



The Best in the Game. The Future of the Game.

Alliance Fastpitch History

Overview

Alliance Fastpitch is a national organization designed to bring together the youth fastpitch softball community under a unified, athlete-focused structure. Established in 2020, the Alliance emphasizes collaboration, competition, development, and accountability.

Founding Purpose

The organization was born out of a desire to address fragmentation in youth softball. Prior to the Alliance, teams and organizations operated largely in silos, often lacking consistent rules, rankings, or pathways for athlete development. Recognizing the need for a more cohesive and sustainable ecosystem, a group of forward-thinking coaches, event organizers, and stakeholders came together to build something new.

Key Objectives

- Unify the sport through regional and national structures.
- Prioritize athlete experience with meaningful competitions and developmental resources.
- Promote transparency and accountability for players, coaches, and teams.
- Support long-term growth of the sport from grassroots to elite levels.

Structure and Model

The Alliance is composed of multiple Member Leagues—regionally based competitive leagues that follow shared standards, rules, and point systems. These leagues culminate in a National Championship Series (NCS) where the best teams from across the country compete.

Each Member League has autonomy to serve its region while aligning with national Alliance standards. The unified point system allows for nationwide rankings and ensures competitive consistency.



Welcome Letter

Dear Athletes, Families, and Fastpitch Community,

Welcome to the 2026 Alliance All-Star Team Announcement and congratulations to the top 40 seniors selected as this year's Alliance All-Stars! The Alliance Fastpitch team is honored to welcome you into one of the most exclusive and elite groups in our sport.

Now in its Sixth year, the Alliance All-Star Game, presented by EvoShield, continues to represent the pinnacle of individual achievement in the Alliance Fastpitch. This year's game will be played on Sunday, July 19th at Kokomo High School in Indiana during our Alliance Fastpitch Championship Series and will be streamed live on ESPN+, bringing national visibility to your talent, hard work, and dedication.

Becoming an All-Star is no small feat. You were selected through a year-long evaluation process that began with a Fall Watch List and involved collaboration from travel ball coaches, college recruiters, and our All-Star Committee. After extensive conversations and consideration, 40 seniors were chosen for their ability to compete at the highest level in every position, from power hitters to elite slappers, ace pitchers to defensive anchors.

Over the last five years, we have watched our All-Stars become National College Player of the Year, National Freshman of the Year, Conference Freshman/Pitcher/Player of the Year, multiple Player of the Year and Freshman of the Year finalists, and National Champions. In 2025, Alliance All-Stars took home every major National Award - National Player of the Year (Bri Ellis), National Freshman of the Year (Taylor Shumaker), and WCWS Most Outstanding Player (Teagan Kavan). You're not just part of a team. You are a part of a legacy.

This year's All-Star Class represents 22 organizations, 20 states, and an impressive 29 different colleges. From National Honor Society members and Valedictorians to multi-sport state champions and community leaders, this group exemplifies excellence both on and off the field.

All-Star Weekend kicks off on Saturday, July 19th, leading into Sunday's game. It's more than a showcase. It is a celebration of your journey, your teammates, your families, and the entire Alliance Fastpitch community that's supported you every step of the way.

We can't wait to celebrate you in Kokomo.

The Alliance Fastpitch Team

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Event Schedule

Athletes Arrive at Kokomo High School



1:30

The Player Drip Entrance will open at 1:30 for our athletes to get the All-American treatment they have earned. Additional gear and athlete gifts are staged in the locker room and dugouts. Team photos will be taken on the field, and lunch will be provided.

Skills Challenges

Beginning at 2:30, the All-Stars will compete in a series of skills challenges, with the finals set to begin at 3:45.

2:30



Warm-ups Begin

Cages will open for All-Star hitters, and the back field is available for warm-ups. The American Team will use the 1st floor, while the National Team will warm up on the 2nd floor.

4:30



Cages Open for Pitchers and Defensive Lines Begin

Cages are now open for pitchers. The American Team will use the 1st floor, and the National Team will use the 2nd floor. Defensive lines are to follow at 5:30 on the stadium.

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5:30



Lineup Announcements

The lineups will be announced on the field for the American and National teams. The announcements will be followed by the National Anthem before the first pitch.

5:45



First Pitch

The first pitch is set for 6:00, barring any delays. The game will be broadcasted on ESPN+. For more details, visit page (FILL IN).

6:00



The All-Star Selection Process

The Alliance All-Stars are selected by the National All-Star Committee, led by Derek Allister, founder of OnDeck Softball, and composed of representatives from each of the nine Alliance Member Leagues. The selection process kicks off in the fall with an initial Watch List, which is then narrowed down to League All-Star Teams. From these teams, the final Alliance All-Star roster is chosen. All selected athletes must be active members of Alliance Fastpitch.

Throughout the season, the National All-Star Committee carefully evaluates multiple criteria to determine the final All-Star selections. The committee collaborates closely with college coaches to gain insights on athletes they've signed or recruited. To ensure a fair and thorough process, input is also gathered from travel ball coaches, and internal cross-checks are conducted. League voting plays a key role in narrowing down the pool of candidates.

