

2 Kennedy stars join MSR softball league

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Megan Weber and Jenna Schwartzhoff, who helped Cedar Rapids Kennedy finish third at the Class 5A state tournament this year, have joined the Iowa Women's Softball League for next summer.

Weber, who was honored as the 2016/2017 Gatorade Player of the Year for the state of Iowa, is now a freshman catcher and first baseman at Coe. She hit .398 this season with nine homers and 45 RBIs, a year after batting .529 with 13 homers and 56 RBIs. She was named to the all-state teams as a junior and senior.

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Schwartzhoff is now a freshman pitcher and first baseman at Clarke University in Dubuque. She hit .357 with one homer and 20 RBIs this season at Kennedy and compiled a 9-1 record and 2.20 ERA as a pitcher. She was named to the Mississippi Valley all-conference team.

Kennedy finished with a 37-8 record and enjoyed its best finish at the state tournament in school history.

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Haley McFarlane, who hit .388 with four homers and 31 RBIs for Cedar Rapids Prairie last season, also has joined the Iowa Women's Softball League. She is now a freshman infielder at St. Cloud State.



Addy Pender, who played in the summer league this year, has enrolled again for the 2018 campaign. Pender, a catcher and first baseman, starred at Johnston High School as a prep. She hit .245 with four homers and 17 RBIs as a sophomore at Luther College last season when

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the Norse won the Iowa Conference title.

Pender helped Johnston win the Class 5A state title in 2014 and make three straight trips to the state tournament. She was named to the all-state team in 2015.

Thirteen players have already joined the Iowa Women's Softball League for next summer since registration began Sept. 1. Nine of those players have enrolled for the Eastern Division in Cedar Rapids and four have enrolled in the new Central Division in Indianola and Ames.

The Iowa Women's Softball League was created by the Metro Sports Report and is the only summer college program in the state.

The entire registration process can be accomplished on-line by clicking on the link to this story. Please have a credit card ready to pay the \$100 player fee through PayPal.

The Hawkeye Conference Stores are the title sponsor for the league.