



2023 PREVIEW GUIDE

Team Name: University of Akron

Mascot: Zips

Location: Akron

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Alec Haas, Truman Ospelt, Cam Petruso, Dominic Palko, Zach Ortner

2021/2022 NCBA Season Performance:

- 2021/2022 NCBA Season Record: **9-11**
- Final Conference Ranking/Regional Tournament/World Series Results: **Finished 3rd in New Penn Central Conference**
- Notables: **Alec Haas, Kyle Davanaugh, Cam Petruso, Owen Hawke, Dominic Palko, Mikey Milesky, Zach Ortner, Truman Ospelt, Blake Kendall**

Fall 2022 Performance (If Applicable)

- 2022 Fall Record (NCBA Sanctioned Games Only): **0-8**
- Notables: **N/A**

Number of Returning Players: 16

Returning Past All Region/NCBA All American Award Winners (Please list player names, specific accolades & years won): N/a

Players to Watch: Alec Haas, Kyle Davanaugh, Owen Hawke, Dominic Palko, Zach Ortner, Blake Kendall, Zach Bickford

New additions: Anthony Corra, Caleb Ogg, Eric Diffendal, Gabe Essinger, Gus Holben, Jacob Wilms, Justin Adzema, Ryan Walter,

Biggest Rival: Ohio State

Best Player Nickname: FP



2022-2023 Season Outlook: Following the 21'-22' spring season which saw the Zips go 5-3 with a conference win over #1 ranked Ohio State University D2, the Zips bid farewell to a heavy senior class and entered into the 2022-2023 season with many new faces. The Zips feature a much younger team this year with the fall additions of Anthony Corra, Caleb Ogg, Eric Diffendal, Gabe Essinger, Gus Holben, Jacob Wilms, Justin Adzema, and Ryan Walter. The strength of the team remains in the pitching staff, with team ace Owen Hawke leading the way. As far as offense goes, the Zips rely on a wide variety of players to shoulder the load. Notable players in the Zips batting order include: Blake Kendall, Kyle Davanaugh, Zack Bickford, Dominic Palko, and Alec Haas. Defensively, the Zips feature a solid group that displays consistency, versatility, and stability. The Outfield duo of Zach Ortner and Keith Lipkowski cover plenty of range. The defense is anchored by catchers Mitchell Fisher and Blake Kendall.



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Team Name: California University of Pennsylvania

Mascot: Vulcans

Location: California, PA

Captain(s)/Coach(s):

Head Coach - Nick Arnoni

Assistant Head Coach - Brady Benedetti

Assistant Coach - Nate Weir

2021/2022 NCBA Season Performance:

- 2021/2022 NCBA Season Record:
- **(24 - 3) , (15 - 0)**
- Final Conference Ranking/Regional Tournament/World Series Results:
- **New Penn - South Champions, New Penn Regional Champions, 2 wins in the World Series**
- Notables:

Fall 2022 Performance (If Applicable)

- 2022 Fall Record (NCBA Sanctioned Games Only):
- **(3 - 0) , (3 - 0)**
- Notables:
- **Won our 2nd straight Charleston Fall Invitational**

Number of Returning Players: 10

Returning Past All Region/NCBA All American Award Winners (Please list player names, specific accolades & years won):

- **2022 All Region & All American Pitcher - Brody Simmons**
- **2022 All Region & All American Outfielder - Gavin Wingard**
- **2022 All Region Pitcher - Logan Simmons**
- **2022 All Region Outfielder - Ryan Jacobs**
- **2022 All Region First Baseman - Christian Carter**

Players to Watch:

Everyone



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New additions:

• Aiden Flaim, Chad Petrush, Colby Hahn, Dylan Malone, Jacob Brooks, Mark Walsh, Noah Meneely, Owen Lane, Ty Houtz, Winston Rouse.

Biggest Rival:

• New Penn - Central

Best Player Nickname:

• Big Tuna

2022-2023 Season Outlook:

• We will start our spring season in Panama City Beach, Florida at the NCBA Swing Into Spring Event. From there we will have three conference series remaining and we will mix in additional games where we can.

Manager Quote:

• “No words can be assembled well enough to describe how much this team wants and looks forward to getting onto the field and playing baseball.”

