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March 8, 2025 | University Arena | Kalamazoo, Mich.



TODAY'S ROTATION

R 1: WMU - Vault | CMU - Bars | UI - Beam | WF - Floor

R 2: WMU - Bars | CMU - Vault | UI - Floor | WF - Vault

R 3: WMU - Beam | CMU - Floor | UI - Vault | WF - Bars

R 4: WMU - Floor | CMU - Beam | UI - Bars | WF - Beam



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The Western Michigan gymnastics team welcomes Central Michigan, Illinois and Wilberforce for Senior Day on Saturday at 4 p.m. It is also a podium meet, letting fans and gymnast experience the sport as it is at the highest levels.

A SPECIAL KIND OF MEET

"The world's most prestigious gymnastics competitions including the Olympic Games and our NCAA National Championships, are held on an elevated stage called a "podium." This weekend WMU will make history by being the very first women's collegiate program to ever host a regular season meet on podium on a University campus. Invitational neutral-site meets on podium have become very popular in the last couple of years, but we're the first to do it on campus in our own arena."

"At any one time during the meet only the performing gymnasts will be up on the podium competing. Coaches, teams and support personnel will be down lower on the floor. This creates a unique experience for the gymnasts to compete in a more focused and visible setting. It's great for the fans and it's much more forgiving on the gymnasts' bodies. The trick is that the timing is different when elevated. It takes practice to learn how to compete well this way. That's why the country's best teams are looking for opportunities to compete on podiums during the regular season to better prepare for the post-season. We're thrilled to have three teams here with us for this inaugural meet, and expect to draw more top teams in the future."

- Western Michigan head coach Penny Jernigen

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Prior to the final results of the meet being announced, the Broncos will take time to celebrate their senior class of Halle Faulkner, Molly Freeman, DonnaKathryn Roy, Ally Schaupp, Gigi Singh and Cassie St. Clair. The six gymnasts have been a part of breaking every team event record, as well as the all-time highest meet score in program history, a 197.100 against Northern Illinois on March 4, 2023.

All seven competed at and helped the Broncos win the 2024 Mid-American Conference Tournament Championship. Faulkner sealed the title with a 9.850 on the final vault of the meet. She helped the program to a MAC Regular Season Championship in 2023 and helped the Broncos qualify for the NCAA Tournament as a team in 2022 and 2023. All seven have also earned Academic All-MAC recognition and WCGA All-American Scholar honors.

"This senior class has made a significant contribution to our program's success over the past four years," said Jernigen. "Their freshman year we qualified to the NCAA regional championships as a team for the first time since the championship was established in 1982. They repeated this accomplishment again in 2022 and 2023. They were also a part of the teams that won both the MAC regular season in 2023 and the MAC tournament championship in 2024. They've been extraordinary for us, and we are especially proud to be able to provide them with a podium to compete on for their Senior Day on Saturday."

A LOOK AT THE FIELD

The Fighting Illini rank 26th in the nation, according to RoadToNationals.com. The Chippewas are currently 34th and the lone team from the MAC in the Top 36 required to make the NCAA Tournament, while Bulldogs are in their first season in the history of their program. Originally, Wilberforce was going to start its program in 2026, but when Talladega closed its program, the majority of the team transferred to Wilberforce to jumpstart the program a year early.

UI's Chloe Cho is one of the top all-arounders in the nation, with an all-around National Qualifying Score of 39.375 and a high of 39.475.

CMU is the top-ranked team in the MAC with a team NQS of 195.555 and has a high score of 196.00. The Chippewas shine on bars and beam, holding the top NQS's in both events. Luciana Alvarado-Reid is the top-ranked all-arounder in the conference, with a 39.220 NQS and a high of 39.725.

ON THE HORIZON

The Broncos have one more regular season meet left. WMU heads to North Carolina next Friday for a meet against the Tarheels at 6:45 p.m. The meet can be watched live on ACC Network Extra.

Lineups subject to change. For the most current lineups and live scoring [CLICK HERE](#).

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2025 WMU GYMNASTICS ROSTER

NAME	YEAR	EVENT	HOMETOWN/HIGH SCHOOL
Agenais Abeyta	Jr.	BB/UB	Tuscon, Ariz. / Salpointe Catholic
Kennedy Cooper	Fr.	AA	Novi, Mich. / Walled Lake Western
Halle Faulkner	Sr.	AA	Canton, Mich. / Salem
Molly Freeman	Sr.	UB, BB, FX	Portage, Mich. / Portage Northern
Reilan Garvey	Fr.	AA	St. John, Ind. / Lake Central
Brooke Gelesko	So.	AA	Stevensville, Mich. / Lakeshore
Estee Goltsman	Fr.	AA	Bradenton, Fla. / Lakewood Ranch
Sidnei Heubach	Jr.	BB/UB	Chandler, Ariz. / Desert Vista
Makenna King	Jr.	AA	Hanna, Ind. / South Central
Julie Korfhage	So.	AA	Wichita, Kan. / Kapaun Mt. Carmel
Emily Krzciok	So.	BB	Freeland, Mich. / Midland Dow
Tricia Mills	Fr.	AA	Rockville, Md. / Tuscarora
Hannah Milton	So.	AA	Hinsdale, Ill. / Hinsdale Central
Sarah Moravansky	Gr.	AA	Mount Airy, Md. / Linganore High School
DonnaKathryn Roy	Sr.	AA	Rockhill, S.C. / Homeschooled
Reese Samuelson	So.	AA	Marengo, Ill. / Marengo
Ally Schaupp	Sr.	AA	Algonquin, Ill. / Huntley
Gigi Singh	Sr.	AA	Sarasota, Fla. / St. Francis
Cassie St. Clair	Sr.	V, BB, FX	Plainfield, Ill. / Plainfield North
Kyler Webster	Fr.	V/FX	Washington, Ill. / Minooka Community

