

WEEKLY ROUNDUP

2018 SOFTBALL

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California Baptist Stays In First With Dixie State Split

PACWEST SOFTBALL STANDINGS

Conf. **GB** Overall Streak No. Team Calif. Baptist (14) 23-5 31-8 Won 1 2. Concordia (RV) 20-6 2.0 38-12 Won 8 Academy of Art 35-12 Won 9 18-6 3.0 Dixie State (6) 20-8 36-8 Lost 2 3.0 Hawai`i Hilo 17-7 4.0 29-13 Won 6 15-13 0.8 32-16 Lost 1 Hawai`i Pacific 14-14 9.0 21-18 Lost 4 Azusa Pacific 12-16 19-24 11.0 Lost 2 Dominican 8-20 15.0 17-31 Lost 1 10. NDNU 7-23 11-40 17.0 Lost 15 11. Chaminade 6-22 17.0 10-30 Lost 7 **Holy Names** 4-24 19.0 4-36 Won 1

IRVINE, Calif. -- Concordia picked up a game on California Baptist in the conference standings by sweeping Dixie State to extend its winning streak to eight games on the season with a 38-12 record overall.

Biola split with the Lancers on Saturday, giving California Baptist just its fifth loss in conference play this year. Biola scored two runs in the top of the 10th inning to break a scoreless tie. **Terri Van Dagens** came back out for her 10th inning and retired three batters in a row to strand runners at the corners to complete the victory. Van Dagens allowed just two hits and struck out 10 batters.

Meanwhile, **Callie Nunes** recorded her third win of the week against Dixie State by allowing just one run over six innings with nine strikeouts to help Concordia make up a game in the standings. The Eagles went on to complete the double-header sweep of the Trailblazers, splitting the season series with a 4-2 win.

Academy of Art moved up to third place in the standings at just three games behind California Baptist after earning a fourgame sweep of Hawai`i Pacific. The Urban Knights now have a conference-best nine-game active winning streak.

Dixie State is also three games out of first place followed by Hawai`i Hilo at four games behind in fifth place. All five teams are competing for a spot in the NCAA West Regional Tournament and are ranked among the top nine in the region. Concordia leads in second place in the region.

NCAA Regional Rankings

Week 1					
Rank	Team	In-Region	<u>Overall</u>		
1	Chico State	39-3	39-3		
2	Concordia	32-12	32-12		
3	California Baptist	27-7	27-7		
4	Dixie State	31-6	34-6		
5	UC San Diego	27-14	27-14		
6	Cal State San Bernardino	23-15	23-15		
7	Central Washington	24-11	25-11		
8	Hawai`i Hilo	25-13	25-13		
9	Academy of Art	30-11	31-12		
10	Stanislaus State	25-18	25-18		

Week 13 Preview

The battle for qualification to the NCAA West Regional heats up next week as teams look to strengthen their case for a playoff spot with two weeks left in the regular season.

The top eight teams in the West Region will advance and Academy of Art was ranked ninth last Wednesday in the regional poll. The Urban Knights then swept Hawai'i Pacific and has a key home doubleheader on Tuesday against Hawai'i Hilo, who is ranked eighth in the region. The Urban Knights will then host Holy Names on Sunday.

Hawai`i Hilo will only have one other chance to make its case for a playoff spot, playing at Chaminade next week before the conclusion of the regular season.

California Baptist and Concordia are both looking for a chance to host the regional, which is rewarded to each of the top-two seeds. Concordia is currently in the second position, but the teams will meet head-to-head on Tuesday. Concordia is currently two games behind in the conference standings and is looking for a chance to move into a tie for first place, while California Baptist is trying to defend its lead. Concordia will also have a tough doubleheader on Saturday at Biola, who just split with California Baptist last week.

PACWEST PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

PLAYER OF THE WEEK



Amy Eilefson, Concordia 1B, Sr., 5-10 -- Anaheim, Calif.

Eilefson helped Concordia win all six games last week to improve to 38-12 on the season, including two wins over No. 6 Dixie State to split the season series. Eilefson recorded nine hits, including a double and a home run to lead the Eagles' offense. The senior drove in 10 runs, including eight in the final three games. Eilefson hit a 2-run home run in the opening win against Cal State San Marcos. She later drove in three runs in Concordia's 9-1 win over Dixie State, going 2 for 4 with a double. She now has

11 home runs on the season and is batting .290 with 38 RBIs. The Eagles are now on an eight-game winning streak and Eilefson has a win in all of those games. She also had three multi-hit games to wrap up the week.

