BASEBALL:	1947
NCAA DIVISION I POSTSEASON APPEARANCES:	One/2013
NCAA DIVISION II POSTSEASON APPEARANCES:	Nine (last in 1995)

Following is a breakdown among the various position groups:

Infield

The Jackrabbits return their starting corner infielders, but will feature some new faces up the middle.

Junior first baseman Luke Luskey has earned all-Summit League honors each of his first two seasons in the Jackrabbit lineups and has been a consistent power threat. Luskey's hit 22 home runs his first two seasons with the Jackrabbits, including a league-best 14 a season ago despite missing the final 12 games due to a knee injury. He also led the team with 52 runs batted in and a .691 slugging percentage in 2025.

Should Luskey take on more of designated hitter role this season as he returns from injury, sophomore Dayton Franke is the most likely candidate to fill in at first base. In only 65 at-bats last season, Franke finished second on the team in home runs with eight, including three in one game during the final homestand of the season against Oral Roberts.

At third base, Nolan Grawe returns after starting 50 games a season ago. Grawe, who ranked second on the team with a .347 batting average, set a Jackrabbit freshman record with 69 hits in 2025 and put together a 19-game hitting streak in the first half of the season. He brings another 12-game hitting streak into the start of his sophomore campaign.

To start the 2026 season, the shortstop position is expected to be held down by Keagen Jirschele. A sophomore from Wausau, Wisconsin, Jirschele primarily played at second base during his freshman season. He batted .196 with two home runs and 11 RBIs in 37 games, including 33 starts.

At second base, the Jackrabbits turned to the international and junior college route to bring in Australia native Travis Finney. A junior, Finney played two seasons at Yakima Valley College (Wash.), where he posted a batting average over .330 each year and recorded a combined fielding percentage of .992.

Other potential candidates to see action at the middle infield positions include sophomore Nic Werk and freshmen Grant Sorensen and Jaren Vogt. Werk primarily played outfield in 2025, but did make eight starts at second base.

Behind the plate, SDSU will rely on a number of new faces to help manage the pitching staff. Junior college transfer Luke Jones is penciled in as the Opening Day starter at catcher, with redshirt freshman Nate Wachter, sophomore Mason Lang and true freshman Luke Evenson also vying for playing time.

The lone returner among the catching group, Lang batted .294 in limited action a season ago.

Outfield

Sophomore center fielder Owen Siegert is the lone returning starter in the Jackrabbit outfield. A first-team all-Summit League performer in 2025, Siegert batted .329 with five home runs, 33 RBIs and a team-leading 12 stolen bases. He also ranked third on the team with 11 doubles.

The corner outfield spots are expected to be filled primarily by sophomore Brady Brown in left field and either newcomer Luke Wroblewski or Wachter in right. The lone senior among position players, Wroblewski previously played at Northwestern (Iowa), where he was an all-conference performer after batting .436 in 2025.

Werk and freshmen Carter Taylor, Trey Husar and Derek Schlamann also could see action in the outfield.

Pitching Staff

For the second year in a row, Ty Madison has been tabbed as the Opening Day starter for the Jackrabbits. The Omaha native started games in each of the first two series of the 2025 season before moving to the bullpen and appearing in a team-high 22 games. Madison finished with a 2-2 record while striking out 26 batters in 30 innings.

Joining Madison in the starting rotation at the start of the season will be fellow right-handers Sam Schlecht and Sam Novotny. Schlecht is in his third season in the program and has been a spot starter, including making six starts among his 13 appearances a season ago. He struck out 38 batters in 36 innings of work while compiling a 6.50 earned run average.

COACH BISHOP

AT HURON UNIVERSITY

- 38-18 record in one season (2000)

AT MILES CITY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

- 377-151 in 10 seasons (2001-10)

AT MONTANA STATE-BILLINGS

- 134-153-1 in six seasons (2011-16)

AT SOUTH DAKOTA STATE

- 174-238 in nine seasons (2017-present)

– 26-24 in 2017

– 18-32 in 2018

– 28-22 in 2019

– 5-12 in 2020

– 15-32 in 2021

– 22-23 in 2022

– 24-28 in 2023

– 20-29 in 2024

– 16-34 in 2025

CAREER TOTALS

- 723-560-1 in 26 seasons (2000-present)

Novotny began his collegiate career by redshirting at Nebraska before moving on to Johnson County Community College (Kan.), where he combined for a 13-2 record over two seasons and pitched on a squad that reached the 2025 NJCAA D1 World Series.

