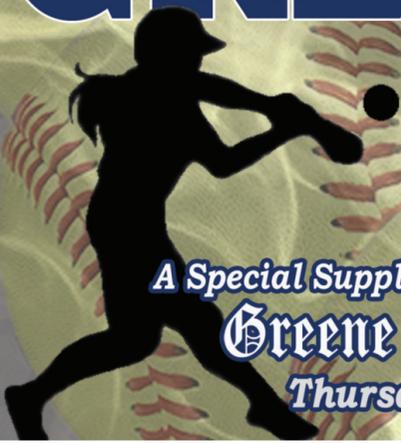


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Softball SPOTLIGHT 2020

GCHS goals include region title, playoff run

Talent and experience level high around Lady Cats' softball complex

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By all measures but one the Greene County softball program had one of its most successful seasons last year. The Lady Cats finished with a 13-8 overall record and won their final four games of the season.

Unfortunately, a 5-5 record in region play pushed them to the status of "first team out" in the playoff picture, leaving the Lady Cats out of the postseason.

The 2020 version of Coach Tyler Barham's team has a lot of goals. Number one on that list is to crack through that barrier and not only get GCHS back in the playoff hunt, but to make a deep run at a championship. Looking

at Barham's roster, that isn't a far-fetched notion.

"My first thought before we got started is that this is the year to be cautiously optimistic," Barham said after a recent practice. "We are returning a lot of experience including all three of our pitchers from a year ago." "We feel good about where we are as a team and are excited about getting this season in full swing."

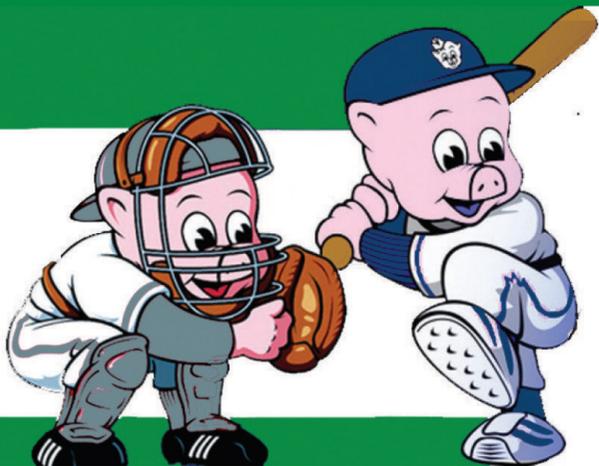
Barham isn't the only one that is cautiously optimistic about the Lady Cats chances. Collegiate coaches have started to take notice of his roster and several of his players have standing offers to play at the next level or are already committed to a college. Barham does a solid job of promoting his players to colleges, but plays down the significance of that attention, pointing out that there is a lot of strong competition ahead of his team.

"We are trying to focus on one practice at a time and one game at a time," Barham said. "I am



Sophomore third baseman CharLee Meadows is shown making a throw for an out against D'Iberville this past Saturday, while sophomore pitcher Charleigh Stewart and junior catcher Tiana Caver look on. The three girls are part of a very experienced roster for the Lady Wildcats this season.

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