



MISSISSIPPI STATE BASEBALL

2021 NATIONAL CHAMPIONS

133 Seasons | 39 NCAA Tournament Appearances | 12 College World Series Appearances | 19 MLB First Round Draft Picks

SCORECARD SUMMARIES

2023 statistics listed | Probable starters based on previous games

Pos.	Name	Elg.	B/T	Ht./Wt.	Avg.	R	H	RBI	Notes
C	Ross Highfill	Fr.	R/R	6-0/200	.455	3	5	3	
Currently on a three game hit streak; Had a career-high three hits against ULM									
1B	Luke Hancock	Sr.	L/R	5-11/195	.421	10	8	3	MSU's Baseball Captain; Has hit safely in five of six games; Has drawn seven walks this season
2B	Amani Larry	Jr.	R/R	5-11/190	.333	7	8	10	Collected multiple hits in each game of the series against VMI; Leads team with ten RBIs
SS	Lane Forsythe	Jr.	R/R	5-10/175	.222	6	4	4	Has appeared in 112 games for the Dawgs; On a two-game hit streak; Earned 2021 College World Series All-Tournament Team honors
3B	Slate Alford	So.	R/R	6-3/220	.333	5	8	5	Has hit safely in five of the six games this season; Has three RBIs in the last two games
LF	Dakota Jordan	Fr.	R/R	6-0/200	.217	3	5	4	Has hit safely in five of six games; Had a career-high three RBIs against ULM on Wednesday night
CF	Colton Ledbetter	Jr.	L/R	6-2/220	.333	5	9	10	Has hit safely in five of the six games this season; Has a team-high 10 RBIs; Has three doubles and two home runs this season
RF	Bryce Chance	Fr.	R/R	5-10/180	.391	6	9	10	SEC Co-Freshman of the Week (Feb. 20); Has collected a hit in five of the last six games; Has three multi-RBI games
DH	Hunter Hines	So.	L/R	6-3/210	.200	4	4	2	Has a multi-hit game in the series opener against Arizona State; Has two extra base hits on the year

DAWG BITES

- The Dawgs are hitting .318 on the year and have an on-base percentage of .440. The .318 average is the 20th best in the NCAA, and the on-base percentage is the 33rd best in the country. The Diamond Dawgs have five players hitting over .300 on the season, with Luke Hancock leading the team with .421.
- Round Trippers: The Dawgs have hit 11 home runs. This is the third most in the Southeastern Conference this season. Eight MSU players have hit a homer this season, with Bryce Chance, Colton Ledbetter, and Kellum Clark leading the team with two homers each.
- Good Eye: The Dawgs have had a good eye at the plate this season. They have drawn 43 walks this season, the most in the SEC. They have three players, Luke Hancock, Lane Forsythe, and Dakota Jordan, who have drawn a team-high seven.
- Best Fans in the Land: The Diamond Dawgs have the best fans in college baseball. The Dawgs have played six games at home this season, with four drawing over 10,000 fans to games. In the series opener against Arizona State, the Dawgs had a crowd of 11,136. Mississippi State drew the most fans in the country over the weekend series.
- It's been written about. It's been Tweeted about. It's been talked about. It's what has become known as The Dude Effect. If anyone had forgotten or doubted that the best home-field advantage in all of college baseball is inside the confines of Mississippi State's Dudy Noble Field. Opponents don't simply have to defeat the Diamond Dawgs. Visitors have to conquer the cowbell-crazed home crowd as well.
- Freshman Bradley Loftin made his first collegiate start on Tuesday night and recorded eight strikeouts. He limited the Warhawks to only one unearned run in the contest, and ULM only tallied two hits off Loftin, who went four innings.
- Did you know that the Diamond Dawgs are one of three programs in NCAA History and the only Southeastern Conference program to play in the NCAA Men's College World Series in six-straight decades.
- Mississippi State's Luke Hancock and Colton Ledbetter are two of 25 players selected to the Preseason All-SEC baseball teams by the league's coaches. Hancock was named second-team catcher, while Ledbetter was named a second-team outfielder.
- The Diamond Dawgs saw two players, Colton Ledbetter, and Amani Larry, earn Preseason All-American honors.