Freshmen Kaden Rylance and Jaren Vogt are the top candidates to fill mid-week starting roles early in the season, according to Bishop.

Last year's top starter, Caleb Duerr, suffered an injury in off-season workouts that will sideline him for the entire 2026 season. Junior Jack Kruger also remains out due to injury after making only one appearance early in the 2025 season.

The Jackrabbits do regain the services of right-hander Will Kent, who made nine starts between the 2023 and 2024 seasons before missing all of last year. Kent will likely work out of the bullpen to start the season.

The back end of the SDSU bullpen also will have a new look in 2026 after mainstays Jake Goble and Alex Clemons graduated and Dylan Driessen was drafted by the St. Louis Cardinals. Bishop expects to hand the ball off to sophomores Tristan Augedahl and Drew McDowell in late-game situations this season.

A left-hander, Augedahl pitched exclusively out of the bullpen last season, making 17 appearances and striking out 21 in 17 innings of work. He showed the ability to pitch more than once in a series, while McDowell may be counted on to pitch multiple innings in his outings.

"The good news with both of those guys is they love that big moment so we didn't have to convince them to be in the bullpen," Bishop said. "We've seen a big step in their stuff and a big step up in just how physical and how polished they are. Both have the ability to be shut-down guys."

Junior college transfer Dylan Richardson will be counted on as the primary setup man, with senior Matthew Werk and juniors Austin Henry and Tyler Sjuts also contending to bridge the gap.

The remainder of the pitching staff is made up of a group of freshmen that includes left-handers Brandon Week and Avon Barney, along a number of other potential two-way players that include Siegert, Jirschele, Husar and Logan Campbell.

"I think that we have four or five guys that you could see pitching on the weekends and playing in the field in the mid-week games, or vice versa," Bishop said. "We've just tried to build more roster depth by having more utilities and more all-around players."

COACH BISHOP: Rob Bishop, who has guided college baseball teams to more than 700 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.

Through nine seasons with the Jackrabbits, Bishop holds a 174-238 record at SDSU, including a 109-109 mark in Summit League regular season games. He also has led the Jackrabbits to the four-team Summit League Baseball Championship seven times, highlighted by finals appearances on two occasions — in 2018 and 2023.

The 2023 squad set a school record with 89 home runs in 52 games. SDSU played only one true home game but managed a 24-28 overall record and another winning season in Summit League play with a 13-11 mark. That momentum carried over to the four-team league postseason tournament, where the Jackrabbits made a run to the title game.

SDSU hit a Summit League-best 80 home runs in 2024 and also led the circuit with a .492 slugging percentage.

Overall, Bishop holds a 723-560-1 record (.563 winning percentage) as a collegiate head coach. He earned his 700th career victory in the Jackrabbits' 11-7 win at North Dakota State on April 6, 2024.

Individually, Jackrabbit players have been honored as all-Summit League performers 48 times during Bishop's tenure, including seven all-league selections in 2025.

Prior to becoming head coach at SDSU, Bishop 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.

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

Augedahl	AUG-ah-doll
Avon Barney	AV-un (as in Avenue) deer
Duerr	EE-ven-son
Evenson	FRON-key
Franke	graw
Grawe	HEW-sarr
Husar	JERSH-lee
Jirschele	CREW-gurr
Kruger	LUSS-key
Luskey	no-VOTT-nee
Novotny	RYE-lance
Rylance	shleckt
Schlecht	SHLO-man
Schlomann	SEE-gert
Siegert	suits
Sjuts	vote
Vogt	WOK-ter
Wachter	roe-BLESS-key

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.

Bishop's teams won at least 30 games in all 10 seasons, including four with 40 wins. He ended his tenure at Miles City with a 377-151 overall record. 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 year as a head coach, Bishop led Huron University to the South Dakota Intercollegiate Conference title in 2000 with a 38-18 record.

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

THE ROSTER: The 2025 SDSU baseball roster features 34 players from 10 different states and one foreign country (Australia). Of the 34 players, 13 are from Minnesota, five are from Nebraska and South Dakota, three are Iowa natives and two hail from Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota and Washington. Arizona and Wyoming are represented by one player each.

