



2008
TIGER **Baseball**



DAKOTA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY

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Adam Neisius
Head Baseball Coach

Adam Neisius enters his 10th season as head baseball coach at Dakota Wesleyan University. He has brought consistent national recognition and a winning tradition to the Tiger baseball program during the past nine years with an overall record of 237-185. Nationally, DWU baseball has finished in the top 40 three out of the last six years, including a two-week stint in the top 25 during the 2005 season. Of the 19 teams in Region III, DWU has finished no lower than 3rd in the final regional standings.

Under Neisius' leadership, the Tigers have qualified for the NAIA National Regional Tournament four times during the last six seasons, won the Great Plains Athletic Conference Tournament Championship in 2004 and 2005, won the GPAC Regular Season Championship in 2002 and 2005, and have made nine consecutive GPAC and SDIC tournament appearances.

In 2005, Neisius was selected as the NAIA Region IV Coach-of-the-Year, as well as the GPAC Coach-of-the-Year.

Since 1999, 81 DWU team and individual records have been broken. In 2002, Neisius became the head baseball coach with the most wins in DWU history. The following year he became the first baseball coach in DWU history to win 100 games when the team defeated Midland Lutheran College 13-6. Neisius surpassed the 150-win mark in 2005. His overall record stands at 237-185, with 31 of those wins against NCAA Division II opponents, as well as defeating Division I South Dakota State University in 2005. That win marks the first team victory in DWU sports history against a Division I opponent. Over the past nine seasons, the Tigers are 130-76 in conference play, 102-55 in the GPAC and an incredible 118-51 at their beautiful home stadium at Cadwell Park.

Under Neisius' leadership, 74 players have been named to All-Conference teams, 12 players to All-Region teams, nine players to NAIA All-America teams, two *ESPN the Magazine* Academic All-Americans, and 17 student-athletes have been selected as NAIA Scholar-Athletes. Under Neisius, three players have been voted GPAC Players-of-the-Year and two NAIA Region Players-of-the-Year. The 2006 season was a history-making year for Dakota Wesleyan baseball, as well as the GPAC. DWU's own Ben Jukich was drafted by the Oakland A's in the 13th round of the Major League Baseball amateur draft. Jukich joins six other players under Neisius to sign a professional contract, but he is the first one to be drafted.

Neisius earned a degree in behavioral sciences from DWU in 1995 and then earned a master's degree in physical education from the University of Northern Colorado. Coach Neisius serves as the sports management department chair, as well as the director of baseball operations for the Mitchell Baseball Association.

2008 Baseball Schedule

February

3	at Ottawa University (DH)	Ottawa, Kan.	1 p.m.
9	at St. Gregory's University (DH)	Shawnee, Okla.	1 p.m.
10	at Bethany College (1-9)	Lindsborg, Kan.	Noon
10	at Oklahoma City University (1-9)	Oklahoma City, Okla.	Noon

March

1	vs. Bellevue University (1-9)	Wichita, Kan.	10 a.m.
1	vs. Avila College (1-9)	Wichita, Kan.	4 p.m.
3	at Oklahoma Baptist University (1-9)	Shawnee, Okla.	2:30 p.m.
4	at Oklahoma Christian University (1-9)	Oklahoma City, Okla.	2 p.m.
5	at Oklahoma City University (1-9)	Oklahoma City, Okla.	3 p.m.
11	DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY (1-9)	HOME	3 p.m.
12	BRIAR CLIFF UNIVERSITY	HOME	3 p.m.
15	NORTHERN STATE UNIVERSITY (DH)	HOME	1 p.m.
18	at Univ. of Nebraska-Kearney (DH)	Kearney, Neb.	4 p.m.
21	at Doane College (DH)*	Crete, Neb.	1 p.m.
22	at Midland Lutheran College (DH)*	Fremont, Neb.	1 p.m.
26	at Northern State University (DH)	Aberdeen, S.D.	2 p.m.
28	NORTHWESTERN COLLEGE (DH)*	HOME	4 p.m.
30	NEBRASKA WESLEYAN UNIV. (DH)*	HOME	1 p.m.

April

4	DORDT COLLEGE (DH)*	HOME	5 p.m.
6	at Morningside College (DH)*	Sioux City, Iowa	1:30 p.m.
9	DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY (1-9)	HOME	6 p.m.
12	HASTINGS COLLEGE (DH)*	HOME	1 p.m.
13	CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY (DH)*	HOME	2 p.m.
15	at South Dakota State University (DH)	Brookings, S.D.	3 p.m.
19	BRIAR CLIFF UNIVERSITY (DH)*	HOME	1 p.m.
20	at Dana College (DH)*	Blair, Neb.	1 p.m.
22	at South Dakota State University (1-9)	Brookings, S.D.	3 p.m.
24	at University of Sioux Falls (DH)*	Sioux Falls, S.D.	5 p.m.
26	at Mount Marty College (DH)*	Yankton, S.D.	2 p.m.
28	SIoux FALLS CANARIES (exhibition)	HOME	6:30 p.m.