The final roster is built with balance in mind, focusing on primary positions and standout performers from the League All-Star lists. Considerations include pitching and catching depth, defensive and offensive strengths, and overall versatility. Outfielders are evaluated for both power and defensive range, while the infield is composed of middle infielders, corner players, and utility athletes. All selected players are committed to begin their collegiate softball careers at NCAA Division I programs this fall. Every Power 4 conference (formerly Power 5) is represented, with the SEC leading the way with 17 athletes, followed by the Big 12 with nine.

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American Team Roster



#2 Annie Newman



#2 Reagan Rohrligh



#3 Gabby Nevarez



#4 McLaine Hudson



#4 Ryleigh Perks



#7 Macie Dever Boaz



#7 Presley Kilgore



#8 Taylor Hampton



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Humphreys



#10 Brooklyn Gidley



#10 Paige Stanfields



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#19 Katelynn Knight



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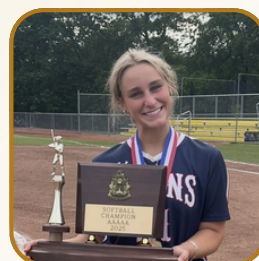
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#2 Alexi Thigpen



#2 Peyton May



#3 Kali Bogart



#5 Aubrey Portie



#6 Molly Hancock



#8 Alyssa Torres



#8 Kinleigh Russell



#10 Aliyah Garcia



#13 Lucy Thompson



#22 Abreya Perry



#24 Kennedy Bradley



#27 Peyton Valentines



#30 Grace Swedarsky



#33 Brooklyn Paratore



#33 Keegan Baker



#36 Lily Duffill



#42 Madalyn Davis



#46 Shelby Southard



#67 EK Smith



#71 Kale'a Tindal

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All-Star History

The Alliance Fastpitch was officially formed in the summer of 2020, but the story began two years prior as a shared desire for change emerged among leaders in youth fastpitch. This collection of individuals - ranging from club directors to coaches and former athletes - had a vision to work together and put the athlete back at the forefront of all decision-making. The founders believed teams needed equal access to resources and an equal opportunity to earn berths to National Championship play. They believed that working together off the field would actually make us stronger, and that merging our efforts and creating one central hub was the solution to sustainable growth in the sport.

We started with the statement, "Together, we are the Alliance Fastpitch." Rivals and competitors decided to work together off the field to achieve the same goals, challenge current trends, and create more equality to move our sport forward. Our regional leagues embody the spirit of collaboration and competition, where 'rival' clubs work together to meet the needs of their region and act as spokespeople on a National level.

Our Core Values

What we believe. What we live by.

- 1** We put the athlete first.
- 2** We focus on player development and recognition.
- 3** We understand coach development is an important part of player development.
- 4** We encourage collaboration and cooperation between associations, leagues, events, teams, coaches and athletes.
- 5** We ask ourselves, 'Is this what's best for the athlete and the game?'
- 6** We strive to connect all generations of the game.
- 7** We support professional softball and National Team Programs.



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Alumni Player Spotlights



Nijaree Canady

Nija Canady's softball journey began with the Alliance Fastpitch, where she emerged as an All-Star and one of the most promising young arms in the game. Her dominance on the field carried seamlessly into her collegiate career, where she became one of the most decorated pitchers of her era.

Canady began her college career at Stanford University, where she was named the 2023 NFCA National Freshman of the Year and Pac-12 Freshman of the Year, quickly earning national recognition for her power, poise, and precision in the circle. She went on to become a 3× NFCA All-American and the back-to-back NFCA Pitcher of the

Year in 2024 and 2025, an achievement that placed her among the all-time greats.

In 2025, Canady transferred to Texas Tech University and elevated the Red Raiders to historic heights. During the 2026 season, she led Texas Tech to one of the best seasons in program history, finishing with a 34-7 record, a 1.11 ERA, and 319 strikeouts while continuing to dominate the nation's best hitters. Her leadership and consistency further solidifying her legacy as one of the premier pitchers in college softball.

From her roots at the Alliance Fastpitch to the pinnacle of college softball, Nina Canady exemplifies what it means to rise through the ranks with grit, excellence, and purpose.

Teagan Kavan

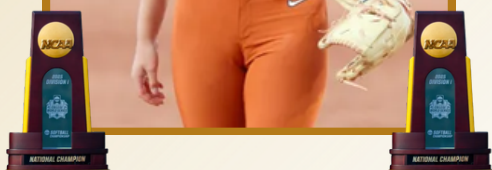
Teagan Kavan's rise to the top of collegiate softball began with the Alliance Fastpitch, where she was recognized early on as an All-Star with elite-level talent and composure beyond her years. That foundation paved the way for one of the most decorated seasons in recent NCAA history.

As a standout pitcher for the University of Texas, Teagan helped lead the Longhorns to the 2025 & 2026 National Championship, anchoring the team's success with dominant outings throughout the postseason. Her performance in Oklahoma City earned her the ultimate honor: Most Outstanding Player of the Women's College World Series both years, a testament to her poise, power, and presence on the sport's biggest stage.



In addition to national recognition, Teagan was named an NFCA All-American in 2025 & 2026, further solidifying her place among the game's elite. With a fierce competitive edge and unwavering focus, she continues to represent the very best of what the Alliance Fastpitch develops: leaders, competitors, and champions.

From her beginnings as an Alliance All-Star to becoming the face of college softball's biggest moment, Teagan Kavan has proven she's built for greatness.



