

2026-2027 NCSA TEAM PREVIEW GUIDE

Team Name: URI Cub Softball

Mascot: Rhody Rams

Location: University of Rhode Island

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Soryn Bornhorst, Ava Roth

2025-26 Performance:

- **Record:** 6-7
- **Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results:** N/A
- **Notables:** NCSA D1 Competitive team, undefeated in 2023-24 season as D2; moved up to D1

Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners): 14 Returning Players

Players to Watch: Brianna DeGiacomo, Ariana Renzi, Ava Roth

New additions: Mia Pellegrino, Gwen Camara, Brianna DeGiacomo

Biggest Rival: Sacred Heart University

Best Player Nickname: Gwendolyn

2026-27 Season Outlook: With a strong group of returning players and exciting new talent, the team is gearing up for a big 2026–27 season. Returning players will bring experience and leadership, while newcomers will have opportunities to make an immediate impact and compete for spots. As the team comes together, the focus will be on building chemistry, competing hard, and making the most of every opportunity to play and have fun.

Manager Quote: We're expecting a huge season this year, with exciting opportunities for new talent alongside a strong group of returning players who are ready to give it their all, compete, and have fun.



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Team Name: Binghamton Club Softball

Mascot: Bearcats

Location: Binghamton, NY

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Erin Purr and Amber Nero

2025-26 Performance:

- Record: **3-9**
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: **4th in Conference**
- Notables:

Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners): 10 Returners

Players to Watch: Dawn Grover and Natalie Barillaro

New additions: Sarah O'Connor

Biggest Rival: Cortland

Best Player Nickname: Cap

2026-27 Season Outlook: The goal is to improve to a winning record this season.

Manager Quote: "This season we are looking to improve our team chemistry and play for each other. We want to fight as a team and get some big wins."

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Team Name: Syracuse Club Softball

Mascot: Otto the Orange

Location: Syracuse, New York

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Kate DiMartino

2025-26 Performance:

- **Record:** 13-5
- **Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results:** 1st place in the New England West Conference
- **Notables:** 11-1 Fall record

Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners): 15 returners

Players to Watch:

- Ashley Kessner (Sr.)
- Mia Gottfried (Jr.)
- Emma Penniman (So.)

Biggest Rival: Cornell

2026-27 Season Outlook:

Syracuse enters the 2026–27 season looking to defend its New England West Conference title and build on last year’s success. With a talented group, strong team chemistry, and plenty of energy, the Orange are focused on staying competitive, having fun, and making another postseason run.

Manager Quote:

“We’re coming off a huge season as conference champions, and our goal is to build on that momentum and establish ourselves as one of the top teams in the country. We have a talented group that competes hard, trusts one another, and genuinely enjoys playing together. This year, we want to raise the standard even higher while keeping the energy and team culture that makes Syracuse Club Softball special.”

- Kate DiMartino