May

1-3	GPAC Tournament	Sioux Falls, S.D.
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* Indicates Great Plains Athletic Conference opponent



Robert Stockton
Assistant Coach/
Pitching Coach



Dion Parks
Graduate Assistant
Coach/Hitting Coach

Thomas Gullede
Assistant Coach/
Strength and
Conditioning Coach

Adam Neisius'

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2008 DWU Baseball Numerical Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.	Hometown/Previous School
1	Zach Schmidt	INF	R/R	5-10	185	Sr.	Rawlins, Wyo./Rawlins High School
2	Chris Dennis	LHP	L/L	5-10	160	Sr.	Centennial, Colo./Univ. of Northern Colorado
3	Freddie Janssen	RHP	S/R	5-11	185	Sr.	Olney Springs, Colo./Otero Junior College
4	Corey Marek	RHP	R/R	5-9	175	Fr.	Mitchell, S.D./Mitchell High School
5	Shannon Sandoval	OF	R/R	5-10	175	Fr.	Overton, Nev./Moapa Valley High School
6	Chris Baker	RHP	R/R	5-11	175	Sr.	Milwaukie, Ore./Western Texas College
7	Zach Huston	INF	R/R	5-10	175	Jr.	Windsor, Colo./Garden City Junior College
8	Mark Wood	INF	L/R	5-9	180	Jr.	Lakewood, Colo./Dodge City Comm. College
9	Sean Heary	1B/DH	R/R	6-1	195	Jr.	Yakima, Wash./Big Bend Community College
11	Jake Roy	OF/C	R/R	5-10	205	Sr.	Corvallis, Ore./Linn-Benton Community College
12	Ryan Santiago	LHP/OF	L/L	5-9	175	So.	Plano, Texas/Salt Lake City Comm. College
13	Jered Betancourt	OF	R/R	5-9	175	Sr.	Elko, Nev./Lassen Community College
14	Eric Nelson	RHP	R/R	6-0	185	Jr.	Albuquerque, N.M./Montezuma High School
15	Thomas Pickett	RHP	R/R	6-4	225	Fr.	Lead, S.D./Lead High School
16	Phil Johnson	1B	L/R	6-3	240	So.	Mitchell, S.D./South Dakota State University
17	Colin Hacker	INF	R/R	5-9	160	So.	Conifer, Colo./Conifer High School
18	Andrew Behan	INF	L/R	5-8	145	Fr.-RS	Fountain, Colo./Fountain-Fort Carson High School
19	Trevor Salmonson	1B	R/R	6-2	190	Fr.-RS	Mitchell, S.D./Mitchell High School
21	Sean Worley	INF	R/R	5-10	180	Jr.	Yakima, Wash./Yakima Valley Comm. College
22	Jeff Bollard	C	R/R	6-1	180	Sr.	Broomfield, Colo./Metro State College
23	Josh Pritt	INF	R/R	6-0	165	Sr.	South Albany, Ore./Linn-Benton Comm. College
24	Robert Stevens	RHP	R/R	5-9	190	Sr.	Newport, Ore./Linn-Benton Community College
25	Jordan Robinson	OF	R/R	5-10	160	Fr.-RS	Lakewood, Colo./Green Mountain High School
26	Terry Lundeen	OF	L/L	5-10	175	Jr.	Polson, Mont./Miles City Community College
27	Thomas Mack	1B	L/L	6-0	205	Jr.	Mobridge, S.D./Mobridge High School
28	Lucas Hill	INF	R/R	5-5	150	Fr.-RS	Hygiene, Colo./Lyons High School
29	Arnaldo Colon	RHP	R/R	6-2	195	Fr.	Bayamon, P.R./Puerto Rico Baseball Academy
30	Nate Kropuenske	OF	L/L	5-10	165	Fr.-RS	Hartford, S.D./South Dakota State University
32	Brandon Price	LHP	L/L	5-11	190	Jr.	Moses Lake, Wash./Big Bend Comm. College
33	Brandon Weber	OF	R/R	5-9	165	Jr.	Omaha, Neb./Millard South High School
34	Nate Ray	OF	R/R	5-8	195	Fr.-RS	Billings, Mont./Billings West High School
37	Patrick Dennis	LHP/1B	R/L	6-0	230	Fr.	Centennial, Colo./Arapahoe High School
44	Scott Schmidt	INF	R/R	6-2	210	Jr.	Mitchell, S.D./University of Sioux Falls
50	Kyle Isaacson	OF/C	B/R	6-0	220	Jr.	Seattle, Wash./Highland Community College

RS – Redshirt

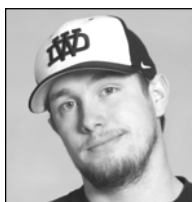
Head Baseball Coach: Adam Neisius (Dakota Wesleyan '95)

Pitching Coach/Recruiting Coordinator: Robert Stockton (Dakota Wesleyan '05)

Graduate Assistant: Dion Parks **Assistant Coach/Strength and Conditioning:** Thomas Gulledge



#1 Zach Schmidt
INF • R/R • Sr.
Rawlins, Wyo.