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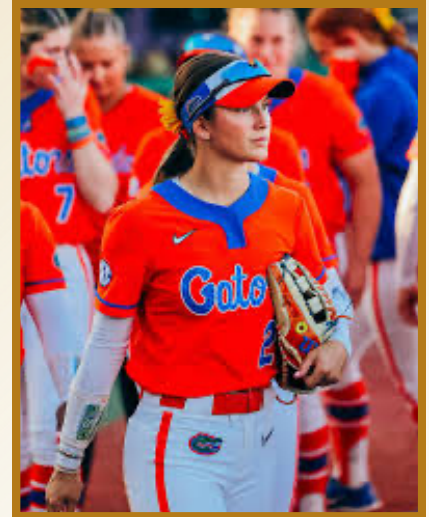
Bri Ellis

Bri Ellis's softball journey began as an Alliance Fastpitch All-Star, and her path since has been nothing short of remarkable. Known for her explosive bat and commanding presence at the plate, Bri quickly became one of the most feared hitters in college softball. She began her collegiate career at Auburn University, where she earned SEC Freshman of the Year honors in 2022 and made a name for herself as a top national talent. Later transferring to the University of Arkansas, she continued her dominance in the SEC, earning All-SEC honors and national recognition for her leadership and power hitting.

In 2025, Bri capped off her collegiate career by being named the USA Softball Collegiate Player of the Year, one of the highest honors in the sport. That same year, she was also named an NFCA All-American, cementing her place among the game's elite. Now playing professionally, Bri Ellis serves as a shining example of what it means to grow through the Alliance Fastpitch system—fueled by talent, built through hard work, and defined by excellence.

Taylor Shumaker

Taylor Shumaker is a shining example of what it means to rise through the ranks of the Alliance Fastpitch system and make a national impact. A graduate of the OC Batbusters Stith program, Shumaker helped lead her team to an Alliance Fastpitch National Championship in 2023 and earned Alliance Fastpitch All-Star honors in 2024. Her dominance continued at the collegiate level, where she made an immediate splash as a freshman outfielder for the University of Florida. In her debut season, Shumaker was named the 2025



NFCA Division I Freshman of the Year, as well as Softball America's Freshman of the Year. In her sophomore season, Shumaker elevated her game even further, earning 2026 First Team All-SEC, NFCA Second Team All-America, and multiple national All-America honors. She led the SEC in batting average while ranking among the nation's leaders in hits, runs scored, and total bases, cementing herself as one of the elite offensive players in college softball.

Taylor's journey from Alliance Fastpitch standout to collegiate star is a testament to her work ethic, talent, and the strength of the developmental pipeline she came through.



American Team Introductions



#2 Annie Newman

Annie Newman brings intensity, discipline, and purpose to every game she plays. A standout for Sluggers Huecker-Norwood and a future Kentucky Wildcat, Newman has always dreamed of representing her home state at the next level. Inspired by her older sisters and fueled by her faith, she hopes to leave a legacy of hard work while inspiring the next generation to love the game. Off the field, Annie enjoys hunting with her dad, spending time with family and friends, and is pursuing a future in elementary education.



#2 Reagan Rohrllich

Reagan Rohrllich is known for giving 100% effort every time she steps on the field. A longtime standout for Impact Gold Jackson 18U and future Texas A&M Aggie, Rohrllich has built her game around speed, toughness, and being a great teammate. Inspired by former Impact Gold standout Koko Wooley, Reagan's work ethic extends beyond softball, where she also excelled as a standout track athlete and school record holder. After overcoming open-heart surgery at just seven years old, she has become a resilient competitor who hopes to be remembered for her relentless effort, leadership, and positive impact on those around her.



#3 Gabby Nevarez

Nevarez is a poised competitor who pairs a calm presence with a fierce competitive spirit every time she takes the field. A standout for Firecrackers Select Rico/Brashear and future Arizona Wildcat, Nevarez comes from a family deeply rooted in the sport—her mother was a national champion at UCLA, and her grandfather is a USA Softball Hall of Fame coach. She hopes to be remembered as a hardworking teammate who inspires the next generation to love the game while reminding them that softball is something you do, not who you are.



#4 McLaine Hudson

McLaine Hudson is a driven competitor whose grit, determination, and love for the game shine every time she takes the field. A standout for Louisville Lady Sluggers-Huecker/Norwood and future Florida State Seminole, Hudson has excelled both athletically and academically as a four-time Academic All-State selection. McLaine hopes to be remembered as a player who competed relentlessly and respected the sport. After being named Kentucky Gatorade Player of the Year, she used the award's \$1,000 community grant to support Hardwood Heroes, helping provide jerseys and expand opportunities for athletes to participate.

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#4 Ryleigh Perks

Perks is a smooth, dependable infielder known for her consistency, strong defense, and relentless work ethic. A standout for Starz Gold Bunn 18U and future Virginia Tech Hokie, Perks has built her game on resilience after overcoming a serious shoulder injury that ended her pitching career and required months of rehabilitation before transitioning to the middle infield. Inspired by players like Isa Torres, she hopes to be remembered as a coachable teammate who always strived to improve while bringing confidence and consistency to every game.



