



MSP STAR NEWS

SUMMER 2025 Edition

Coach Katie Korner

This coming month we are in full swing with all our teams coming back and playing ball. All teams are practicing and playing to start summer off with a bang. It is great to see all our teams take off and shine as the STARS they are.

Each player has shown improvement one way or another. Growth in the throw, batting stance or even running the bases. This Spring/Summer coaches are making it their mission to get the players softball smarts. This is a HUGE piece of making a team complete. Knowing each situation, scenario and where to go BEFORE the ball is hit. In order to understand, players should watch. Watch other games, see what those players are doing or not doing. Watch your position and the positions next to your position. What do they do differently or the same? These little things make huge improvements to your player and the team.

Our goal with MSP Stars is to truly challenge our players. On Saturday, May 31st Texas Tech was playing against UCLA in the Women's College World Series. The score was 0-0, Texas Tech was hitting, with runners on the corner. The count on the batter was 2-2 and the coach STOLE HOME, STOLE HOME IN THE BIGGEST STAGE FOR SOFTBALL. The catcher never looked at the runner, the batter stayed in her box blocking the view and she stole. This shook the UCLA team for sure. The moral of the story is the players had to trust their coach, trust the process and execute the way they were shown and/or taught. There are times in games that we use plays parents might not understand, but we are challenging them to see how we can push them into the players we believe they are.

2025-2026 SEASON

Once an MSP Stars ALWAYS an MSP STAR! Tryouts this year are on Monday, June 30th, Tuesday, July 1 and Wednesday July 2nd. We ask for MSP Stars players to come at least at 1 day. If you have a game that ALWAYS takes place over tryouts. In order to return next year, there is a deposit of \$250 that is due no later than Friday, June 13th. This saves your spot for next season.

MSP STARS OF THE MONTH

MSP STAR PLAYER OF APRIL MADISON SYOWN

TEAM: 10U
POSITION: Pitcher/Infielder
GRAD YEAR: 2032

REASON FOR PofM: Madison is having her 1st season as an MSP Star. Madison had a slower start in the Fall, but has surely been picking up the pace. Coach Joe has been challenging her and pushing her in practices and that push is showing in games for her team. She is playing outfield and infield when not on the mound. For these reasons, Madison is awarded MSP Star, player of the month for April.

MSP STAR PLAYER OF MAY MACKENZIE SYOEN

TEAM: 10U
POSITION: Pitcher/Outfielder
GRAD YEAR: 2032

REASON FOR PofM: MacKenzie is having her 1st season as an MSP Star. This girl is such a mighty lefty to join the 10U team. Coach Joe has seen MacKenzie go all out, but more importantly control. She has always had speed but controlling and zoning in on that speed has helped MacKenzie stay consistent on this 10U team when they need it the most. For these reasons, MacKenzie is awarded MSP Star, player of the month of May.

MSP STAR PLAYER OF APRIL ELLIE HURCOMBE

TEAM: 11U
POSITION: Catcher/1st base
GRAD YEAR: 2031

REASON FOR PofM: Ellie is having her 1st season as an MSP Star. She started off a little shy, but has broken out of her shell. Coach Sarah has seen her bond with her teammates and really grow into a great catcher and a reliable player for her 11U team. When Ellie smiles, you know it will be a great day at the ball field! For these reasons, Ellie is awarded MSP Star, player of the month for April.

MSP STAR PLAYER OF MAY CLARE COHN

TEAM: 11U
POSITION: Utility
GRAD YEAR: 2031

REASON FOR PofM: Clare is having her 3rd season as an MSP Star. Seeing her growth over the years is AMAZING. Starting being timid with the ball to stopping the ball at all costs. Coach Sarah is seeing the fearless player coming out. Interacting with teammates on and off the field. For these reasons, Clare is awarded MSP Star, player of the month for May.

MSP STAR PLAYER OF APRIL FINLEY DAVIS

TEAM: 12U
POSITION: Pitcher/1st
GRAD YEAR: 2030

REASON FOR PofM: Finley is having her 1st season as an MSP Star. She has turned a corner showing maxim effort and a positive attitude for her team. Coach Eric has seen so much growth since Fall and knows she has been working hard. Fin is looking to be a leader for this young but mighty 12U team. For these reasons, Finley is awarded MSP Star, player of the month for April.

MSP STAR PLAYER OF MAY HOLLIE WILLIX

TEAM: 12U
POSITION: Utility
GRAD YEAR: 2031

REASON FOR PofM: Hollie is having her 3rd season as an MSP Star. This quick but mighty 12U player has always hit well, thrown well and been a true asset to any team. Coach Eric has seen so much growth with her to keep her emotions in check and her head on the future. Her improvement has kept her grounded and a force to be reckoned with. For these reasons, Hollie is awarded MSP Star, player of the month for May.

MSP STAR PLAYER OF APRIL SADIE RATHMAN

TEAM: 13U BLACK
POSITION: Pitcher/Utility
GRAD YEAR: 2030

REASON FOR PofM: Sadie is having her 1st season as an MSP Star. She has been showing signs of leadership and hardwork. Coach Lilli has noticed not to let the shyness fool you, the beast is starting to arise and lead this young 13U team. If she is needed on the mound, in the infield or the outfield she is the first to stand up and be out there. For these reasons, Sadie is awarded MSP Star, player of the month for April.

