

Meet the 2020 Greene County WILDCATS

Sophomore



#14 **Parker ERRINGTON**
2nd Base

Sophomore



#16 **Brayden BREWER**
Short Stop

Sophomore



#17 **Garrett HENDERSON**
Pitcher

Sophomore



#18 **Jacob CAVER**
Outfield

Sophomore



#23 **Conner WEST**
1st Base / Pitcher

Sophomore



#24 **Keaton HOLLINGHEAD**
Pitcher/Outfield

Sophomore



#25 **Ethan ROBERTS**
1st / 3rd Base

Sophomore



#28 **Brendon SPEAR**
Outfield

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Dylan Miller is another experienced senior Chatham is expecting a lot from this season. Miller's 15 runs-batted-in a year ago leads the team among returning players. So far, Miller has been one of the team's hottest hitters with four hits in seven at-bats with three RBIs and five runs scored.

Senior Kade Kittrell saw a lot of action last season, playing in 29 games, but only had 40 at-bats to his credit as a junior. That will change this year as Kittrell will be in the daily lineup and get a lot more opportunities. So far he is making good use of his chances with two RBIs and three runs scored.

"Kade is a great baserunner who we expect to be a contact guy for us in the line-up who never strikes out," Chatham said. "If he can produce offensively as well as he does defensively, he will have a great season."

"Dylan will hit in the middle of the line-up and has tons of experience at the varsity level. We are looking for him to be a big part of our line-up, as well as a great leader on the field."

Chatham also sees an increased role for senior Bradley Snyder. The soccer standout was primarily a pinch runner in 2019 and will contribute heavily in that role again this year, while also competing for starting time in the outfield.

Other players Chatham says to keep an eye on offensively are sophomores Brayden Brewer and Ethan Roberts, along with freshman Phillip Herring. Brewer had a great first start for GCHS, going 2-for-3 with two runs scored and three RBIs in the Cat's season-opening win over Richton. He followed that with four hits, three runs scored and a team-leading eight RBIs in the Cats' two wins on Saturday.

"Brayden has great instincts



Photo by Randy Whitley / for the Greene County Herald

Sophomore Braden Brewer is one of a handful of young players expected to be key contributors this year. Shown here is Coach Kaelin Moore reacting to a nice hustle play by Brewer to reach base safely against Richton.

and I expect he will be a very good contact guy for us at the plate and will find ways to get on base," Chatham said. "Ethan is another player who has tons of potential. He can hit very well and I am hoping that at some point this year he makes it hard for me to keep him out of the lineup. Phillip Herring is another young player who could factor in at the plate at times."

Sophomore Jace Lott has his hands full as the Cats' starting catcher, but has shown he can handle the bat as well with three RBIs in the win over Natchez on Saturday.

Sophomore Gannon Henderson, juniors Jackson Dueitt, Caymon Floore and Cole Hillman and senior Malachi Graham will also be looked to for production. Graham had two RBIs in the Cats' 7-2 win over Richton to start the season and picked up another RBI and a run scored on Saturday.

"We are going to need

Malachi to be another one of those guys who puts the ball in play and makes things happen," Chatham said. "Gannon has a lot of speed and if he ever gets all of his skills polished, he will be a special player to watch."

"Dueitt, Floore and Hillman are all good players and whichever is swinging the bat the best will be the one in the lineup. For all of our young players, there will definitely be a learning curve. I expect them to have their ups and downs, but hopefully they will learn from their struggles as they find ways to contribute."

However the lineup shakes out, expect this year's Wildcat squad to be another Chatham team that is fun to watch when up to bat. Wildcat teams under Chatham are aggressive at the plate and on the bases and the fourth year coach doesn't mind switching things up as he did using back-to-back bunts to score a run against Petal.

LET'S GO WILDCATS!



Olivia Eubanks
LUMC Member
& GCHS Lady Cat

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- Isaiah 40:31



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