

Lady Norse start season with home series sweep

The offense was firing on opening day of the 2026 Lady Norse softball season. NEO opened their spring schedule with Neosho County Community College on Thursday, Feb. 5.

Sophomore right-handed pitcher Morgan Barnes earned the win for game one, giving up only one hit and one run over five innings, with seven strikeouts. Freshman Ryan Amorosi came in for two innings in relief, giving up one hit and one run, and striking out two.

While Neosho scored first in the top of the first inning, NEO came right

back in the bottom of the inning and scored two, taking the lead and not looking back. The Lady Norse had a big offensive fifth inning, scoring four to seal the win.

Jadyn Helm led the offense with two hits, an RBI, and two runs scored. Kaydence Harjo and Torey Tedlock each added a hit apiece. Riley Kelly had an RBI sacrifice fly in the fifth inning, scoring Caylee Holcomb; while Tedlock followed it up with a three-run home run later in the inning.

NEO had a strong eye at the plate, accumulating seven walks for the game. Barnes and Bieber led the team

with two bases on balls each. NEO stole four bases in the game; Bieber had two; Holcomb and Kyler Howe each had one. The Lady Norse turned one double play in the game.

NEO came out even stronger offensively in the second game and wasted no time getting on the board in the first inning, scoring six runs. Four hole Addisen Hall scored Bieber (BB) and Holcomb (1B), getting the scoring started. Helm, Hall, Tedlock, and Howe would all come in to score in the bottom of the first.

The Lady Norse added one run in the second, when Tedlock hit a

sacrifice fly, scoring Holcomb. Four more NEO runs crossed the plate in the sixth inning to extend the lead to 13-5 and secure the win.

Hall hit a solo home run to center field, Peper hit into a fielder's choice, but one run scored, and Bieber singled, scoring two runs to end the ball game in run rule fashion.

Right handed freshman Gracie Macintosh earned her first career win for NEO. The starting pitcher gave up zero hits and zero runs over three innings, striking out two and walking four. Avery Johnson appeared in relief for three innings.

NORSEMEN LOSE PAIR OF NAILBITERS TO NOC-TONKAWA & MSC

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The NEO Golden Norsemen hosted the Northern Oklahoma College-Tonkawa Mavericks in a Region II matchup Thursday night. NEO won the first meeting in Tonkawa on Jan. 5, 80-86. The Golden Norsemen needed to put a game in the win column after dropping two straight contests.

The game was a nailbiter from the opening tip with the two teams going back-and-forth to end the first half in a stalemate, 39-39. The Mavericks gained the edge in the second half, outscoring NEO 32-35. NOC-Tonkawa squeaked by NEO, 71-74, to steal the road win on the Norsemen's home court.

Sophomore star Justin McCarter led the Golden Norsemen offense with 17 points. McCarter also grabbed five rebounds in the loss. Reserve Landen

Simington added a career high of 16 points, six rebounds, one steal, and one assist. Freshman Demario Adams Jr. continued as a valuable sixth man with 11 points, seven rebounds, two steals, and one assist. Keyne Costa contributed 10 points, five rebounds, one assist, and three blocks.

The Norsemen shot 42.9 percent from the field, 26.1 percent from three-point range, and 73.3 percent from the foul line.

The loss brought NEO's overall record to 10-11, and 4-4 in Region II play. The Golden Norsemen needed to have a short memory. NEO hosted the Murray State College Aggies for an afternoon game on Saturday.

The struggles continued for the Golden Norsemen on Saturday. In what could have easily been a win, NEO dropped a game to the Murray State College Aggies by only two points, 88-90. The Golden Norsemen were in the driver's seat of destiny, having built a three-point

lead to enter halftime ahead 41-38. The Aggies kept pushing in the second half, outscoring NEO 47-52 to steal a Region II road game.

Standout shooting guard McCarter again led the NEO offensive attack with 19 points. He added eight rebounds, two assists, two steals, and one blocked shot. Barron Harris ended the contest with 16 points, one rebound, one assist, and two steals. Jed Ethan-Nansha scored 12 points, grabbed eight rebounds, and made two assists. Braeden Lloyd made a remarkable 10 assists.

The Golden Norsemen shot 55.4 percent from the field, 40.9 percent from behind the arc, and 70 percent at the foul line.