MSP STAR PLAYER OF MAY HANNAH WILLIX

TEAM: 13U ORANGE
POSITION: Utility
GRAD YEAR: 2030

REASON FOR PofM: Hannah is having her 4th season as an MSP Star. She has shown so much growth over the years. Helping out teams same age or even older. Hannahs knowledge of the game has improved any team she faces. Coach Nate has seen such advancement from this player and is hoping to see more leadership on the field from her. For these reasons, Hannah is awarded MSP Star, player of the month for May.

Honorable mentions for player of the month were

Kiera Beck (12U)
Layla Shea (13U Black)
Izzy Adams (13U Orange)

MSP STAR, PLAYER OF THE MONTH!

What are teams up too?

10U

Bats a blazing with this team. Taking 3rd place in Flower Power followed by a 1st place finish in St. Charles Lighting tournament. These players are cooking up something strong on the field. Coach Joe and Coach Matt are so proud of the work each player is putting in from the off season to now. Working on knowing and understanding the game a little more against tougher competition.

11U

GO, FIGHT, CHARGE, here comes the 11U team. They took 5th in the Flower Power tournament and 1st at the the Bolingbrook round robin. This team has come along and it shows. Coach Sarah, Coach Dave and Coach Ari have seen hustle, determination and a continuing to fight attitude. They give maximum effort. Now just need to run when the coaches tell them too.

12U

Team has taken Spring by storm. Taking 1st place in Grayslake, 3rd place in Flower Power and 3rd place in Battle for the Ring this team is playing for hardware everywhere they go. Coach Eric and Coach Rich are proud of the success this team has faced. Facing teams at a higher competitive level and still staying with those teams. Keep an eye out for 12U shining bright.

13U Black

This team has had challenges and still keep moving forward. Taking home some hardware in the Flower Power tournament as Silver Bracket Champs. Coach Lilli, Coach Kyle and Coach Ryan have seen so much improvement in a short amount of time. Seeing the bats start to come along and now needing that communication from each one on the field. This will be key for success.

13U Orange

Coach Bree and Coach Nate have set forth a challenge for this team. They have been playing against A and B level talent lately. Some good, some bad, but still showing up. The challenge has been set, the gears are moving, and get ready to see the 13U Orange throw the punches to be successful this Summer. I have no doubt this team will hit the ground hard and start taking names.

JUNE & JULY Practice Schedule

June's schedule is pretty much up in the air between tournaments, league games, friendlies and rain. We will not have a schedule out this month or next. If your daughter can not make her practice, but is able to make another practice, please contact your HEAD COACH to see if you can change practices for the week. We know players have other activities going on and would like to see everyone get practice in. Remember, this is only a once in awhile change. We need players to gel with their teams and show up to their team practices.

TRYOUTS for 2025-2026 SEASON

Can not believe the year is almost over. That being said, we have a saying here, ONCE A STAR, ALWAYS A STAR and we mean it. Once you have made the MSP Star roster we want you to continuing to play with us. That is why BEFORE tryouts, you are welcome to reserve your spot in advance. From now, until Friday, June 14 you would need to make your decision. There is \$250 deposit due BEFORE June 14th to save your spot with us. Fees for next year are as follows;

10U will be \$1,650, 11U and 12U will be \$1,850, 13U to 18U will be \$2,050.

We do ask that players that want to come back go to at least one day of tryouts. A game will always take place of the tryout, but coming to one helps us evaluate which team you would be on for the next year. Also, bring your friends and see how much fun we really have! We try and keep as many girls together as possible as we want to build a team moral from years past.

Should anyone have any questions, concerns or advise please feel free to reach out to Coach Katie. I can be reached via cell, (708) 299-2513 or email, info@mcfaddenssportsperformance.com. Make sure to save your spot TODAY!

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**TRYOUT FOR
2025-2026 SEASON**



Come see if Orange looks good on you!!! We will be holding tryouts for our 2025-2026 season. We offer paid coaches, pitching & catchers practice in winter, speed and agility, & so much more. Come join the MSP Stars program today to shine like a STAR.

10U - 11U - 12U (Birth Year 2013,2014,2015)

Monday, June 30th

@ Reed Keeper West Chicago 5:30-7:30pm

Tuesday, July 1st & Wednesday, July 2nd

@ Pioneer Park West Chicago 5:30-7:30pm

13U - 14U - 15U - 16U - 17U - 18U

(Birth Year 2007,2008,2009,2010,2011,2012)

Monday, June 30th

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Tuesday, July 1st & Wednesday, July 2nd @ Pioneer Park
West Chicago 7:30-9:30pm

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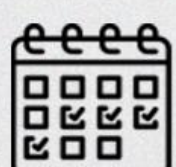
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Interested in a private tryout

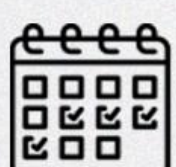
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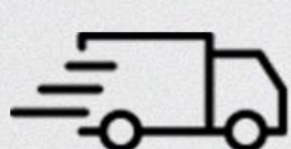
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JUN. 2ND**



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JUN. 9TH**



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