PITCHER OF THE WEEK



Callie Nunes, Concordia RHP, Fr., 5-5 -- Modesto, Calif.

Nunes earned three wins and a save in four outings last week as Concordia extended its winning streak to eight games. Nunes started the week with a two-hit shutout with 12 strikeouts against Azusa Pacific. In the next game of the doubleheader Nunes recorded five outs to earn her second win of the day, striking out two batters. Against No. 6 Dixie State, Nunes threw six innings with only one run allowed and nine strikeouts for her 22nd win of her freshman campaign. She came back in the next

game for a five-out save, her seventh of the year. She now has a 0.56 ERA this year and a 22-3 record. The freshman struck out 27 batters with just two walks to reach 258 strikeouts on the season.

FRESHMAN OF THE WEEK



Brooke Larsen, Academy of Art RHP, Fr., 5-6 -- Sacramento, Calif.

Larsen threw two complete games against Hawai'i Pacific to improve to 19-3 on the season. The freshman started with a one-hit shutout to preserve a 1-0 victory. In the next game, she struck out eight batters and only allowed two earned runs for a 7-3 win. She brought her ERA on the season down to 1.10 with 183 strikeouts. At the plate, Larsen went 3 for 12 with a double and a run. She now has a .369 batting average in her freshman season. Academy of Art has the longest active winning

streak in the PacWest at nine games, moving ahead of Dixie State for third place in the conference standings. The four-game sweep of the Sharks boosts Academy of Art's record to 35-12 on the season.

2018 PACWEST PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

Player of the Week

Feb. 5 Ryann Ferguson, CUI Feb. 12 Janessa Bassett, DSU Feb. 19 Janessa Bassett, DSU Feb. 26 Hailey Boyett, BU Mar. 5 Selina Sherlin, BU Mar. 12 Areana Ramos, BU Mar. 19 Hannah Thieroff, CBU Mar. 26 Brooke Larsen, ART U Apr. 2 Janessa Bassett, DSU Apr. 9 Caitlyn Lloyd, CBU

Apr. 16 Brittany Galvez, CBU

PREVIOUS WINNERS

	Ph	REVIOUS WINNERS				
Pitcher of the Week			Freshman of the Week			
	Feb. 5	Callie Nunes, CUI	Feb. 5	Brooke Larsen, ART U		
	Feb. 12	Callie Nunes, CUI	Feb. 12	Brooke Larsen, ART U		
	Feb. 19	Cambrie Hazel, DSU	Feb. 19	Brooke Larsen, ART U		
	Feb. 26	Ciara Stapp, CBU	Feb. 26	Cambrie Hazel, DSU		
	Mar. 5	Cambrie Hazel, DSU	Mar. 5	Paige Austin, BU		
	Mar. 12	Kellye Springstead, CBU	Mar. 12	Callie Nunes, CUI		
	Mar. 19	Ciara Stapp, CBU	Mar. 19	Brooke Larsen, ART U		
	Mar. 26	Callie Nunes, CUI	Mar. 26	Jackie Najera, CUH		
	Apr. 2	Cambrie Hazel, DSU	Apr. 2	Brooke Larsen, ART U		
	Apr. 9	Cambrie Hazel, DSU	Apr. 9	Brooke Larsen, ART U		
	Apr. 16	Cyanne Fernandez, UHH	Apr. 16	Callie Nunes, CUI		

PACWEST SCHEDULE/RESULTS

LAST WEEK'S GAMES

Tuesday, April 16

Azusa Pacific 8, Notre Dame de Namur 0 Azusa Pacific 8, Notre Dame de Namur 0

Wednesday, April 18

Concordia 5, Cal State San Marcos 3 Concordia 5, Cal State San Marcos 0

Thursday, April 19

Hawai`i Pacific 8, Holy Names 0 Hawai`i Pacific 8, Holy Names 0

Friday, April 20

Concordia 1, Azusa Pacific 0 Concordia 9, Azusa Pacific 4 Dixie State 3, Biola 1 Dixie State 5, Biola 4