By class, one is a graduate transfer, three are seniors and nine are juniors. The sophomore class consists of 10 players and there is one redshirt freshman, while 10 are incoming freshmen.

No.	PLAYER	Pos.	B-T	Ht.	Wt.	YR.	HOMETOWN/PREVIOUS SCHOOL
1	Owen Siegert*	OF/P	L/L	5-10	180	So.	Melbourne, Iowa/West Marshall H.S.
2	Nolan Grawe*	IF	L/R	6-3	190	So.	Cedar Rapids, Iowa/Kennedy H.S.
3	Matthew Werk***	P	R/R	5-11	185	Sr.	Madison Lake, Minn./Mankato East H.S.
4	Keagen Jirschele*	IF/P	R/R	5-11	190	So.	Wausau, Wis./Mosinee H.S.
5	Luke Wroblewski	OF	R/R	6-1	205	Gr.	Sussex, Wis./Northwestern (Iowa)
6	Luke Jones	C	R/R	6-0	200	Jr.	Gilbert, Ariz./South Mountain CC (Ariz.)
7	Travis Finney	IF	R/R	5-10	185	Jr.	East Bentleigh, Australia/Yakima Valley
8	Brady Brown*	OF	R/R	5-11	190	So.	Blair, Neb./Blair H.S.
9	Luke Luskey	IF	R/R	5-11	230	Jr.	Green Isle, Minn./Belle Plaine H.S.
10	Nate Wachter	C/UT	R/R	6-2	205	R-Fr.	Blair, Neb./Blair H.S.
11	Tristan Augedahl*	P	L/L	6-8	215	So.	Caledonia, Minn./Caledonia H.S.
12	Drew McDowell*	P	R/R	6-2	225	So.	Billings, Mont./Billings West H.S.
13	Mason Lang*	C	L/R	6-1	205	So.	Chaska, Minn./Chanhassen H.S.
14	Carter Taylor	OF	R/R	6-0	180	Fr.	Missoula, Mont./Sentinel H.S.
15	Nic Werk*	UT/P	R/R	5-10	175	So.	Madison Lake, Minn./Mankato East H.S.
17	Jacob Sjuts	P	R/R	6-5	225	Jr.	Humphrey, Neb./Des Moines Area CC
19	Dylan Richardson	P	R/R	6-3	230	Jr.	Vancouver, Wash./Edmonds College
20	Ty Madison*	P	R/R	6-2	225	Sr.	Omaha, Neb./Des Moines Area CC
21	Caleb Duerr*	P	R/R	6-4	185	So.	West Fargo, N.D./Sheyenne H.S.
22	Sam Schlecht**	P	R/R	6-6	225	Sr.	Maple Grove, Minn./Iowa Central CC
23	Jack Kruger**	P	R/R	6-4	220	Jr.	Belle Plaine, Minn./Belle Plaine H.S.
24	Kaden Rylance	P	R/R	6-0	225	Fr.	Watertown, S.D./Watertown H.S.
25	Grant Sorensen	IF	R/R	6-0	190	Fr.	West Des Moines, Iowa/Waukee H.S.
27	Sam Novotny	P	R/R	6-2	200	Jr.	Omaha, Neb./Johnson County CC (Kan.)
28	Jaren Vogt	P/UT	R/R	6-0	205	Fr.	Mayer, Minn./Watertown-Mayer H.S.
29	Will Kent**	P	R/R	6-1	185	Jr.	Rosemount, Minn./Rosemount H.S.
30	Dayton Franke*	IF	L/L	6-2	230	So.	Plymouth, Minn./Robbinsdale Armstrong
31	Trey Husar	P/OF	L/L	6-3	185	Fr.	Harwood, N.D./Northern Cass H.S.
32	Austin Henry	P	R/R	6-5	220	Jr.	Dell Rapids, S.D./Missouri
34	Luke Evenson	C/OF	R/R	5-10	165	Fr.	Auburn, Wash./Bellevue Christian
35	Logan Campbell	UT/P	L/R	6-2	195	Fr.	Lakeville, Minn./Lakeville North H.S.
36	Avon Barney	P	L/L	6-1	210	Fr.	Sheridan, Wyo./Big Horn H.S.
37	Brandon Week	P	L/L	6-2	205	Fr.	Pine Island, Minn./Pine Island H.S.
38	Derek Schlomann	OF	L/L	6-0	190	Fr.	Ham Lake, Minn./Blaine H.S.