#7 Macie Dever Boaz

Macie Dever Boaz found her calling behind the plate at just eight years old after her grandfather unexpectedly put her in at catcher during a game—a moment that sparked a lifelong passion for the position. The Impact Gold Jackson 18U standout is committed to the University of Arkansas, where she hopes to continue growing as both a player and person in a family-like environment. Driven by her faith and a desire to inspire others, Macie dreams of playing professionally so she can use the platform to encourage young athletes, share the love of Christ, and prove that hard work always pays off.



#7 Presley Kilgore

Kilgore brings a strong sense of purpose to everything she does, striving to compete with excellence while keeping her faith at the center of her journey. The Texas Glory 18U standout and future Texas A&M Aggie has excelled both on the field and in the classroom, serving as National Honor Society President while maintaining A Honor Roll honors. Inspired by athletes like Kinzie Hansen and Grace Lyons, Presley hopes to become the kind of role model younger players can look up to—someone who proves that with hard work, faith, and perseverance, any dream is within reach.



#8 Taylor Hampton

Taylor Hampton discovered her love for softball by tagging along to her dad's slow-pitch games, and his unwavering support has played a major role in helping her achieve her dream of competing at the next level. The Impact Gold Jackson 18U standout and Texas A&M commit is excited to embrace the Aggie culture while continuing to grow on and off the field. A PGF National Champion, Hampton values the friendships and memories the game has given her and hopes to leave a lasting impact by setting a new standard for those who follow.

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#9 Emmaline Humphreys

Humphreys has never let adversity define her journey. After tearing her ACL during high school, she spent a year attacking rehabilitation before earning a spot at Stanford University, where the coaching staff believed in her long before she returned to full strength. The CO Batbusters National 18U standout is passionate about competing at the highest level while making every teammate feel valued and supported. Whether in the circle or the dugout, Humphreys hopes to be remembered for the way she cared for others and for the genuine love she brought to the game every day.



#10 Brooklyn Gidley

Brooklyn Gidley has made the most of every opportunity to compete at the highest level, helping Texas Bombers Gold capture an 18U National Championship while earning Alliance All-Tournament Team honors every year she has competed. The future Florida Gator was drawn to Gainesville by its welcoming culture and strong team environment, where she hopes to continue growing both on and off the field. Whether she's competing on the diamond or inspiring the next generation, Gidley wants to encourage young athletes to enjoy the game, stay resilient through adversity, and keep chasing their dreams.



#10 Paige Stanfield

Paige Stanfield has excelled across multiple sports, becoming a Kansas 6A State Champion in the javelin while also setting school records in basketball and track. The Fury Platinum X standout chose the University of Alabama because of its family atmosphere and championship tradition, where she plans to continue developing as both a student and athlete. Inspired by her older sister, Paige values leadership and teamwork above all else, and she hopes to leave a legacy of inspiring young athletes to chase their dreams while being remembered as a great teammate.



#13 Anabela Abdullah

Abdullah has embraced every opportunity the game has given her, from winning an Alliance National Championship to representing Team USA on the 18U Junior Women's National Team. The Bombers Gold 18U-Smith standout and future Texas Longhorn chose Austin for its culture, player development, and family atmosphere as she continues pursuing her dream of competing on the Olympic stage. Coming from a family with a strong athletic background, Abdullah hopes to be remembered as an exciting player to watch, an outstanding teammate, and someone who always brought energy and joy to the game.

American Team Introductions



#19 Katelynn Knight

"KK" Knight has built her game around leadership, determination, and a relentless drive to improve. The Athletics Madden/Davis National 18U standout and future Missouri Tiger was drawn to Mizzou's winning culture and is excited to continue developing under its coaching staff. Growing up in a family of collegiate athletes, Knight has always been inspired to compete at the highest level and dreams of one day playing professionally. Whether she's behind the plate or in the dugout, she hopes to be remembered as a leader who made everyone around her better.



#20 Madi Doty

Madi Doty has established herself as one of the top pitchers in the country, helping lead her high school team to four consecutive state tournament appearances while building a reputation for her poise and dominance in the circle. The Texas Glory standout chose the University of Texas to continue her career under renowned pitching coach Mike White, with aspirations of one day playing professionally. Inspired by Jennie Finch, Doty hopes to use her platform to be a positive role model for young athletes and help grow the game of softball.



#21 Maggie Krause

Maggie Krause thrives in high-pressure moments, embracing the challenges that come with competing at the highest level. The Louisville Lady Sluggers standout chose the University of Tennessee for its family atmosphere and commitment to excellence both on the field and in the classroom. Inspired by the support of her father and the example set by pitchers she admired growing up, Krause values being a dependable teammate above all else and hopes to be remembered as someone her team could always count on when the game was on the line.



#22 Avery Tucker

Avery Tucker took an unconventional path to becoming one of the nation's top softball recruits, balancing elite careers in both softball and lacrosse before ultimately choosing the diamond. The Texas Bombers Gold standout and future Ole Miss Rebel was drawn to the opportunity to compete in the SEC and hopes to one day represent Team Canada after spending two years on its Junior National Team. Coming from a family of accomplished athletes, Tucker prides herself on giving maximum effort every time she steps on the field and wants to be remembered as a player who was always a tough out and competed with everything she had.

