

Rock Creek splits with Osage City

3-8 and 5-4 (8) were the scores of the two games played on Thursday night in make up games played at St. George against Osage City.

In the top of the first inning, the Indians established the tone for the game getting three runs off of 3 hits and an error to take an early lead that the Mustangs couldn't ever regain. Carley Spicer (Osage City's pitcher) led her team to a state appearance last year and pitches with confidence. "We struggled again at the plate, hitting pop ups, and weak grounders and not really challenging their defense. It took us 5 innings to get things going, and by that time, we just run out of available outs. We are far more capable at the plate than we have showed in games lately, unfortunately the transfer from practice to game is escaping us." Jana Havens went 2-3 with the only extra base hit (double). Katie Hodges, Caitlyn Larson, Megan Srna and Lauren Overkamp each singled for the mustangs. The mustangs committed 3 errors and had a solid pitching outing from sophomore Katie Hodges, striking out 7, giving up no walks and holding Osage to only singles with 1 double.



In game two, the mustangs combined for 13 hits and held a 4-0 lead heading into the 7th. Osage City combined 2 singles and a triple along with 2 errors and a wild pitch to score 4 to tie up the game. Jana havens singled in the bottom of the 7th to threaten with the go ahead but was stranded. The defense held in the top of the 8th, and 3 singles in the bottom of the inning from Lauren Overkamp, Caitlyn Larson and the RBI single from Megan Srna ended the game. Taylor Ebert pitched for the win, striking out 6 and allowing only 1 earned run. Tonight, Caitlyn Larson and Jana Havens held their own offensively going 4/8 and 4/6 respectively. Becca Snapp had a timely 2 RBI double and our pitchers struck out 13 and as always keep us in games with their accuracy and location pitching. Lauren Overkamp had her 2nd long ball of the season that scored the first run of the second game with a leadoff homerun that cleared the fence.

"Osage is a good team. Last year they swept us, so a split with them is an improvement from a year ago – but we have to be hungry for more. We have some things in the next 6 games we need to correct and focus on so that come May 17th during regionals we are at our best." The mustangs will travel to Alma (6-6) on Tuesday and then host Silver Lake (10-0) for senior night before finishing the regular season on the road at Rossville (7-5). The mustangs are now 8-6 on the year.