



Victoria Nichols will be a key leader for the Vikings.

MGM girls could be even stronger with veterans back

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When coming off a successful season that included a trip to the state tournament, it's not hard to imagine there is still some unfinished business.

That's the feeling Mary G. Montgomery head coach Hailey Culbreth probably has heading into the 2019 season as the Vikings are coming off a 33-18 season which ended with a trip to the Class 7A state tournament and a 9-3 loss to eventual state champion Fairhope.

"We had a great season last year and we're returning seven starters," she said.

The strength of the Viking softball team, Culbreth said, is an intangible — a feeling of family.

"It's the way the members of the team get along so well," Culbreth said. "We have some awesome leaders, and there's a family dynamic; they get along so well."

There's also another strength — leadership. While there are only three seniors on the team, two — Baylee Buck and Haley Pierce — are among the returning starters. Buck will likely play first or third base, while Pierce is the catcher. The third senior, Kadie Wall, will probably play in the outfield, but Culbreth said there's the chance she could see action elsewhere.

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