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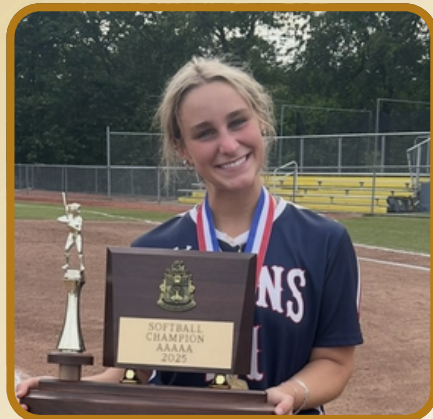
#27 Jayden Kleiner

Jayden Kleiner has embraced every opportunity the game has provided, from representing Team Israel on the international stage to preparing for her future at the University of Michigan. A longtime standout for Indiana Magic Gold, Kleiner values competing alongside elite athletes while helping grow the game for the next generation through her involvement with the Alliance Player Advisory Committee. She hopes to leave a lasting impact by mentoring younger players and creating the same positive opportunities that shaped her own softball journey.



#27 Lauren Howard

Lauren Howard has built her game around speed, athleticism, and relentless effort, becoming one of Pennsylvania's top prospects. The Team Pennsylvania standout chose the University of Virginia for its combination of elite academics and athletics, where she plans to pursue a career in health sciences with the goal of becoming an orthopedic doctor. Inspired by the support of her older sister, Lauren values being a positive teammate and hopes to be remembered as someone who always competed with a smile while bringing energy to everyone around her.



#33 Bria Bosiljevac

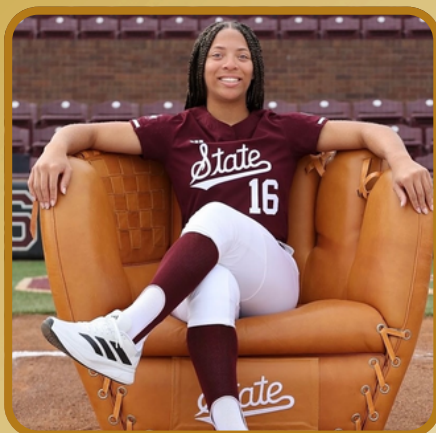
Bosiljevac has built her career on grit, perseverance, and unwavering faith. The Unity Torres Slezak standout and future Indiana Hoosier chose Indiana because it felt like the place God was calling her, giving her confidence both on and off the field. Beyond softball, Bria hopes to inspire the next generation by showing that faith, hard work, and resilience can overcome any obstacle. She dreams of one day playing professionally and proving that success isn't defined by velocity alone, but by determination, preparation, and trusting the process.



#33 Liliana Escobar

Escobar has embraced every opportunity to challenge herself, both on the field and in the classroom. The OC Batbusters standout and future Florida Gator is pursuing a pre-med path while participating in a medical shadowing program, with aspirations of becoming a surgeon after her softball career. Inspired by Montana Fouts and motivated by a relentless work ethic, Escobar hopes to one day play professionally and be remembered as a dominant pitcher who earned every success through determination and hard work.

National Team Introductions



#2 Alexi Thigpen

Alexi Thigpen has built her game around speed, determination, and a fearless approach in the outfield. The future Mississippi State Bulldog was drawn to Starkville by its family atmosphere and sees it as the perfect place to continue growing as both a student-athlete and future engineer. Whether she's chasing down fly balls or creating opportunities on the bases, Thigpen hopes to be remembered not only for her play, but for the energy, positivity, and support she brought to every team she was part of.



#2 Peyton May

Peyton has been chasing her softball dreams from a young age, setting her sights on playing for Coach Marty Tyson long before she ever joined the Corona Angels. That determination has carried her to Oklahoma State, where she found the perfect fit both on and off the field. Inspired by pitchers like Megan Faraimo, May approaches the game with confidence and composure while striving to make everyone around her better. She hopes to leave a legacy as a positive teammate who competed with passion, supported those around her, and inspired others to remember that softball is something you play—not who you are.



#3 Kali Bogart

Kali has enjoyed success across multiple sports, earning state championships in cheer and flag football before becoming one of the nation's top softball prospects. The Aces Fastpitch standout chose Nebraska because of its inspiring coaching staff and championship culture, where she looks forward to continuing her development. Although she loves to compete and dreams of playing at the highest level, Bogart believes her greatest accomplishment will be the positive impact she leaves on others, hoping to be remembered as someone who brought encouragement, energy, and joy to every team she was part of.



#5 Aubrey Portie

Aubrey Portie took an unconventional path to her future at the University of Texas, stepping away from a college volleyball commitment to pursue the sport she ultimately felt called to play. The Aces Fastpitch standout is fueled by her love of competition and was drawn to Texas' championship culture, where she hopes to continue growing on the biggest stage in college softball. Whether on the diamond or in the show ring with her cattle, Portie embraces every challenge with determination and hopes to be remembered as a teammate who competed relentlessly, inspired younger players, and made everyone around her better.

National Team Introductions



#6 Molly Hancock

Molly Hancock has balanced excellence on the field and in the classroom throughout her career, graduating high school with an associate degree while earning a spot at Liberty University. The Louisville Lady Sluggers standout was drawn to Liberty's faith-centered culture and coaching staff, where she plans to continue growing as both an athlete and person. Guided by a team-first mindset, Hancock hopes to be remembered as someone who did whatever it took to help her team succeed while making a positive impact on everyone around her.