* indicates number of varsity letters earned

COACHING STAFF

Rob Bishop	Head Coach
Danny Higginbotham	Assistant Coach (Third Base Coach)
Michael Newstrom	Pitching Coach
Nate Robertson	Graduate Assistant (First Base Coach)

ON DECK: The Jackrabbits remain in San Antonio for a two-game mid-week series Feb. 17-18 at Incarnate Word. Game times are 2 p.m. both days at Sullivan Field.



SOUTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY

JACKRABBIT BASEBALL PROSPECTUS

2026 BASEBALL INFORMATION

POSITION STARTERS

Returning (R) and Lost (L)

(L) C:	Dagen Schramm
(R) 1B:	Luke Luskey
(R) 2B:	Keagen Jirschele
(L) SS:	Carter Sintek
(R) 3B:	Nolan Grawe
(R) LF:	Nic Werk
(R) CF:	Owen Siegert
(L) RF:	Jess Bellows
(L) DH:	Bryce Ronken
(L) UT:	Adam Benes

CI.

Notes

—	.210 avg., 1 HR, 9 RBI in 35 games (27 starts)
Jr.	All-Summit Second Team; .336 avg., 14 HR, 52 RBI, .691 slg. in 40 games
So.	.196 avg., 2 HR, 11 RBI in 37 games (33 starts)
—	All-Summit Second Team; .358 avg. (78-for-218), 3 HR, 30 RBI in 51 games
So.	All-Summit Second Team; .347 avg., 2 HR, 12 2B, 32 RBI in 51 games (50 starts)
So.	.132 avg., 0 HR, 5 RBI in 47 games (43 starts)
So.	All-Summit League First Team Team; .329 avg., 5 HR, 33 RBI, 12-15 SB
—	.245 avg., 1 HR, 13 RBI in 45 games
—	All-Summit League First Team; .314 avg., 4 HR, 13 2B, 36 RBI
—	All-Summit Second Team; .242 avg., 5 HR, 29 RBI in 40 games (30 starts)

STARTING PITCHERS

Returning (R) and Lost (L)

(R) RHP:	Caleb Duerr
(L) RHP:	Dylan Richey
(L) RHP:	Arlen Peters

CI.

Notes

So.	4-4 record, 6.36 ERA; 47 K, 29 BB in 58.0 IP (13 appearances, 12 starts)
—	1-2 record, 3.24 ERA; 20 K, 6 BB in 25.0 IP (9 appearances, 7 starts)
Sr.	1-5 record, 9.63 ERA; 34 K, 23 BB in 43.0 IP (13 appearances, 9 starts)

OTHER POSITION PLAYERS

(R) OF:	Brady Brown
(L) C/OF:	Davis Carr
(R) 1B/DH:	Dayton Franke
(L) IF:	Colin Gibson
(L) C:	Jayden Gibson
(L) IF:	Tyson Kogel
(R) C:	Mason Lang
(L) OF:	Andrew Phillips
(R) IF:	Matthew Werk

CI.

Notes

So.	Played in 23 games (4 starts); batted .143 with two RBIs and seven runs
—	Played in 30 games (16 starts); .155 avg., 2 2B, 6 RBIs, 4 SB
So.	Played in 35 games (16 starts); .231 avg., 8 HR, 19 RBIs, .600 slugging pct.
—	Saw action in 18 games (7 starts); batted .170 with 3 2B and 3 RBIs
—	Played in 14 games (10 starts); batted .138 with 2 RBIs
—	Batted .240 with a double and 2 RBIs in 21 games (3 starts)
So.	Batted .294 with 2 RBIs in 12 games (3 starts)
—	Played in five games with one start; 0-for-2 at the plate
Sr.	Played in two games in the field; 0-for-4 at the plate, 1.000 fielding pct.

OTHER PITCHERS

(L) LHP:	Reece Arbogast
(R) LHP:	Tristan Augedahl
(L) RHP:	Owen Bishop
(L) RHP:	Alex Clemons
(L) RHP:	Dylan Driessen
(L) RHP:	Jake Goble
(L) RHP:	Brady Hawkins
(R) RHP:	Keagen Jirschele
(R) RHP:	Will Kent
(R) RHP:	Jack Kruger
(R) RHP:	Ty Madison
(R) RHP:	Drew McDowell
(R) RHP:	Sam Schlecht
(R) LHP:	Owen Siegert
(L) RHP:	Jude Sundquist
(L) RHP:	Dane Toman
(R) RHP:	Matthew Werk

CI.

