

## Rock Creek JV Softball opens season with 2 wins

In games played on April 11, the young mustangs traveled to Clay Center for their first games of the season, winning the first in a come from behind fashion 10-8 and the second handily 19-4 after 4 innings.

Down 0-5 at the end of the first inning, the mustangs could have been in for a long game, but the defense tightened up and the offense came around, as well as the pitching. The mustangs had an explosive 4<sup>th</sup> inning, scoring 6 runs via 4 back to back hits from Codi Ebert, Alisha Banta, Breanna Stillwagon & Ashley McDaris and were helped in the same inning by a couple free passes via the tigers pitcher. The mustangs added some runs in the 6<sup>th</sup> and were able to retire Clay Center batters, despite having a bases loaded scare in the bottom of the 7<sup>th</sup>.

Alisha Banta pitched for the win, striking out 6. Mustangs combined for 9 hits, 2 doubles from catcher Ashley McDaris with 2 RBI's, and 2 singles each from Breanna Stillwagon (3 RBI's), Codi Ebert, and Alisha Banta. Kelsie Hudson hit a triple. The mustangs committed only 2 errors in the game.

Game two was a completely different type of game, the mustangs were allowed 12 free passes from the clay center tiger pitchers, and had 7 hits in the 19-4 run rule. Morgan Schwinn went 2-3 with 2 RBI's. Heather Gardner tripled (3 RBI's) and Codi Ebert tripled (2 RBI's) Dani Rakowitz doubled and Kerri Briggs & Macy Hawkins each singled in the game. Kelsie Hudson pitched for the win in game two allowing only 6 hits and striking out 4. Again, the mustangs were solid defensively only committing 2 errors.

The next mustang JV softball action will be Saturday, April 16<sup>th</sup> in a home triangular against opponents Royal Valley & Jeff West. The mustangs will play the first & third games of the day, with the first game slated to be a 10:00 start. The mustangs will host St. Mary's jv on Tuesday, April 19<sup>th</sup> – 4:00 start.