#8 Alyssa Torres

Torres has established herself as one of California's premier power hitters, breaking her county's single-season home run record with 22 long balls while earning a commitment to Arizona State. The Corona Angels Tyson Gold standout chose the Sun Devils because of the family atmosphere and supportive culture she felt from the moment she stepped on campus. While she dreams of playing professionally and internationally, Torres is equally passionate about bringing energy to every team she's on, hoping to be remembered as both a dominant catcher and one of the game's biggest supporters on and off the field.



#8 Kinleigh Russell

Kinleigh Russell has developed into a versatile player who embraces every opportunity to compete against the best. The Fury Platinum X standout chose Oklahoma State for its championship culture and close-knit team environment, where she hopes to continue chasing national titles while growing as both a player and person. Inspired by athletes she admired growing up, Russell values hard work, consistency, and being a teammate others can depend on. Off the field, she plans to pursue a career as a high school history teacher, continuing to make an impact long after her playing days are over.



#10 Aliyah Garcia

Aliyah Garcia has overcome adversity with resilience, proving that setbacks don't define a player's future. After suffering a torn labrum during a crucial recruiting summer, the Firecrackers Select Rico/Brashear standout worked her way back and ultimately found her home at Oklahoma State, where she was drawn to the program's family atmosphere and competitive culture. Garcia hopes to use softball as a platform to inspire others, advocating for younger athletes while showing that confidence, perseverance, and belief in yourself can carry you through any challenge.

National Team Introductions



#13 Lucy Thompson

Lucy Thompson has excelled in multiple sports, earning recognition as the Colorado Sports Hall of Fame Female Athlete of the Year while competing at the highest levels in both softball and flag football. The Colorado Batbusters National standout chose the University of Nebraska after immediately connecting with its family atmosphere and coaching staff, where she looks forward to continuing her athletic journey. Thompson dreams of one day playing professionally overseas while giving back to the game by mentoring young athletes, and she hopes to be remembered for competing with joy, integrity, and kindness every time she stepped on the field.



#22 Abreya Perry

Abreya Perry has proven that big dreams can come from small towns. The Aces Fastpitch standout and future Texas A&M Aggie was drawn to College Station because of its family atmosphere, where she immediately felt at home with the coaches and players. Inspired by the smooth style of Sis Bates and Ashton Maloney, Perry hopes to encourage the next generation by showing that your hometown doesn't define your potential—and that you're always more than the sport you play.



#24 Kennedy Bradley

Bradley has established herself as one of the nation's most accomplished power hitters, becoming the first player in Dallas-Fort Worth high school history to record three consecutive 20-home run seasons while helping lead Melissa High School to back-to-back state championships. The Texas Glory standout chose the University of Florida because of its championship culture and family atmosphere, where she plans to continue pursuing excellence on and off the field. Bradley hopes to leave a legacy of resilience, passion, and leadership, inspiring the next generation to dream big and believe that hard work can turn those dreams into reality.



#27 Peyton Valentines

Peyton Valentine has built her reputation on speed, toughness, and an unwavering competitive spirit. The Impact Gold Jackson 18U standout captured a PGF National Championship before committing to Auburn University, where she was drawn to the program's coaching staff and winning culture. Inspired by her older brother, a professional baseball player, Valentine has set her sights on playing professional softball herself. She hopes to be remembered as a dependable teammate who embraced the biggest moments, brought energy every day, and never backed down from a challenge.

National Team Introductions



#30 Grace Swedarsky

Swedarsky has paired elite performance on the field with excellence in the classroom, earning Summa Cum Laude honors, National Honor Society recognition, and the Seal of Biliteracy before committing to Virginia Tech. The Louisville Lady Sluggers standout chose the Hokies for their balance of top-tier academics and championship-caliber softball, where she plans to study engineering while continuing to compete at the highest level. Whether in the circle or the classroom, Swedarsky is driven by a relentless work ethic and hopes to be remembered as a fierce competitor who never stopped striving to improve.



#33 Brooklyn Paratore

Brooklyn has represented the United States on the international stage, winning three gold medals with the U.S. U-18 Junior Women's National Team and delivering one of the biggest moments of her career with a grand slam against Team China. The Firecrackers Select Leles standout fulfilled a lifelong dream by committing to the University of Washington, a program she admired from a young age and one that always made her feel at home. Looking ahead, Paratore hopes to continue competing for Team USA, pursue a professional career, and ultimately inspire young athletes both on and off the field through her passion, confidence, and love for the game.



#33 Keegan Baker

Baker has built her career on consistency, composure, and a deep love for competing at the highest level. The Oklahoma Athletics Organization standout chose the University of Oklahoma because it immediately felt like home, giving her the opportunity to stay close to family while joining one of the nation's premier softball programs. Guided by her faith and inspired by the coaches and teammates who shaped her journey, Baker hopes to remind young athletes that their identity extends far beyond the game and that success comes from trusting the process and playing for a greater purpose.



#36 Lily Duffill

Lily Duffill has embraced every opportunity to grow through the game, from hitting a memorable walk-off home run in Colorado to preparing for the next chapter of her career at Penn State. The Indiana Magic Gold standout was drawn to the Nittany Lions because of the welcoming culture and belief that the program would help her develop as both a player and person. Inspired by her older brother and driven by a competitive spirit, Duffill hopes to be remembered as the teammate everyone could count on, always putting her team first and making those around her better.