Saturday, April 21

Hawai`i Hilo 6, NDNU 1
Hawai`i Hilo 9, NDNU 4
Academy of Art 1, Hawai`i Pacific 0
Academy of Art 2, Hawai`i Pacific 1
Biola 2, California Baptist 0
California Baptist 3, Biola 2
Concordia 9, Dixie State 1
Concordia 4, Dixie State 2
Dominican 6, Holy Names 5
Holy Names 5, Dominican 2

Sunday, April 22

Hawai`i Hilo 6. NDNU 4 Hawai`i Hilo 11, NDNU 0 Academy of Art 7, Hawai`i Pacific 3 Academy of Art 4, Hawai`i Pacific 0

THIS WEEK'S GAMES Tuesday, April 24

Hawai'i Hilo at Academy of Art, Noon* California Baptist at Concordia, 2 p.m.

Friday, April 20

Dominican at Concordia, 2 p.m.* Azusa Pacific at Biola, 4 p.m.*

Saturday, April 21

Concordia at Biola, Noon* Dominican at Azusa Pacific, Noon* NDNU at Holy Names, Noon* Chaminade at Hawai`i Pacific, Noon*

Sunday, April 22

Holy Names at Academy of Art, Noon*

*Indicates Doubleheader

NFCA COACHES' TOP 25

Week 8 - April 11

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Rank	Team	W-L	Prev,			
1	Colorado Mesa (16)	34-0	1			
2	North Georgia	43-2	2			
3	Chico State	35-3	3			
4	Palm Beach Atlantic	27-3	4			
5	Southern Arkansas	36-4	5			
6	Dixie State	32-4	7			
7	Texas A&M-Commerc	e 32-4	6			
8	North Alabama	34-4	8			
9	Angelo State	33-6	10			
10	Winona State	28-4	9			
11	Lenoir-Rhyne	36-5	12			
12	Grand Valley State	23-5	15			
13	West Texas A&M	30-6	13			
14	California Baptist	26-5	17			
15	Indianapolis	26-8	11			
16	Tarleton State	37-7	18			
17	West Florida	22-13	14			
18	Sonoma State	24-13	25			
19	Arkansas Tech	33-11	RV			
20	Saint Leo	31-10	24			
21	Augustana (S.D.)	26-8	16			
22	UAH	26-10	RV			
23	Queens (N.C.)	31-9	22			
24	UC San Diego	23-10	21			
25	Illinois-Springfield	27-10	RV			

RECEIVING VOTES: Merrimack,

Harding, Valdosta State, Embry Riddle, Concordia, Southern New Hampshire, Anderson, Colorado Christian, Minnesota State, McKendree, West Virginia Wesleyan, Washburn

Next Poll: April 25

PACWEST LEADERS IN NATIONAL STATISTICS

TEAM STATS (as of April 19)				INDIVIDUAL STATS (as of April 19)				
Stat	Team	Rank	Avg.	Stat	Player	Team	Rank	Avg.
Batting Average	Dixie State	28th	.331	Batting Average	Hannah Thieroff	CBU	14th	.476
Earned Run Avg.	California Baptist	4th	1.53	Home Runs	Hannah Thieroff	CBU	6th	0.43
Fielding Pct.	Concordia	18th	97.0	Triples	Janessa Bassett	DSU	14th	0.18
Runs	Dixie State	6th	8.03	Doubles	Jackie Najera	CUH	18th	0.45
Home Runs	California Baptist	4th	1.59	Runs Batted In	Hannah Thieroff	CBU	8th	1.41
Doubles	Dixie State	14th	1.83	Runs	Janessa Bassett	DSU	6th	1.54
Triples	Hawai`i Pacific	43rd	0.29	Slugging Pct.	Hannah Thieroff	CBU	5th	1.029
Stolen Bases	Dixie State	17th	2.33	Stolen Bases	M. Schumacher	DUC	7th	0.86
Slugging Pct.	California Baptist	6th	.579	Earned Run Avg.	Callie Nunes	CUI	1st	0.53
On-base Pct.	Dixie State	13th	.430	Strikeouts Per 7	Callie Nunes	CUI	2nd	11.2