PITCHING PROBABLES

* - Game started

MISSISSIPPI STATE - GRAHAM YNTEMA | LHP

Quick Stats

	W-L	ERA	BAA	IP	SO/BB
2023	0-0	3.86	.429	2.1	4/1
Career	0-0	3.86	.429	2.1	4/1

Last Three Appearances

2/17/23	vs. VMI	W, 11-2
1.1 IP, 5 H, 2 R, 1 ER, 1 BB, 3 K (ND)		
2/22/23	vs. ULM	W, 14-3
1.0 IP, 1 H, 0 R, 0 ER, 0 BB, 1 K (ND)		

ASU - #5 KHRISTIAN CURTIS | RHP

Quick Stats

	W-L	ERA	BAA	IP	SO/BB
2023	1-0	0.00	.118	5.0	6/3
Career	3-0	1.12	.213	24.0	21/11

Last Three Appearances

2/18/23	vs. San Diego State	W, 5-3
5.0 IP, 2 H, 0 R, 0 ER, 3 BB, 6 K (W)		

HITTING STREAKS

PLAYER	SEASON	CURRENT	CAREER
Hunter Hines	2	1	12
Colton Ledbetter	5	--	10*
Luke Hancock	4	1	9
Connor Hujsak	--	--	8*
Wil Hoyle	--	--	7*
Lane Forsythe	2	2	6
Kellum Clark	3	--	9
Bryce Chance	5	--	5
Dakota Jordan	5	5	5
Amani Larry	3	--	3
Aaron Downs	2	--	2
Slate Alford	3	2	3
Von Seibert	--	--	2
Ross Highfill	3	3	3
Connor Hujsak	1	1	1
Nate Chester	1	1	1

*High set at previous school

2023 SEASON STATISTICS

Record: 3-3 Home: 3-3 Away: 0-0 SEC: 0-0

Player	avg	gs-gp	ab	r	h	2b	3b	hr	rbi	bb	slg%	lob	tp	cs	gdp	stl%	sf	clt	clt-all	po	a	e	WAR
20 Hancock, Luke	.421	6-6	19	10	8	3	0	1	3	14	.737	7	1	3	0	.571	1	0	0-0	56	4	0	1.000
38 Chance, Bryce	.391	6-6	23	6	9	1	0	2	10	16	.696	3	0	1	1	.462	0	0	1-1	2	0	0	1.000
10 Ledbetter, Dalton	.333	6-6	27	5	9	3	0	2	10	18	.667	3	1	4	0	.419	0	0	2-2	9	0	0	1.000
24 Alford, Slate	.333	6-6	24	5	8	1	0	1	5	12	.500	2	0	3	1	.370	1	0	0-0	1	6	3	.700
8 Larry, Arant	.333	6-6	24	7	8	3	0	1	10	14	.583	3	3	2	3	.452	1	0	4-4	11	10	0	1.000
11 Clark, Kellum	.286	5-4	14	6	4	0	0	2	3	10	.714	5	0	1	1	.474	0	0	0-0	5	1	0	1.000
43 Forsythe, Lane	.222	6-6	18	6	4	0	0	0	4	4	.222	7	0	2	1	.440	0	0	3-3	4	10	4	.778
42 Jordan, Dakota	.217	6-6	23	3	5	1	0	1	4	9	.391	7	0	5	0	.387	1	0	0-0	13	0	1	.929
44 Hines, Hunter	.200	5-5	20	4	4	1	0	1	2	8	.400	4	0	2	0	.333	0	0	0-0	19	2	2	.913
5 Downs, Aaron	.167	4-8	3	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	.667	1	0	1	0	.750	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
13 Chester, Nate	.500	3-0	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	.500	1	0	0	0	.667	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
22 Highfill, Ross	.455	3-3	11	3	5	3	0	0	3	8	.727	0	2	4	0	.538	0	0	0-0	40	1	0	1.000
7 Hujzak, Connor	.333	4-0	3	0	1	1	0	0	1	2	.667	0	0	0	0	.333	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
27 Hoyle, Will	.000	3-8	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	1	1	.500
33 Seibert, Von	.000	2-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	.000	0	0	0-0	2	0	0	1.000
Totals	.318	6	214	56	68	17	0	11	55	118	.551	43	7	30	7	.440	4	0	10-10	162	47	13	.941
Opponents	.252	6	214	46	54	7	1	5	38	78	.364	41	7	76	2	.383	4	3	15-16	153	63	9	.960