National Team Introductions

#42 Madalyn Davis



Davis has always embraced competition, thriving in environments that push her to be her best. The Impact Gold Jackson 18U standout helped lead Lake Creek High School to a state championship before committing to the University of North Carolina, where she found a program that felt like home from the moment she arrived on campus. Inspired by the work ethic of her father and the discipline of athletes like Simone Biles, Davis approaches every challenge with purpose while balancing her ambitions of becoming a dermatologist. Above all, she hopes to be remembered as a hardworking teammate who made a positive impact on everyone around her.

#46 Shelby Southard



Shelby has built her game on grit, toughness, and an all-out approach to every opportunity. The AI Bandits Breer standout chose the University of Nebraska because of its unmatched family atmosphere and the genuine relationships she built with the coaching staff and players. Looking ahead, Southard dreams of competing professionally and one day representing Team USA on the Olympic stage. No matter where the game takes her, she hopes to be remembered as someone who worked relentlessly, never backed down from a challenge, and gave everything she had to her team.

#67 EK Smith



EK has never let setbacks define her path. Once told she wasn't athletic enough to play at the next level, the Impact Gold Jackson 18U standout continued to work relentlessly until earning her dream opportunity at the University of Oklahoma. Known for her versatility and ability to come through in clutch moments, Smith was drawn to OU's competitive culture and family atmosphere. She hopes to leave a legacy of determination, proving that persistence and belief in yourself can overcome any obstacle while always being the best teammate she can be.

#71 Kale'a Tindal



Tindal has taken full advantage of every opportunity the game has provided, earning a spot on the USA 18U National Team while preparing for the next chapter of her career at Stanford University. The OC Batbusters Stith standout chose Stanford for its unmatched combination of academics and athletics, where she plans to pursue interests in bioengineering and research. A 14U Alliance National Champion, Tindal hopes to be remembered as a selfless teammate who worked tirelessly for those around her while never losing sight of why she fell in love with the game.

American Team Coaches

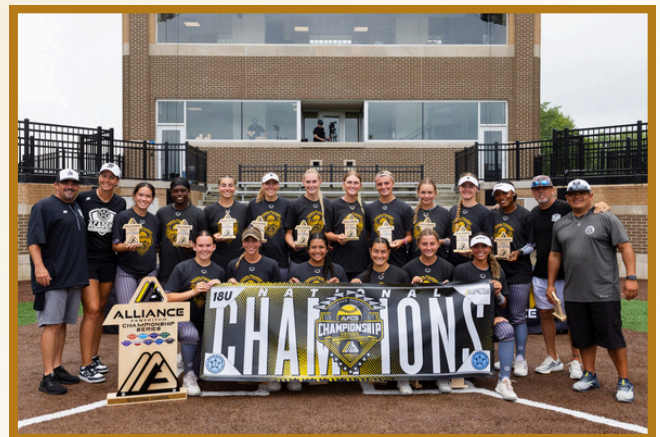


Head Coach: Scott Smith

Scott Smith has established himself as one of the premier coaches in travel softball, building the Texas Bombers organization into a consistent national powerhouse. Known for his commitment to player development and championship culture, Smith has helped guide countless athletes to success at the collegiate level while fostering an environment built on accountability, hard work, and excellence. During the 2025 season, Smith led the Texas Bombers 18U Gold team to an impressive runner-up finish at the Alliance Fastpitch Championship Series (AFCS) before capturing the 2025 Alliance Fastpitch Championship Series 18U National Championship, cementing the program's

place among the nation's elite. His teams are recognized for their discipline, competitiveness, and ability to perform on the biggest stages against the highest level of competition. Beyond the wins and championships, Smith is widely respected for his ability to develop complete athletes, preparing players not only for college softball but for success beyond the game. His emphasis on fundamentals, mental toughness, and character has made him one of the most trusted and accomplished coaches in the travel softball community.

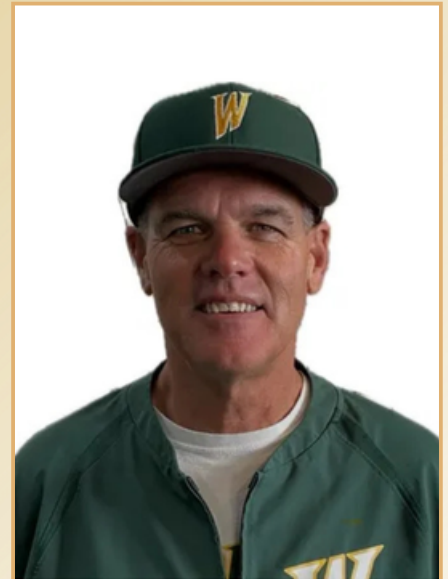
Under Smith's leadership, the Texas Bombers continue to produce top collegiate talent year after year while competing for national championships, making his program one of the most respected and successful organizations in the country. His dedication to growing the game and helping athletes reach their full potential has left a lasting impact on countless players and families throughout the softball community.



American Team Coaches

Assistant Coach: Ray McDonald

Ray McDonald has spent more than 30 years developing elite softball talent and building Warrior Academy into one of the nation's top travel ball programs. In 2025, he led Warrior Academy to the Alliance Fastpitch Championship Series (AFCS) 16U National Championship, continuing his legacy of developing championship teams and preparing athletes for success at the next level.



