

Saints sweep No.12 Hempstead in tight games

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The Dubuque Hempstead softball team arrived in Cedar Rapids Monday with a sparkling 13-0 record and the No.12 spot in the new [IGHSAU softball rankings](#) .

The Mustangs (13-2, 8-2) went home with a headache.

The Xavier Saints (8-3, 7-3) swept Hempstead, 2-1 and 7-6, in a pair of Mississippi Valley Conference squeakers at the Xavier field.

Emily Walton drove in the winning run for Xavier in the first game with a fifth-inning double. Tyler Sampson hit a home run for the Saints (8-3, 7-3) in the second inning.

Abby Bedard went 3-for-4 and drove in a run in the second game for Xavier. Sydney Galligan was 2-for-3 with an RBI.