LOB - Team (62), Opp (61). DPs turned - Team (2), Opp (7). CI - Team (0), Opp (1). Picked off - Larry 1, Clark 1.

(All games Sorted by Earned run avg)

Player	era	wh-l	app	gs	cg	sho	sv	ip	h	r	er	bb	so	2b	3b	hr	ldavg	top	tp	hit	clt	clt
30 Loftin, Bradley	0.00	0-1	2	1	0	0/0	0	5.0	2	1	0	5	8	0	0	0	.125	0	1	0	0	0
50 Czapke, Jarrangelo	0.00	2-0	2	1	0	0/0	0	5.0	3	0	0	1	8	0	0	0	.167	0	1	0	0	0
55 Tapper, Brock	0.00	0-0	2	0	0	0/0	0	4.2	4	0	0	2	4	0	1	0	.222	0	0	0	0	0
25 Downs, Nate	0.00	0-1	2	0	0	0/0	0	4.1	3	2	0	1	1	1	0	0	.231	0	0	0	1	0
14 Gibbs, Will	0.00	0-0	1	0	0	0/0	0	1.1	1	0	0	1	4	0	0	0	.200	0	0	0	0	0
16 Cheslham, Cole	0.00	0-0	1	0	0	0/0	0	1.0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	.000	1	0	0	0	0
4 Nixon, Aaron	0.00	0-0	1	0	0	0/0	0	1.0	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0
12 Stary, Evan	3.00	0-0	1	0	0	0/0	0	3.0	2	3	1	0	5	1	0	0	.182	1	0	0	0	1
39 Yntema, Graham	3.86	0-0	2	0	0	0/0	0	2.1	6	2	1	1	4	1	0	0	.429	0	0	1	0	0
36 Garland, Landon	5.40	0-0	1	1	0	0/0	0	5.0	6	3	3	1	8	2	0	0	.250	2	0	1	0	0
32 Stinnett, Parker	5.40	0-0	1	0	0	0/0	0	1.2	2	2	1	0	2	0	0	0	.400	0	1	0	1	1
15 Smith, Cade	9.00	1-1	2	2	0	0/0	0	7.0	5	7	7	0	7	1	0	2	.200	0	2	0	1	1
6 Forsythe, Logan	10.80	0-0	2	0	0	0/0	0	1.2	3	3	2	2	3	0	0	0	.375	1	1	0	1	0
26 Hardin, Tyson	11.57	0-0	3	0	0	0/0	0	2.1	5	3	3	1	3	0	0	1	.417	0	0	0	0	0
45 Davis, Tyler	18.00	0-0	2	0	0	0/0	0	3.0	5	6	6	3	4	1	0	2	.333	0	1	0	0	0
21 Holcombe, Colby	20.25	0-0	2	0	0	0/0	0	1.1	0	3	3	4	2	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0
2 Hunt, KC	22.85	0-0	3	1	0	0/0	0	4.1	7	11	11	9	8	0	0	0	.333	1	0	0	0	0
Totals	6.33	3-3	6	6	0	0/0	0	54.0	54	46	38	41	78	7	1	6	.282	6	7	2	4	3
Opponents	9.35	3-3	6	6	0	0/0	1	51.0	68	56	53	43	30	17	0	11	.318	5	7	0	4	0

PB - Team (6), Highfill 5, Hancock 1, Opp (1). Pickoffs - Team (3), Loftin 2, Smith 1, Opp (2). SB/ATT - Hancock (15-16), Hunt (8-8), Smith (2-2), Downs (1-2), Hardin (1-1), Holcombe (1-1), Stinnett (1-1), Yntema (1-1).