Notes

—	0-2 record, 6.06 ERA, 14 K, 5 BB in 20.1 IP (10 appearances, 3 starts)
So.	0-2 record, 6.35 ERA, 21 K, 16 BB in 17.0 IP (17 relief appearances)
—	0-2 record, 9.99 ERA, 13 K, 19 BB in 24.1 IP (13 appearances, 7 starts)
—	1-2 record, 7.61 ERA, 31 K, 16 BB in 23.2 IP (16 relief appearances)
—	2-4 record, 6 saves, 4.37 ERA, 50 K, 30 BB in 35.0 IP (17 relief appearances)
—	HM All-Summit; 2-2 record, 3.69 ERA, 51 K, 16 BB in 53.2 IP (14 app., 1 start)
—	0-0 record, 11.68 ERA, 6 K, 10 BB in 12.1 IP (12 relief appearances)
So.	0-1 record, 7.71 ERA, 8 K, 13 BB in 14.0 IP (10 appearances, 2 starts)
Jr.	Missed 2025 season due to injury; 3-4 record, 8.80 ERA in 2024
Jr.	Limited to one appearance in 2025 due to injury
Sr.	2-2 record, 9.00 ERA, 26 K, 12 BB in 30.0 IP (22 appearances, 2 starts)
So.	0-3 record, 17.02 ERA, 11 K, 19 BB in 15.1 IP (12 appearances, 3 starts)
Sr.	3-3 record, 6.50 ERA, 38 K, 22 BB in 36.0 IP (13 appearances, 6 starts)
So.	0-0 record in 2 relief appearances (1.2 IP)
—	0-2 record, 1 save, 7.00 ERA, 10 K, 15 BB in 9.0 IP (13 relief appearances)
—	0-0 record in 8 relief appearances (6.1 IP)
Sr.	0-0 record in 3 relief appearances (2.2 IP)



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2025 BASEBALL STATISTICS

2025 JACKRABBIT BATTING STATISTICS

NAME	AVG	GP-GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OBP	SF	SH	SB
Carter Sintek	.358	51-51	218	47	78	9	3	3	30	102	.468	17	3	24	2	.407	3	0	0-2
Nolan Grawe	.347	51-50	199	40	69	12	0	2	32	87	.437	22	3	27	5	.414	3	3	3-4
Luke Luskey	.336	40-40	149	34	50	9	1	14	52	103	.691	15	4	38	1	.401	4	0	2-3
Owen Siegert	.329	45-45	164	30	54	11	1	5	33	82	.500	20	5	23	2	.414	2	3	12-15
Bryce Ronken	.314	43-43	156	33	49	13	0	4	36	74	.474	29	9	41	1	.448	0	0	5-6
Mason Lang	.294	12-3	17	1	5	0	0	0	2	5	.294	3	0	6	0	.400	0	0	0-0
Jess Bellows	.245	45-45	155	22	38	5	1	1	13	48	.310	9	11	42	3	.331	0	4	4-5
Adam Benes	.242	40-30	120	14	29	5	1	5	29	51	.425	12	3	30	1	.324	1	4	1-4
Tyson Kogel	.240	21-3	25	3	6	1	0	0	2	7	.280	4	0	12	1	.333	1	0	0-0
Dayton Franke	.231	35-16	65	14	15	0	0	8	19	39	.600	9	9	20	1	.388	2	0	0-0
Dagen Schramm	.210	35-27	81	13	17	5	0	1	9	25	.309	14	4	22	1	.354	0	0	0-0
Keagen Jirschele	.196	37-33	112	18	22	4	1	2	11	34	.304	8	3	42	0	.266	1	1	4-4
Colin Gibson	.179	18-7	28	3	5	3	0	0	3	8	.286	1	3	12	1	.281	0	0	0-0
Davis Carr	.155	30-16	58	9	9	2	0	0	6	11	.190	6	4	30	0	.279	0	3	4-5
Brady Brown	.143	23-4	21	7	3	1	0	0	2	4	.190	2	1	9	0	.250	0	0	0-0
Jayden Gibson	.138	14-10	29	2	4	0	0	0	2	4	.138	3	1	16	0	.242	0	1	1-1
Nicholas Werk	.132	47-43	136	25	18	2	1	0	5	22	.162	22	3	54	1	.267	0	6	2-4
Matthew Werk	.000	2-1	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	2	1	.000	0	0	0-0
Andrew Phillips	.000	5-1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	1	0	1	0	.333	0	0	0-0
Totals	.271	52-52	1,739	315	471	82	9	45	286	706	.406	197	66	451	21	.364	17	25	38-53
Opponents	.296	52-52	1,734	406	513	93	14	53	365	793	.457	273	61	384	24	.404	30	14	76-88