Assistant Coach: Kayden Henry

Kayden Henry began her softball journey as a standout with Texas Bombers Gold, where she earned Alliance All-Star honors and established herself as one of the nation's top young talents. Her speed, athleticism, and all-around game made her one of the premier recruits in the country before continuing her career at the University of Texas. Since arriving in Austin, Henry has become a key contributor for the Longhorns, helping lead the program to back-to-back Women's College World Series National Championships while earning multiple All-Conference and All-America honors. During the 2026 season, she hit .406 with 10 home runs and 49 RBIs, continuing to showcase her impact as one of the nation's top offensive and defensive players. Known for her elite defense, speed on the bases, and clutch performances, Henry continues to exemplify the excellence, leadership, and competitive spirit that define Alliance Fastpitch athletes..



National Coaches

Head Coach: Ryan Taylor



Ryan Taylor has established himself as one of the most respected coaches in travel softball, building Aces Fastpitch into a nationally recognized program known for developing elite athletes and competing for championships year after year. Throughout his coaching career, Taylor has emphasized player development, accountability, and a team-first culture, helping countless student-athletes achieve their dream of playing at the collegiate level. His ability to prepare athletes for the next stage of their careers while fostering confidence, discipline, and resilience has made Aces Fastpitch one of the premier organizations in the country.

During the 2025 season, Taylor guided Aces Fastpitch to the Alliance Fastpitch Championship Series (AFCS) 18U National Championship, leading a talented roster through one of the nation's toughest postseason tournaments. His team's relentless competitiveness, composure in high-pressure moments, and commitment to playing together were hallmarks of their championship run. The title further solidified Aces Fastpitch's reputation as one of the nation's elite travel softball programs.



National Coaches



Assistant Coach: Kelly Bembry

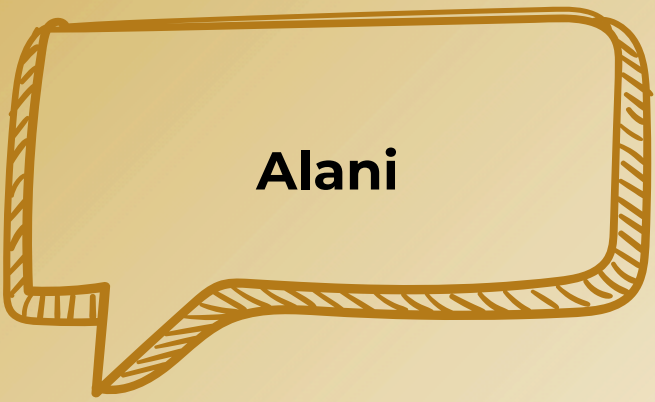
Kelly Bembry has built a reputation for developing highly competitive teams and preparing athletes for success at the next level. In 2025, she guided Impact Gold to a runner-up finish at the Alliance Fastpitch Championship Series (AFCS) 16U National Championship, leading a team that showcased resilience, talent, and a championship mindset throughout the season. Her dedication to player development and excellence continues to make Impact Gold one of the nation's premier travel softball programs.

Assistant Coach: Ella McDowell

Ella McDowell first emerged as one of the nation's top prospects while competing for Impact Gold, earning Alliance All-Star honors and showcasing the power and consistency that made her one of the country's most sought-after recruits. She carried that success to the University of Arkansas, where she quickly developed into one of the SEC's premier offensive threats and a cornerstone of the Razorbacks' lineup. During the 2026 season, McDowell hit .360 with 20 home runs and 63 RBIs, earning NFCA All-America and All-SEC recognition while helping Arkansas compete among the nation's elite. Known for her power at the plate, competitive spirit, and leadership, McDowell continues to be a shining example of the talent developed through Alliance Fastpitch and one of the brightest stars in collegiate softball.



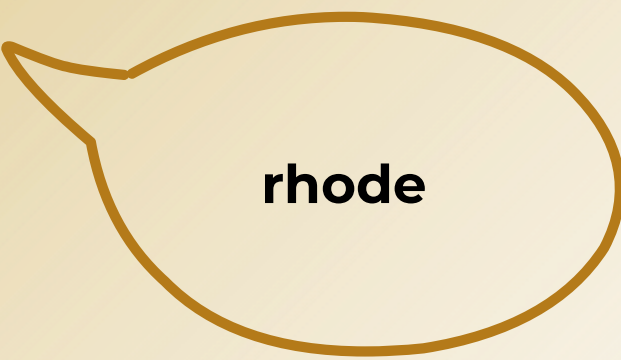
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All-Star Advice to Young Athletes

My advice to young players getting into travel ball is to not let outside noises get to you. What I mean by that is to truly believe in yourself and not let others dampen your dreams. You are your best advocate!

-Brooklyn Paratore

My advice is to enjoy the process, work hard, and don't compare your journey to anyone else's. Stay coachable and open-minded, but most importantly, keep it fun!

-Kennedy Bradley



All-Star Advice to Young Athletes

My advice to the young travel ball kids is to always find a way to keep it fun. No matter the level of ball anyone is playing it has to be fun and you have to play like every game is your last game.

-Maggie Krause

Trust the process, work hard, and enjoy every second because it flies by.

-Shelby Southard



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