2023 PREVIEW GUIDE

Team Name: Indiana University D2

Mascot: Hoosiers

Location: Bloomington, Indiana

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Garrett Larson, Jacob Kortenber, Pat Petrillo

2021/2022 NCBA Season Performance:

- 2021/2022 NCBA Season Record: **N/A**
- Final Conference Ranking/Regional Tournament/World Series Results: **N/A**
- Notables: **N/A**

Fall 2022 Performance (If Applicable)

- 2022 Fall Record (NCBA Sanctioned Games Only): **1-0**
- Notables: **Josh Moosey, James Vogt, Scooter Beverly**

Number of Returning Players: There are no "returners", this team is brand new.

Returning Past All Region/NCBA All American Award Winners (Please list player names, specific accolades & years won): N/A

Players to Watch: Josh Moosey, James Vogt, Nate Brown, Jack Dembek, Scooter Beverly, Zander Langley, Ryan Lancaster, Danny Grinberg, AJ Byrd, Blake Bouchard

New additions: AJ Byrd, Blake Bouchard, Austin Immig, Carter Frey, Casey Fanelli, Danny Grinberg, Declan Bruton, Finn Reid, Jack Dembek, James Moe, James Vogt, Josh Moosey, Jacob Kortenber, Nate Brown, Reece Kizer, Ryan Lancaster, Scooter Beverly, Shane Levey, Spencer Puett, Theo King, Thomas Hennegan, Pat Petrillo, Yusuf Meghji, Zander Langley

Biggest Rival: Ohio State D2

Best Player Nickname: Jacob "Kornbread" Kortenber



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2022-2023 Season Outlook: Indiana D2 is looking to make shockwaves in the New Penn West Conference. As a brand new team, many expect us to lack talent or to be a thin group, we are neither. Having beaten multiple D1 squads and played a tight game against the #2 D2 team nationally, we are ready for any challenge that comes our way. We began our season with a walk-off win against Xavier 2-1, with unforunate weather cancelling the other 2 games. This team does not expect to just win a few games, they want to win the whole thing.

Manager Quote: What a group we have here! Having the privilege to coach and play on the same team is a amazing, and this team is ready to shock a lot of people. Backed by one of the best rotations in the country for D2, and one of the strongest lineups I can imagine, this team has the build to be playing in June at the World Series.



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Mascot: Buckeyes

Location: Columbus, OH

**Captain(s)/Coach(s): President: Kent Gordon | Vice President: Drew Lane
Treasurer: Josh Rattay | Secretary: Noah Dzwiera | Risker Manager: Nick Potapczak
Head Coach: Joe Juza**

2021/2022 NCBA Season Performance:

- 2021/2022 NCBA Season Record: **25-4, 13-2**
- Final Conference Ranking/Regional Tournament/World Series Results: • **New Penn-West Conference Champion, New Penn Regional - 2nd Place**
- Notables: **Final National Ranking - 6th**

Fall 2022 Performance (If Applicable)

- 2022 Fall Record (NCBA Sanctioned Games Only): **3-0**
- Notables: **Drew Lane, Joseph Dellolio, & Will O'Malley all got wins in our divisional series vs Akron while totaling 9, 5, and 5 Ks each respectively. Noah Dzierwa and Joe Hendrix stayed hot at the plate each earning 4 hits. Other notable hitters include Quentin Halyama, Josh Rattay and Bryson Jordan.**

Number of Returning Players: 14- Cameron Annes, Matthew Cieslewicz, Joshua Decicco, Joseph Dellolio, Noah Dzierwa, Kent Gordon, Quentin Halyama, Joe Hendrix, Jack Kammerer, Drew Lane, Devon Mclean, Nick Potapczak, Josh Rattay, Chris Schueler

Returning Past All Region/NCBA All American Award Winners (Please list player names, specific accolades & years won): Noah Dzierwa All Region 22, Joe Hendrix All Region 22, Quentin Halyama All Region 22, Joseph Dellolio All Region 22, Drew Lane All Region 22

Players to Watch: Drew Lane, Josh Rattay, Noah Dzierwa, Joe Hendrix, Devon Mclean, Joesph Delloli, Quentin Halyama