2025 JACKRABBIT PITCHING STATISTICS

NAME	ERA	W-L	APP	GS	CG	SHO	CBO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	Avg	WP	HBP
Jack Kruger	0.00	0-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0.2	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1.000	0	0
Dylan Richey	3.24	1-2	9	7	0	0	0	0	25.0	29	12	9	6	20	2	1	1	.290	4	7
Jake Goble	3.69	2-2	14	1	0	0	0	1	53.2	52	30	22	16	51	10	0	4	.257	3	3
Dylan Driessens	4.37	2-4	17	0	0	0	1	6	35.0	31	22	17	30	50	6	0	2	.233	7	4
Reece Arbogast	6.20	0-2	10	3	0	0	0	0	20.1	26	14	14	5	14	3	1	1	.310	1	1
Tristan Augedahl	6.35	0-2	17	0	0	0	0	0	17.0	19	15	12	16	21	2	1	2	.275	5	1
Caleb Duerr	6.36	4-4	13	12	0	0	1	0	58.0	59	46	41	29	47	11	0	2	.254	9	11
Sam Schlecht	6.50	3-3	13	6	0	0	0	0	36.0	46	29	26	22	38	10	1	2	.305	7	5
Jude Sundquist	7.00	0-2	13	0	0	0	0	1	9.0	6	9	7	15	10	3	0	0	.214	5	3
Alex Clemons	7.61	1-2	16	0	0	0	0	0	23.2	25	23	20	16	31	6	1	8	.269	5	4
Keagen Jirschele	7.71	0-1	10	2	0	0	0	0	14.0	13	17	12	13	8	3	0	3	.241	2	5
Ty Madison	9.00	2-2	22	2	0	0	0	0	30.0	37	33	30	12	26	6	1	6	.314	6	2
Arlen Peters	9.63	1-5	13	9	0	0	0	0	43.0	60	54	46	23	34	11	1	11	.324	11	4
Owen Bishop	9.99	0-2	13	7	0	0	0	0	24.1	41	29	27	19	13	6	3	4	.383	2	1
Owen Siegert	10.80	0-0	2	0	0	0	0	0	1.2	2	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	.250	0	0
Brady Hawkins	11.68	0-0	12	0	0	0	0	0	12.1	17	17	16	10	6	2	2	2	.333	0	6
Drew McDowell	17.02	0-3	12	3	0	0	0	0	15.1	31	29	29	19	11	3	2	4	.425	8	4
Dane Toman	21.32	0-0	8	0	0	0	0	0	6.1	9	16	15	18	2	3	0	1	.321	2	0
Matthew Werk	27.00	0-0	3	0	0	0	0	0	2.2	8	8	8	2	2	6	0	0	.500	0	0
Totals	7.36	16-36	52	52	0	1	1	8	428.0	513	406	350	273	384	93	14	53	.296	77	61
Opponents	5.50	36-16	52	52	0	2	2	18	443.1	471	315	271	197	451	82	9	45	.271	38	66



