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Minnesota Crookston Baseball Games Against No. 12 Augustana Moved to Thursday and Friday



CROOKSTON, Minn. – The University of Minnesota Crookston baseball games against Augustana University have been moved to Thurs., March 22 and Fri., March 23 due to predicted inclement weather this weekend in Sioux Falls, S.D. The Golden Eagles will play the Vikings Thurs., March 22 at 2 and 4 p.m. and Fri., March 23 at 1 and 3 p.m.

Thurs., March 22, vs. Augustana – 2/4 p.m. – Sioux Falls, S.D. – Karras Park Home of Ronken Field
 Live Stats - <http://www.sidearmstats.com/augie/baseball/>
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Fri., March 23, vs. Augustana – 1/3 p.m. – Sioux Falls, S.D. – Karras Park Home of Ronken Field
 Live Stats - <http://www.sidearmstats.com/augie/baseball/>
 Video - <https://portal.stretchinternet.com/augie/>

Projected Line-up
 R-Sr. CF 1 [Anthony Stewart](#), .359, 22 runs, 6 doubles, 5 triples, 1 HR, 13 RBIs
 Sr. RF 20 [Mitchell Bornhauser](#), .205, 10 runs, 1 double, 4 RBIs
 Sr. SS 27 [Ethan Mushitz](#), .294, 11 runs, 4 doubles, 2 triples, 2 HR, 11 RBIs
 Sr. 1B 33 [Reed Hjelle](#), .421, 13 runs, 8 doubles, 1 triple, 2 HR, 23 RBIs
 R-So. DH 12 [Wyatt Peppel](#), .289, 3 runs, 2 doubles, 1 HR, 7 RBIs
 Jr. 3B 16 [Jonathan Lund](#), .273, 6 runs, 2 doubles, 8 RBIs
 Sr. LF 5 [James Cullinane](#), .245, 11 runs, 3 doubles, 1 triple, 1 RBI
 R-Sr. C 7 [Zach Frazier](#), .208, 8 runs, 1 double, 1 HR, 8 RBIs
 R-Sr. 2B 6 [David Anaya](#), .236, 8 runs, 2 doubles, 4 RBIs

Other Bats
 Fr. UT 29 [Ben Thoma](#), .200, 6 runs, 7 RBIs
 Sr. OF 8 [Scott Mortenson](#), .182, 2 runs

Top Pitchers
 Jr. RHP 23 [Parker Hanson](#), 1-3 3.90 ERA, 132 IP, 10 H, 10 ER, 1 HR, 10 BB, 10 SO
 Jr. RHP 21 [Zach Seipel](#), 1-1 3.95 ERA, 132 IP, 10 H, 10 ER, 1 HR, 10 BB, 10 SO
 So. RHP 18 [Justin Yutzenka](#), 1-1 5.09 ERA, 132 IP, 10 H, 10 ER, 1 HR, 10 BB, 10 SO
 Jr. LHP 34 [Craeme Cherry](#), 1-0 3.00 ERA, 132 IP, 10 H, 10 ER, 1 HR, 10 BB, 10 SO
 R-So. RHP 38 [Esten Beneda](#), 0-0 1.69 ERA, 132 IP, 10 H, 10 ER, 1 HR, 10 BB, 10 SO

Minnesota Crookston has posted their best mark to open a season since opening the 2016 campaign with a 12-7 mark. The Golden Eagles are currently 9 (0-4 NSIC) through their first 15 games. Minnesota Crookston is looking to rebound from a sweep to open conference play against Concordia University-St. Paul last weekend.

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The Golden Eagles are hitting .276 on the season entering Thursday. Minnesota Crookston is led by their clean-up hitter [Reed Hjelle](#) (Jr., 1B, East Grand Forks, Minn.), who is hitting .421 with 13 runs, eight doubles, one triple, two home runs and 23 RBIs. Hjelle has been named NSIC Player of the Week and NCBWA Central Region Player of the Week this season. In addition to Hjelle, lead-off hitter [Anthony Stewart](#) (R-Sr., OF, Oak Harbor, Wash.) as he is hitting .359 with 22 runs, six doubles, five triples, one home run and 13 RBIs. [Ethan Mushitz](#) (Sr., SS, East Grand Forks, Minn.) has also started off strong as he is batting .294 with 11 runs, 4 doubles, two triples, two home runs and 11 RBIs.

