

Stranded SWCC players turn to summer league

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The softball players at Southwestern Community College in Creston were bitterly disappointed this winter when the school announced it was canceling the 2018 season because there were only 11 student/athletes on the team.

Now at least two of those SWCC players will be finding an outlet in the Iowa Women's Softball League this summer. It's not the same as a college campaign, but it's the next-best thing in Iowa.

Addison Westercamp, a freshman at Southwestern, contacted the league this past weekend about playing this summer. She has not enrolled yet, but plans to register in the near future.

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Westercamp contacted Meghan Gould, another freshman at Southwestern, and Gould promptly enrolled in the IWSL on Saturday. So even though SWCC will not be playing any games this spring, Westercamp and Gould will get to play 16 games this summer.

Gould is a middle infielder who was named to the Blue Grass All-Conference team while attending Murray High School. She lives in Osceola. Westercamp is a third baseman who attended Moulton-Udell High School.

Olivia Goodale, a sophomore All-American pitcher at Indian Hills Community College, also has enrolled for Year 2 of the summer league, putting 32 players in the fold with many more on the way.

Goodale has a 3-1 record and 1.25 ERA this season at Indian Hills. She went 15-9 with a 2.18 ERA in 2017 and helped the Warriors reach the NJCAA Division I World Series.

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