

## Mustangs drop 2 tight games

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WINTER HAVEN, Fla. - The Mount Mercy softball team began the season with a pair of excruciating defeats at the RossMatt Tournament Thursday at the Diamondplex Softball Facility in Florida.

The Mustangs lost to 22nd-ranked Southeastern University, 7-5, after building a 5-4 lead after five innings in their first game.

Mount Mercy fell to Olivet Nazarene, 13-11, in eight innings in the second contest.

Emily Oler hit a home run and drove in two runs for the Mustangs against Southeastern of Florida. Jolona Shield was 2-for-4 with an RBI. Morgan Braughton collected a triple and an RBI.

Madelyn Irwin allowed only two runs in five innings for Mount Mercy against Southeastern and had a no-decision.

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**Southeastern** ▯ ▯ 010 303 x - 7 9 2

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