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New additions: 10- Alex Bazzichi (1st year- Padua Franciscan), Andrew Bierden (3rd year- Lassiter), Drew Elliot (1st year- Green), Bryson Jordan (3rd year- Niles North), Austin Muttillio (2nd year- Beachwood), Will O'Malley (2nd year- Ridge), Connor Panker (1st year- Iona Prep), Colin Scott (2nd year- Upper Arlington), Nick Sowers (1st year- Jonathan Alder), Garrett Wible (Spring Ford Area)

Biggest Rival: Cal (PA)

Best Player Nickname: Pot, Mut, Lane Train, Oreo Joe, Q

2022-2023 Season Outlook: The Buckeyes finished the fall season 3-0 in conference and overall. Like most teams, the Bucks are revamping after losing several major contributors to their offensive. However, with 10 new players and 14 returners who played significant innings in the past seasons, the Bucks are looking to bring the New Penn Central championship back to Columbus in 2022 for their 7th straight title. In the Spring they have a difficult non-conference schedule including Youngstown State, Kent State, Suny-Buffalo and the NCBA Spring Training Showcase. The Bucks conference, the New Penn-Central, is one of the toughest in Division II featuring match-ups with Indiana DII, Akron, Eastern Kentucky and Xavier. The Buckeyes are looking to make another run at the Conference, Regional, and National Titles.

The Buckeyes lost several major contributors from their 2022 team including Mike Shcharber, Will Koger, Brett Wissle, Jacob Garcia, Tyler Hoffman, Peter Tou, Kelland Goodin, Greg Fisher, Justin Blythe and Sam Kapur. However, the pitching rotation will continue to dominate with returners Drew Lane, Joseph Dellolio, Quentin Halyama, and Chris Schueler averaging an ERA of 3.14 with an overall record of 15-3 in 2022. The team is looking forward to newcomers Alex Bazzichi, Austin Muttillio, Will O'Malley, Nick Sowers, and Garrett Wible to make a strong impact on the mound this year.

The offense will be led by Josh Rattay (.370/.448/.507), Quentin Halyama (.364/.440/.500), Noah Dzierwa (.358/.421/.463) and Joe Hendrix (.321/.451/.393). Returners Devon Mclean (.286/.405/.343), Kent Gordon (.257/.395/.371), Josh DeCicco (.292/.393/.292), Nick Potapczak (.276/.432/.517), Cameron Anness (.235/.400/.353) and Matt Cieslewicz (.222/.435/.267) will provide needed depth and power throughout the lineup. The Buckeyes are excited to see newcomers Alex Bazzichi, Andrew Bierden, Drew Elliot, Bryson Jordan, Connor Panker, Colin Scott, and Nick Sowers find their place in the lineup and help the team succeed on and off the field.

Manager Quote: "With a lot of seniors graduating from last years team, really looking forward to the new faces we have coming in this spring and seeing who steps up as our new leaders for the season! Excited for this spring to get here! Go Bucks!" - Joe Juza



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Team Name: Old Dominion University Division II

Mascot: Monarchs

Location: Norfolk

Captain(s)/Coach(s): David Taylor

2021/2022 NCBA Season Performance:

- 2021/2022 NCBA Season Record: **12-11**
- Final Conference Ranking/Regional Tournament/World Series Results: **Finished 3rd in 2021 in Chesapeake South Conference**
- Notables: **David Taylor, Andrew Dingman, Gavin Levinson, Pascal Roberts, Ryan Corr**

Fall 2022 Performance (If Applicable)

- 2022 Fall Record (NCBA Sanctioned Games Only): **2-4**
- Notables: **David Taylor, Gavin Levinson, Aidan Gay, Andrew Dingman**

Number of Returning Players: 9

Returning Past All Region/NCBA All American Award Winners (Please list player names, specific accolades & years won): N/A

Players to Watch: David Taylor, Gavin Levinson, Andrew Dingman, Aidan Gay, Connor Yates

New additions: Connor Yates, David Limos, Trey Dawson, Sean Egan, Spencer Fillhart, Carson Pardue, Savon Warren, James Thompson, Thomas Thompson, Connor Hejnal

Biggest Rival: James Madison University

Best Player Nickname: Chad

2022-2023 Season Outlook: The Monarchs have a new look on the roster for the 2022-2023 season with the left side of the infield in David Taylor and Gavin Levinson returning as long as the backstop Andrew Dingman and utility player Davin Diesburg returning. The Monarchs have a brand new look on the



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pitching side as pitchers were the biggest add this year with Aidan Gay leading the staff along with Gavin Levinson with new additions of Connor Yates and Spencer Fillhart coming out of the pen for the Monarchs. The outfield is a platoon of guys who are all enter chnagable.

