

NIU (31-16, 21-11 MAC) -vs- Western Michigan (25-23, 19-13 MAC)
5/15/2026 at Kalamazoo, Mich. (Hyames Field)

Score by Innings	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	R	H	E
NIU	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	5	1
Western Michigan	0	0	0	5	2	2	0	3	12	16	0

NIU 2

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	LOB
Wyatt Wawro rf	4	0	1	0	0	1	0
Nolan Sandee ss	4	0	0	0	0	1	0
Cole Smith 2b	3	1	1	0	0	1	0
Vinny Spotofora 3b	3	0	0	0	0	1	0
Gavin Baldwin 1b	3	1	1	2	0	1	0
Ivan Dahlberg c	2	0	2	0	1	0	0
Connor Mendell c	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Caden Robertson lf	3	0	0	0	0	2	1
Cooper Cohn lf	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Will Couchman dh	3	0	0	0	0	1	2
Charlie Parcell cf	3	0	0	0	0	1	0
Carter Cox p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nick Bassi p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tyler Deleskiewicz p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ben Kasten p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Connar Temple p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	28	2	5	2	1	9	3

HR: Gavin Baldwin (1)
SB: Ivan Dahlberg (1)
CS: Wyatt Wawro (1)
E: Vinny Spotofora (1)
DP: 1

Western Michigan 12

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	LOB
MALLY, Tanner cf	3	0	1	0	1	1	1
HOWARD, Drew 2b	5	1	3	2	0	2	2
MALONEY, Michael ss	5	1	1	0	0	0	1
THIELMAN, Avery 1b	4	3	3	2	1	0	2
RICK, Lucas dh	4	2	2	2	0	0	2
HUMS, Cooper pr	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
MENNECKE, Mark lf	5	2	2	0	0	0	0
PILARSKI, Mason 3b	4	0	2	2	0	1	0
ZAJAC, Nolan c	2	1	1	2	0	1	0
OSTRANDER, Connor rf	3	1	1	0	0	0	0
KIDD, Ricky p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SHAPIRO, Evan p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	35	12	16	10	2	5	8

2B: HOWARD, Drew (1); THIELMAN, Avery (1); RICK, Lucas (1);
MENNECKE, Mark (1)
HR: THIELMAN, Avery (1)
SH: PILARSKI, Mason (1); ZAJAC, Nolan (2)
HBP: MALLY, Tanner (1); RICK, Lucas (1); OSTRANDER, Connor (1)

NIU	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	WP	BK	HBP	IBB	AB	BF	FO	GO	NP
Carter Cox (L, 6-5)	3.1	7	5	4	0	4	0	0	3	0	16	20	3	2	61
Nick Bassi	1.2	3	2	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	7	8	0	5	23
Tyler Deleskiewicz	1.0	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	5	0	3	13
Ben Kasten	1.0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	3	5	1	1	21
Connar Temple	0.1	3	3	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	4	5	1	0	14
Totals		16	12	11	2	5	1	0	3	0	35	43	5	11	132

Western Michigan	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	WP	BK	HBP	IBB	AB	BF	FO	GO	NP
KIDD, Ricky (W, 8-1)	6.0	2	0	0	1	6	0	0	0	0	19	20	8	3	82
SHAPIRO, Evan	2.0	3	2	2	0	3	0	0	0	0	9	9	2	1	36
Totals		5	2	2	1	9	0	0	0	0	28	29	10	4	118

Win: KIDD, Ricky (8-1)
Loss: Carter Cox (6-5)
HBP: Carter Cox
PB: Ivan Dahlberg (1)

Umpires: Home Plate: Michael Wiseman First: Robert Lothian Third Base: Cory Hinga
Start: 2:07 pm **Time:** 2:20 **Attendance:** 281 **Weather:** Overcast, 64, wind SSW 4 mph

Play By Play

NIU - Top of 1st	NIU	WMU
W. Wawro struck out swinging (2-2 BKKBS).	0	0
N. Sandee grounded out to 1b unassisted (1-2 BSS).	0	0
C. Smith struck out swinging (3-2 KFBBS).	0	0
Runs: 0 Hits: 0 Errors: 0 Left On Base: 0		

Western Michigan - Bottom of 1st	NIU	WMU
MALLY, T. singled through the right side (1-2 KBF).	0	0
HOWARD, D. struck out looking (0-2 FSK).	0	0
MALONEY, Mi. reached on a fielder's choice (2-2 BFSB); MALLY, T. out at second ss to 2b.	0	0
THIELMAN, A. singled to center field (1-1 KB); MALONEY, Mi. advanced to third.	0	0
RICK, L. flied out to rf (1-1 KB).	0	0
Runs: 0 Hits: 2 Errors: 0 Left On Base: 2		

NIU - Top of 2nd	NIU	WMU
V. Spotofora struck out swinging (1-2 BKSS).	0	0
G. Baldwin flied out to rf down the rf line (1-2 BSF).	0	0
I. Dahlberg walked (3-2 BBKFBF).	0	0
C. Robertson grounded out to ss (2-1 SBB).	0	0
Runs: 0 Hits: 0 Errors: 0 Left On Base: 1		

Western Michigan - Bottom of 2nd	NIU	WMU
MENNECKE, M. popped up to 2b (0-0).	0	0
PILARSKI, M. struck out looking (1-2 KSBK).	0	0
ZAJAC, N. struck out swinging (3-2 BBKBKS).	0	0
Runs: 0 Hits: 0 Errors: 0 Left On Base: 0		