The loss drops NEO to 10-12 overall, and 4-5 in Region II play. NEO will host the Northern Oklahoma College-Enid Jets on Feb. 12.



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LEGALS

IN THE DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR OTTAWA COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA

In the Matter of the Estate of: WANDA ALEEN ELMER, deceased.

Case No. PB-2026-4 NOTICE TO CREDITORS

All creditors having claims against Wanda Aleen Elmer, deceased, are required to present the same, with the description of all security interest and other collateral (if any) held by each creditor with respect to such claim, to the named Personal Representative, c/o Andrew T. Doney, 2 North Main, Ste. 404, Miami, OK 74354, on or before the following presentment date April 16, 2025, or the same will be forever barred.

Dated this 5th day of February, 2026.

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NOTICE OF HEARING RETURN OF SALE OF REAL PROPERTY AND PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF ATTORNEY FEES

NOTICE is hereby given to all persons interested in the Estate of Beverly Ann Cox, Deceased, that Joyce Rae Coombes, Personal Representative, has filed in this Court a Return of Sale of Real Property and a Petition for Approval of Attorney Fees.

The Personal Representative has reported the sale of the following described real property:

Lot Five (5), Block Four (4), Goodview Addition, Ottawa County, State of Oklahoma; Property Address: 706 Admiral Trussler Blvd. (a/k/a 706 Goodrich Blvd.), Miami, OK 74354.

The Property was sold at private sale to Whisenhunt II Investments by Charles Nolan for the sum of \$32,000.00 cash.

Additionally, the Personal Representative has petitioned the Court for approval of attorney fees, requesting that said fees be granted statutory priority as an expense of administration.

Pursuant to an Order of this Court, notice is hereby given that on the 24th day of February, 2026, at 1:30 P.M., the Return of Sale and Petition for Fees will be heard at the District Courtroom, Delaware County Courthouse, Jay, Oklahoma, when and where all persons interested may appear and contest the same.

DAVID CRUTCHFIELD
JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT COURT

Approved as to form:
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meeting.

Signed:

Chief Rosanna Dobbs

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR OTTAWA COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA

MCKENNA ANN NEESMITH

Petitioner,

- vs -

STEVEN PAUL DUFFIELD II,

Respondent,

No. FP-2025-37

SERVICE OF SUMMONS &

NOTICE OF HEARING

State of Oklahoma To: STEVEN PAUL DUFFIELD II, Natural Father of P.A.D. DOB 8/2/2024.

TAKE NOTICE that a Petition has been filed in the District Court of Ottawa County, Oklahoma, requesting that Petitioner, McKenna Ann Neesmith be granted custody of the minor child P.A.D.

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that you must file an Answer to the Petition on or before March 19, 2026, which is 41 days after date of first publication, or the allegations contained in the Petition will be taken as true and judgment will be entered against you and in favor of Petitioner as prayed for in the Petition.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that a hearing has been set at 10:00 am on March 26, 2026, before the Honorable Matt Whalen in the District Court of Ottawa

County, 102 East Central Avenue, Miami, Oklahoma, at which time you should appear and show cause why Petitioner should not be granted judgment requested in the Petition.

Given under my hand and seal on the 28th day of January, 2026.

Cassie Key, Court Clerk

By _____

Deputy Court Clerk

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Crossland Construction Company

is accepting bids for both the NEO

Student Union Galley Renovation

as well as the Harrill-Dobson

Interior Restroom Upgrades. A

pre-bid walk of the renovation

space is scheduled on February

3rd, 2026, at 2 PM Central and

will be held starting at the NEO

Student Union, 200 I Street NE,

Miami, Oklahoma. Attendance

at the pre-bid meeting is highly

recommended. Bids are due by

2:00PM on Tuesday, February 17,

2026 at the NEO Student Union,

Blue & Gold Room. Only hand

delivered bids accepted, no email

bids. The scope of work consists

of demo and remodel of the NEO

Student Union Galley as well

as the Harrill-Dobson Restroom

Upgrades.

Plans, Specifications, and all

other project specific information

will be available through the

Crossland Construction Columbus

Office at 620-429-1414. If you

are interested in bidding on this

project, please contact Nick

Humble at nhumble@crossland.

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