

# CCA softball wins second straight championship

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The Clinton Christian Academy softball team won their second straight state championship over Bowling Green school.

In game one, the girls were trailing four to three in the last inning, when Makiya Hunter hit a three-run HR to lift the Lady Warriors to the victory. Hanna Zeitz and Iris Farve both hit home runs in the game.

In game two, Rilee Evans hit a three-run triple, and Hanna Zeitz pitched a complete game to secure the four-to-two win. CCA finished the season with the best record in all of MAIS at thirty-two and three. The girls went undefeated in district, at south state and state by winning their last eighteen games. In the playoffs, the girls outscored their opponents eighty-nine to twelve and went ten and zero.

For the season, the Lady Warriors scored 306 runs and had one of the strongest offenses in the state. Junior Maddie Weeks lead the team with fifty-three hits, fifty-one runs scored and a .510 batting average. She had fourteen doubles, four triples and two home runs while playing strong defense at shortstop. Senior Makiya Hunter scored eleven home runs, drove in forty-four and scored forty-two times as the main power source for CCA. Iris Farve lead the squad with forty-five RBI's and was second



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Pictured (l to r) are, front row: Jenna Mosely, Annalise Whitworth, Addison Crowder and Ramsey Evans; and back row: Head Coach Josh Zeitz, Assistant Coach Brian Weeks, Molly Mosely, Robin Neblett, Ashlyn Albritton, Ella Craft, Alayna Lee, Megan Bruner, Makiya Hunter, Taelor York, Iris Farve, Hanna Zeitz, Maddie Weeks, Rilee Evans, Maddie Bruner, Audrey Bryson and Assistant Coach Kevin Albritton.

on the team with five home runs while also hitting thirteen doubles. Senior Rae Rae York batted lead-off and provided the speed at the top of the lineup by scoring forty-eight runs and stealing sixteen bases. Hanna Zeitz was second on the team with a .481 batting average and led the Warriors with sixteen doubles while never striking out in 119 plate appearances. Freshman Maddie Bruner, according to coach-

es, stepped up at the catcher position and did a great job handling the CCA pitchers. Clinton Christian had to replace their entire outfield from last year and were able to do that, thanks to the contribution of three sophomores. Coaches say Meghan Bruner, Robin Neblett and Audrey Bryson all had solid years in the field while coming up with some timely hits.

Reigning AA player of the year,

Hanna Zeitz was once again dominant in the pitching circle for the Warriors. Zeitz went twenty-nine and three with a 1.70 era and struck out 201 batters in 175 innings. She had twelve shutouts and three no hitters for the season. Zeitz went ten and zero in the playoffs; CCA allowed only twelve runs in the ten playoff games, as the girls played great defense behind her, according to coaches.

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