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2025 BASEBALL SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	SITE	SDSU	OPPONENT	W-L	PITCHER OF RECORD
Feb. 21	Pacific (Calif.)	L, 1-7	Stockton, Calif.	6-8-1	8-9-0	0-1	Ty Madison (0-1)
Feb. 22	Pacific (Calif.) [DH]	L, 3-4	Stockton, Calif.	9-10-1	13-10-4	0-2	Reece Arbogast (0-1)
Feb. 22	Pacific (Calif.) [DH]	L, 0-8	Stockton, Calif.	0-4-2	8-11-1	0-3	Sam Schlecht (0-1)
Feb. 23	Pacific (Calif.)	L, 3-6	Stockton, Calif.	3-10-1	6-10-0	0-4	Arlen Peters (0-1)
Feb. 26	Sacramento State	L, 2-14	Sacramento, Calif.	2-8-2	14-10-1	0-5	Caleb Duerr (0-1)
Feb. 27	Sacramento State	L, 5-14	Sacramento, Calif.	5-15-0	14-14-0	0-6	Ty Madison (0-2)
Feb. 28	Sacramento State	L, 1-4	Sacramento, Calif.	1-4-0	4-9-2	0-7	Sam Schlecht (0-2)
Mar. 1	Sacramento State	[10 inn.] W, 12-11	Sacramento, Calif.	12-13-3	11-8-2	1-7	Alex Clemons (1-0)
Mar. 7	Saint Louis	L, 7-8	St. Louis, Mo.	7-10-0	8-11-0	1-8	Alex Clemons (1-1)
Mar. 8	Saint Louis	L, 4-12	St. Louis, Mo.	4-5-2	12-12-0	1-9	Sam Schlecht (0-3)
Mar. 9	Saint Louis	[7 inn.] L, 2-17	St. Louis, Mo.	2-5-2	17-9-0	1-10	Caleb Duerr (0-2)
Mar. 12	Air Force	[7 inn.] L, 2-15	U.S. Air Force Academy, Colo.	2-6-0	15-13-1	1-11	Drew McDowell (0-1)
Mar. 15	*Northern Colorado [DH]	L, 4-8	Greeley, Colo.	4-11-2	8-12-0	1-12 (0-1)	Arlen Peters (0-2)
Mar. 15	*Northern Colorado [DH]	W, 12-7	Greeley, Colo.	12-15-1	7-15-2	2-12 (1-1)	Ty Madison (1-2)
Mar. 16	*Northern Colorado	L, 10-11	Greeley, Colo.	10-10-0	11-12-2	2-13 (1-2)	Jude Sundquist (0-1)
Mar. 18	Creighton	L, 0-1	Omaha, Neb.	0-3-0	1-4-1	2-14	Tristan Augedahl (0-1)
Mar. 21	*ST. THOMAS	L, 9-13	Erv Huether Field	9-11-4	13-11-1	2-15 (1-3)	Owen Bishop (0-1)
Mar. 22	*ST. THOMAS [DH]	L, 4-11	Erv Huether Field	4-7-4	11-13-1	2-16 (1-4)	Arlen Peters (0-3)
Mar. 23	*ST. THOMAS [DH]	W, 8-2	Erv Huether Field	8-10-1	2-6-0	3-16 (2-4)	Caleb Duerr (1-2)
Mar. 25	SOUTHWEST MINNESOTA STATE	W, 12-10	Erv Huether Field	12-11-2	10-12-1	4-16	Dylan Driessen (1-0)
Mar. 28	*at North Dakota State [DH]	L, 2-5	Fargo, N.D.	2-10-1	5-6-0	4-17 (2-5)	Caleb Duerr (1-3)
Mar. 28	*at North Dakota State [DH]	L, 2-3	Fargo, N.D.	2-7-3	3-11-1	4-18 (2-6)	Dylan Driessen (1-1)
Apr. 2	at Kansas	L, 7-10	Lawrence, Kan.	7-11-0	10-10-2	4-19	Drew McDowell (0-2)
Apr. 6	*at Oral Roberts [DH]	L, 2-4	Tulsa, Okla.	2-8-0	4-8-0	4-20 (2-7)	Jake Goble (0-1)
Apr. 6	*at Oral Roberts [DH]	L, 1-9	Tulsa, Okla.	1-3-1	9-12-1	4-21 (2-8)	Jude Sundquist (0-2)
Apr. 8	at Minnesota	L, 3-4	Minneapolis, Minn.	3-6-1	4-8-4	4-22	Drew McDowell (0-3)
Apr. 9	DAKOTA WESLEYAN	[7 inn.] W, 16-4	Erv Huether Field	16-9-0	4-6-3	5-22	Sam Schlecht (1-3)