HEAD COACH: Penny Jernigen

ASSISTANT COACH: Al Scharns

ASSISTANT COACH: Don Houlton

ATHLETIC TRAINER: Kelsie Nimke



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2025 CENTRAL MICHIGAN ROSTER

NAME	YEAR	EVENT	HOMETOWN/HIGH SCHOOL
Luciana Alvarado-Reid	AA	Jr.	Cartago, Costa Rica / Soluciones Educativas
Hannah Appleget	AA	Sr.	Mays Landing, N.J. / Atlantic City Institute of Technology
Avah Bootz	AA	Sr.	Ludington, Mich. / Ludington H.S.
Olivia Dittmer	AA	Fr.	Essexville, Mich. / All-Saints Catholic
Alexis Garcia	AA	Sr.	Houston, Texas / Texas Connections Academy
Jenna Germond	AA	So.	Neshannock, Pa. / Pennsylvania Cyber Charter
Abby Izaks	AA	Fr.	Deerfield, Ill. / Deerfield
Gabrielle Johnson	AA	So.	West Chester, Ohio / Lakota West
Lia Kmiecik	AA	Sr.	Naperville, Ill. / Central H.S.
Ariana Light	AA	Sr.	Brandon, Fla. / North Florida Christian Academy
Alisia Murray	AA	Fr.	Macomb, Mich. / L'Anse Creuse
Heather Parker	AA	Fr.	Woodbury, Tenn. / Homeschool
Zoie Pelfrey	AA	So.	West Chester, Ohio / Ohio Connections Academy
Sophia Reddy	AA	So.	Northville, Mich. / Northville
Kaitlyn Schwab	AA	Fr.	Downers Grove, Ill. / Downers Grove
Samantha Shannon	AA	So.	Naperville, Ill. / Neuqua Valley
Quinn Skrupa	AA	Sr.	Brandon, Manitoba, Canada / Vincent Massey H.S.
Ava Wellmeier	AA	Fr.	Zanesville, Ohio / West Muskingum
Maylee Wendle	AA	Fr.	The Woodlands, Texas / The Woodlands
Zoë Zimmerman	AA	Fr.	Fort Erie, Ontario, Canada / École Secondaire Catholique

HEAD COACH: Christine MacDonald

ASSISTANT COACH: Katy Ordway, George Young, Ashley Velgucci



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2025 WILBERFORCE ROSTER

NAME	YEAR
Jaidyn Bryant	So.
Mackenzie Butler	Sr.
Mikayla Clements	Fr.
Diamond Cook	So.
Emily Herrera	Fr.
Promise Jean-Marie	So.
Danielle Johnson	Sr.
Madison Kelly	Fr.
Sadara Mayhorn	Fr.
Kiora Peart-Williams	So.
Nishayla Riley	So.
Saniah Smith	Fr.

HEAD COACH: Dr. Morgan Byrd

ASSISTANT COACH: Chynna Hibbitts



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2025 ILLINOIS ROSTER

NAME	YEAR	EVENT	HOMETOWN/HIGH SCHOOL
Kennedy Brown	Fr.	AA	Odenton, Md.
Alea Byrne	Jr.	AA	Frisco, Texas
Chloe Cho	Fr.	AA	Simi Valley, Calif.
Olivia Coppola	So.	AA	Union, Ky.
Destiny Denning	So.	AA	Las Vegas, Nev.
Ashlyn Doyle	Fr.	AA	Grand Rapids, Mich.
Marly Esteves	Fr.	AA	Scottsdale, Ariz.
Micheala Gentry	Sr.	AA	Oklahoma City, Okla.
Mya Gordon	Fr.	AA	Mt. Juliet, Tenn.
Makayla Green	Sr.	AA	Mays Landing, N.J.
Tali Joelson	Jr.	AA	Seattle, Wash.
Eden King	Fr.	AA	San Mateo, Calif.
Amelia Knight	5th	AA	Bristol, U.K.
Mareli Muller	So.	AA	Ashburn, Va.
Ruthuja Nataraj	Sr.	AA	Wallingford, Conn.
Emmalise Nock	Sr.	AA	Rosemount, Minn.
Lyden Saltness	So.	AA	Stillwater, Minn.
Megan Sapp	R-So.	AA	Rockwall, Texas
Maddie Vitolo	So.	AA	Basking Ridge, N.J.
Arielle Ward	Jr.	AA	Frisco, Texas
Emma White	Jr.	AA	Franklin, Mass.
Sydney Wilke	Fr.	AA	Ridgewood, N.J.

HEAD COACH: Nadalie Walsh

ASSISTANT COACH: Josh Nilson, Aja Sims-Fletcher, Molly Stuckey