[Parker Hanson](#) (Jr., RHP, Hawley, Minn.) leads the pitching staff as he has posted a 3.90 ERA in 30 innings pitched with 25 strikeouts and six walks. Hanson has allowed only four runs in the last 13 innings against defending National Champion West Chester University of Pennsylvania and Concordia-St. Paul. [Zach Seipel](#) (Jr., RHP, Eagan, Minn.) anchors the staff on the back end as the closer is 1-1 with a 3.95 ERA in 13.2 innings pitched with four saves, 24 strikeouts and seven walks. [Justin Yutzenka](#) (So., RHP, Argyle, Minn.) is coming off his best pitching outing of the season as he gave up just one run on eight hits in six innings of action against the Golden Bears March 18. Yutzenka is 1-1 with a 5.09 ERA in 23.0 innings pitched on the season.

Augustana

Projected Line-up

So. CF 22 Riley Johnson, .391, 17 runs, 2 doubles, 11 RBIs
 Fr. RF 35 Ryan Nickel, .439, 14 runs, 1 double, 8 RBIs
 So. SS 14 Sam Baier, .316, 14 runs, 4 doubles, 1 triple, 4 RBIs
 Fr. 1B 31 Jordan Barth, .404, 11 runs, 5 doubles, 4 HRs, 20 RBIs
 Sr. C 27 Ryan Menssen, .324, 7 runs, 3 doubles, 5 RBIs
 Sr. 3B 33 Lucas Barry, .216, 6 runs, 4 doubles, 2 triples, 7 RBIs
 Fr. 2B 20 J.T. Mix, .324, 8 runs, 2 doubles, 9 RBIs
 R-Fr. DH 44 Aiden Ladd, .346, 9 runs, 2 doubles, 7 RBIs
 Jr. LF 11 Michael Svozil, .394, 10 runs, 2 doubles, 1 triple, 7 RBIs

Other Bats

Jr. LF/DH 1 Nate Crossman, .333, 5 runs, 3 doubles, 4 RBIs
 Sr. C 15 Trent Herman, .250, 5 runs, 3 doubles, 1 triple, 3 RBIs
 Sr. 2B 3 Carter Wevik, .211, 4 runs, 1 double, 1 RBI

Top Pitchers

Sr. RHP 26 Jacob Blank, 3-0 1.77 ERA, 20.1 IP, 28 K, 4 BB
 Fr LHP 6 Jed Schmidt, 1-0 0.59 ERA, 15.1 IP, 14 K, 5 BB
 Sr. RHP 16 David Flattery, 2-1 3.38 ERA, 16.0 IP, 21 K, 9 BB
 Jr. RHP 40 Michael Brandt, 0-0 0.00 ERA, 7.0 IP, 2 saves, 16 K, 2 BB
 Jr. RHP 8 Derek Dahlke, 2-0 1.93 ERA, 9.1 IP, 14 K, 1 BB

Augustana is currently ranked No. 12 nationally with a 14-1 (3-1 NSIC) record. The Vikings are hitting .326 on the season. Augustana is paced by freshman Jordan Barth, who is hitting .404 with 11 runs, five doubles, four home runs and 20 RBIs. Fellow freshman Ryan Nickel is batting .439 with 14 runs, one double and eight RBIs. In addition, Michael Svozil is hitting .394 with 10 runs, two doubles, one triple and seven RBIs.

The Vikings have posted a 2.95 ERA on the 2018 season. Augustana is led by Jacob Blank, who is 3-0 with a 1.77 ERA in 20.1 innings pitched with 28 strikeouts and four walks. Left-handed Jed Schmidt is 1-0 with a 0.59 ERA with 14 strikeouts and five walks. Their top bullpen arm is Michael Brandt, who is 0-0 with a 0.00 ERA with two saves, 16 strikeouts and two walks.

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PLAYERS MENTIONED ▾

#6 David Anaya

2B/SS / 5' 11" / Redshirt Senior / R

#20 Mitchell Bornhauser

OF / 5' 11" / Senior / R

#7 Zach Frazier

C / 6' 4" / Redshirt Senior / R

#33 Reed Hjelle

1B / 6' 2" / Junior / R

#27 Ethan Mushitz

SS / 6' 0" / Senior / L

#38 Esten Beneda

RHP / 6' 1" / Redshirt Sophomore / R

#5 James Cullinane

OF / 6' 1" / Senior / R

#23 Parker Hanson

RHP / 6' 1" / Junior / R

#8 Scott Mortenson

OF / 5' 11" / Senior / L

#12 Wyatt Peppel

DH / 6' 0" / Redshirt Sophomore / R



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