Apr. 11	*OMAHA	W, 7-5	Erv Huether Field	7-10-1	5-8-0	6-22 (3-8)	Caleb Duerr (2-3)
Apr. 12	*OMAHA	[8 inn.] W, 13-3	Erv Huether Field	13-13-0	3-6-0	7-22 (4-8)	Jake Goble (1-1)
Apr. 13	*OMAHA	[7 inn.] L, 5-19	Erv Huether Field	5-10-2	19-24-0	7-23 (4-9)	Reece Arbogast (0-2)
Apr. 16	at Minnesota	L, 2-4	Minneapolis, Minn.	2-7-3	4-7-0	7-24	Dylan Richey (0-1)
Apr. 17	*at St. Thomas	L, 6-14	St. Paul, Minn.	6-6-2	14-12-2	7-25 (4-10)	Alex Clemons (1-2)
Apr. 18	*at St. Thomas	W, 3-0	St. Paul, Minn.	3-4-2	0-7-2	8-25 (5-10)	Caleb Duerr (3-3)
Apr. 19	*at St. Thomas	L, 1-5	St. Paul, Minn.	1-2-2	5-10-0	8-26 (5-11)	Owen Bishop (0-2)
Apr. 22	NORTHWESTERN	[7 inn.] W, 20-1	Erv Huether Field	20-17-0	1-7-2	9-26	Sam Schlecht (2-3)
Apr. 23	vs. Creighton	[7 inn.] L, 2-12	Sioux Falls, S.D.	2-6-0	12-11-0	9-27	Keagen Jirschele (0-1)
Apr. 25	*NORTH DAKOTA STATE	W, 6-3	Erv Huether Field	6-13-2	3-3-2	10-27 (6-11)	Dylan Driessen (2-1)
Apr. 26	*NORTH DAKOTA STATE [DH]	L, 4-8	Erv Huether Field	4-8-2	8-10-1	10-28 (6-12)	Caleb Duerr (3-4)
Apr. 26	*NORTH DAKOTA STATE [DH]	W, 8-6	Erv Huether Field	8-10-2	6-16-2	11-28 (7-12)	Jake Goble (2-1)
Apr. 27	*NORTH DAKOTA STATE	W, 9-6	Erv Huether Field	9-8-0	6-11-1	12-28 (8-12)	Ty Madison (2-2)
May 2	*NORTHERN COLORADO	L, 6-9	Erv Huether Field	6-12-2	9-10-0	12-29 (8-13)	Dylan Driessen (2-2)
May 3	*NORTHERN COLORADO	W, 11-2	Erv Huether Field	11-12-0	2-3-0	13-29 (9-13)	Caleb Duerr (4-4)
May 4	*NORTHERN COLORADO	W, 10-2	Erv Huether Field	10-13-1	2-9-2	14-29 (10-13)	Dylan Richey (1-1)
May 9	*at Omaha	W, 7-3	Omaha, Neb.	7-8-0	3-7-1	15-29 (11-13)	Arlen Peters (1-3)
May 10	*at Omaha	L, 11-14	Omaha, Neb.	11-12-1	14-11-3	15-30 (11-14)	Tristan Augedahl (0-2)
May 11	*at Omaha	[7 inn.] W, 14-3	Omaha, Neb.	14-13-0	3-7-2	16-30 (12-14)	Sam Schlecht (3-3)
May 15	*ORAL ROBERTS [DH]	L, 4-11	Erv Huether Field	4-8-3	11-11-1	16-31 (12-15)	Arlen Peters (1-4)
May 15	*ORAL ROBERTS [DH]	L, 11-14	Erv Huether Field	11-15-4	14-15-0	16-32 (12-16)	Jake Goble (2-2)
May 16	*ORAL ROBERTS	L, 11-13	Erv Huether Field	11-15-5	13-14-1	16-33 (12-17)	Dylan Driessen (2-3)
May 17	*ORAL ROBERTS	L, 2-9	Erv Huether Field	2-8-4	9-17-1	16-34 (12-18)	Dylan Richey (1-2)
May 21	^vs. Oral Roberts	L, 2-11	Omaha, Neb.	2-8-2	11-8-0	16-35	Arlen Peters (1-5)
May 22	^at Omaha	[10 inn.] L, 6-7	Omaha, Neb.	6-10-1	7-7-0	16-36	Dylan Driessen (2-4)

*Summit League game | DH – doubleheader

2025 INNING-BY-INNING SCORING SUMMARY

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	EX	TOTAL
South Dakota State	47	17	47	60	33	26	35	40	8	2	315
Opponents	37	46	48	65	63	54	41	24	26	2	406