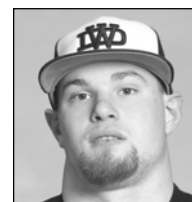
#2 Chris Dennis
LHP • L/L • Sr.
Centennial, Colo.



#3 Freddie Janssen
RHP • S/R • Sr.
Olney Springs, Colo.



#6 Chris Baker
RHP • R/R • Sr.
Milwaukie, Ore.



#11 Jake Roy
OF/C • R/R • Sr.
Corvallis, Ore.



#13 Jered Betancourt
OF • R/R • Sr.
Elko, Nev.



#22 Jeff Bollard
C • R/R • Sr.
Broomfield, Colo.



#23 Josh Pritt
INF • R/R • Sr.
South Albany, Ore.



#24 Robert Stevens
RHP • R/R • Sr.
Newport, Ore.

Seasons Win-Loss Records

Year	W	L	Coach
1887	0	0	NA
1888	NA	NA	NA
1889	NA	NA	NA
1900	4	2	NA
1901	NA	NA	NA
1902	NA	NA	NA
1903	NA	NA	NA
1904	NA	NA	NA
1905	4	2	Clarion Hardy
1906	6	3	Clarion Hardy
1907	0	2	Clarion Hardy
1908	2	3	Clarion Hardy
1909	3	2	Clarion Hardy
1910	NA	NA	Clarion Hardy
1911	4	3	Ralph Douglas
1912	NA	NA	Ralph Douglas
1913	4	3	Clarion Hardy
1914	8	2	Chester Dillion
1915	3	5	Chester Dillion
1916	NA	NA	Chester Dillion
1917	NA	NA	Chester Dillion
1918	NA	NA	Chester Dillion
1919	10	0	Bud Dougherty
1920	NA	NA	NA
1957	5	3	None
1969	NA	NA	None
1971	NA	NA	Kruger
1981	1	16	Ed Meierkort
1982	NA	NA	NA
1983	NA	NA	NA
1984	NA	NA	NA
1985	7	17	NA
1986	16	12	Rich Downs
1987	NA	NA	Rich Downs
1988	15	19	Rich Downs
1989	7	21	Rich Downs
1990	5	24	Rich Downs
1991	10	19	Larry Traetow
1992	12	21	Larry Traetow
1993	10	20	Larry Traetow
1994	6	36	Larry Traetow
1995	5	27	Larry Traetow
1996	12	33	Craig Cheesman
1997	13	25	Craig Cheesman
1998	8	24	Craig Cheesman
1999	24	20	Adam Neisius
2000	18	31	Adam Neisius
2001	16	19	Adam Neisius
2002	27	17	Adam Neisius
2003	28	15	Adam Neisius
2004	33	22	Adam Neisius
2005	38	21	Adam Neisius
2006	29	22	Adam Neisius
2007	24	20	Adam Neisius

NAIA All-Americans

Ray Peterson	2000	Honorable Mention
Jacoby Marshall	2002	Honorable Mention
Cody Palmer	2003	Honorable Mention
Robert Stockton	2004	Honorable Mention
Thomas Gullede	2005	Honorable Mention
Chris Marek	2005	Honorable Mention
Robert Stockton	2005	Honorable Mention
Scott Eyears	2006	Honorable Mention
Ben Jukich	2006	Honorable Mention

CoSIDA Academic All-American®

Nick Gianou	2006	Second Team
David Anderson	2007	First Team

NAIA All-America Scholar-Athletes

Russ Weier	1998
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Robert McCoy	2001
Luke Norden	2002
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Vince Offerman	2004
Matt Bruzewski	2005
Nick Gianou	2005
David Anderson	2006
Matt Bruzewski	2006
Nick Gianou	2006
Scott Moerike	2006
David Anderson	2007
Shane Cochran	2007
Scott Moerike	2007
Josh Oltmans	2007

Individual DWU Records

Season	Athlete	Record	Year
At Bats	Lonnie Moody	205	2005
Batting Average	Zach Watkins	.452	1999
Runs Scored	Cody Larson	60	1999
Hits	Thomas Gullede	78	2005
Hitting Game Streak	Eugene Kitchens	21	2001
Doubles	Thomas Gullede	16	2005
Home Runs	Cody Palmer	17	2002
RBI's	Thomas Gullede	61	2005
Slugging %	Cody Larson	.872	1999
Base on Balls	Cody Larson	43	1999
Sacrifice Bunts	Taylor Gantt	19	2002
Hit by Pitcher	Jake Roy	23	2007
Bases	Cody Larson	116	1999
Stolen Bases	Lonnie Moody	29-30	2005
Innings Pitched	Robert Stockton	104	2005
Strikeouts (Hitting)	David Roberts	10	2006
Fielding %	Lonnie Moody	1.000	2003
Putouts	Nick Gianou	366	2006
ERA	Jacoby Marshall	1.30	2002
Wins	Robert Stockton	10	2004
	Robert Stockton	10	2005
	Ben Jukich	10	2006
Base on Balls Allowed	Lee Mentele	4	1999
Saves	David Andersen	12	2007
Strikeouts (Pitching)	Ben Jukich	144 *	2006

* Led the nation



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