Manager Quote: "I think we have a real chance to do damage this year as our pitching is on another level compared to last year. We have a lot more arms and a much better defense behind the defense. If our bats are rolling, it will be hard to beat us. We just have to play our game and not let the game be bigger than it is.

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Team Name: Virginia Commonwealth University

Mascot: Rams

Location: Richmond, Virginia

Captain(s)/Coach(s):

Anthony Milositz

Anthony Martelino

Tyler Wyatt

Noah Wolf

2021/2022 NCBA Season Performance:

- 2021/2022 NCBA Season Record: 4-8
- Final Conference Ranking/Regional Tournament/World Series Results: N/A
- Notables:
 - Anthony Martelino
 - Will Sherr

Fall 2022 Performance (If Applicable)

- 2022 Fall Record (NCBA Sanctioned Games Only): 1-2
- Notables:
 - Anthony Martelino
 - Will Sherr
 - Tyler Wyatt
 - JT Tierney

Number of Returning Players:

22

Returning Past All Region/NCBA All American Award Winners (Please list player names, specific accolades & years won):

Anthony Martelino: All Region 2021-22

Players to Watch:

Tyler Wyatt

Christian Farrace

New additions:

Jack Kirwin

Dillon Brody

Biggest Rival:

ODU

Best Player Nickname:

Wings

2022-2023 Season Outlook:

The Rams are looking to improve upon successes of last season with the growth and expansion of the team. New additions Jack Kirwin and Dillon Brody add depth and talent to the lineup while returning players: Anthony Milositz, Anthony Martelino, Christian Farrace, and Tyler Wyatt look to use their experience to continue to improve. Continuous improvement and development of the players is the goal for this season to set up following teams to find success.

Manager Quote:

“The veteran players on this team are the backbone of this team and the newcomers are adding life to the lineup making us a strong team. The comradery of the entire team helps us find a groove and keep us moving forward no matter the outcome. This group is special in terms of talent, but also brotherhood.”



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Team Name: Xavier University Division II

Mascot: Musketeers

Location: Cincinnati

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Dylan Mallinson (President) & Cade Dent (Vice President)

2021/2022 NCBA Season Performance:

- 2021/2022 NCBA Season Record: **6-9**
- Final Conference Ranking/Regional Tournament/World Series Results: **5th place in conference**
- Notables: **Colin French, Tom Agonito, Spencer Tracy , Jens Petersen, Nolan Webb**

Fall 2022 Performance (If Applicable)

- 2022 Fall Record (NCBA Sanctioned Games Only): **2-2**
- Notables: Jens Petersen, Brendan Reardon, Spencer Tracy, Julian Wiggins, Patrick Hemmig, Nathaniel Watson

Number of Returning Players: 15

Returning Past All Region/NCBA All American Award Winners (Please list player names, specific accolades & years won): N/A

Players to Watch: Jens Petersen, Spencer Tracy, Julian Wiggins, Tyler Zyla, Patrick Deters, Brendan Reardon, and the majority of the pitching staff returning

New additions: Patrick Deters, Marty Hannon, Brendan Reardon, Caden Weidner

Biggest Rival: Indiana University

Best Player Nickname: Lobstah



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2022-2023 Season Outlook: The Musketeers return 15 of 25 on the roster which includes a few starter and the majority of the pitching staff. In addition, the Musketeers have added three very capable players. New players include Brendan Reardon Freshman Right handed pitcher that is showing strong potential on the mound and at the plate. Sophomore Spencer Tracy had great fall and I looking to build on his strong Freshman season. Senior Jens Petersen highlights the rotation and is looking to build on his strong fall season as the Ace. Another addition to the squad is Marty Hannon a freshman catcher and shortstop. With the majority of pitching staff returning plus the new additions, the Musketeers should be a contender for our division this year.

Manager Quote: “It’s nice to have a majority of the roster returning this year. They are a great group of guys and with he additions of some of the new guys the whole roster is really starting to come together. We hope to build on. A strong fall season, we played close games and had a really solid fall at the plate. I’m very excited to see what thus group of guys can achieve in the spring”.