NIU - Top of 3rd	NIU	WMU
W. Couchman struck out swinging (0-2 KKS).	0	0
C. Parcell grounded out to 2b (0-1 F).	0	0
W. Wawro singled to right center (1-0 B).	0	0
W. Wawro out at second c to ss, caught stealing.	0	0
Runs: 0 Hits: 1 Errors: 0 Left On Base: 0		

Western Michigan - Bottom of 3rd	NIU	WMU
OSTRANDER, C singled to left field (1-2 BKK).	0	0
MALLY, T. struck out looking (0-2 FFK).	0	0
HOWARD, D. singled to left field (0-0); OSTRANDER, C advanced to second.	0	0
MALONEY, Mi. grounded into double play 3b to 1b (0-0); OSTRANDER, C out on the play.	0	0
Runs: 0 Hits: 2 Errors: 0 Left On Base: 1		

NIU - Top of 4th	NIU	WMU
N. Sandee flied out to cf (0-0).	0	0
C. Smith fouled out to rf (0-1 K).	0	0
V. Spotofora flied out to lf (1-1 SB).	0	0
Runs: 0 Hits: 0 Errors: 0 Left On Base: 0		

Western Michigan - Bottom of 4th	NIU	WMU
THIELMAN, A. doubled to left field (1-0 B).	0	0
RICK, L. hit by pitch (0-0).	0	0
MENNECKE, M. singled through the right side (0-1 K); RICK, L. advanced to second; THIELMAN, A. advanced to third.	0	0
MENNECKE, M. advanced to second; RICK, L. advanced to third; THIELMAN, A. scored on a passed ball.	0	1
PILARSKI, M. popped up to 2b (3-2 BBKBFF).	0	1
ZAJAC, N. reached on a throwing error by 3b, SAC, advanced to second on the error, RBI (0-1 S); MENNECKE, M. scored; RICK, L. scored.	0	3
OSTRANDER, C hit by pitch (2-0 BB).	0	3
MALLY, T. hit by pitch (0-2 FK); OSTRANDER, C advanced to second; ZAJAC, N. advanced to third.	0	3

HOWARD, D. doubled to left field, 2 RBI (2-0 BB); MALLY, T. advanced to third; OSTRANDER, C scored; ZAJAC, N. scored, unearned.	0	5
N. Bassi to p for C. Cox.	0	5
MALONEY, Mi. reached on a fielder's choice, advanced to second (1-0 B); HOWARD, D. advanced to third; MALLY, T. out at home 3b to c to 3b to p.	0	5
THIELMAN, A. grounded out to 3b (0-0).	0	5
Runs: 5 Hits: 3 Errors: 1 Left On Base: 2		

NIU - Top of 5th

	NIU	WMU
G. Baldwin struck out looking (1-2 SFBK).	0	5
I. Dahlberg singled to right field (1-1 KB).	0	5
C. Robertson struck out swinging (2-2 KKBBS).	0	5
I. Dahlberg stole second.	0	5
W. Couchman flied out to lf (1-2 SKB).	0	5
Runs: 0 Hits: 1 Errors: 0 Left On Base: 1		

Western Michigan - Bottom of 5th

	NIU	WMU
RICK, L. singled to left field (0-0).	0	5
MENNECKE, M. doubled down the rf line (2-2 FBBF); RICK, L. advanced to third.	0	5
PILARSKI, M. out at first 1b to 2b, SAC, bunt, RBI (1-1 BK); MENNECKE, M. advanced to third; RICK, L. scored.	0	6
ZAJAC, N. singled to center field, RBI (0-2 KKF); MENNECKE, M. scored.	0	7
OSTRANDER, C grounded out to 1b unassisted (1-1 KB); ZAJAC, N. advanced to second.	0	7
ZAJAC, N. advanced to third on a wild pitch.	0	7
MALLY, T. grounded out to ss (2-1 FBB).	0	7
Runs: 2 Hits: 3 Errors: 0 Left On Base: 1		

NIU - Top of 6th

	NIU	WMU
C. Parcell flied out to cf (2-2 KSFBB).	0	7
W. Wawro flied out to cf (2-2 BBFK).	0	7
N. Sandee flied out to cf to left center (2-1 BKB).	0	7
Runs: 0 Hits: 0 Errors: 0 Left On Base: 0		

Western Michigan - Bottom of 6th

	NIU	WMU
Deleskiewicz to p for N. Bassi.	0	7
HOWARD, D. singled to shortstop (0-1 K).	0	7
MALONEY, Mi. grounded out to 2b (0-0); HOWARD, D. advanced to second.	0	7
THIELMAN, A. homered to left center, 2 RBI (2-0 BB); HOWARD, D. scored.	0	9
RICK, L. grounded out to 3b (0-2 KKF).	0	9
MENNECKE, M. grounded out to 2b (1-1 FB).	0	9
Runs: 2 Hits: 2 Errors: 0 Left On Base: 0		

NIU - Top of 7th

	NIU	WMU
SHAPIRO, E. to p for KIDD, R..	0	9
C. Smith singled to left field (2-0 BB).	0	9
V. Spotofora flied out to lf (1-2 BSSF).	0	9
G. Baldwin homered to left center, 2 RBI (0-0); C. Smith scored.	2	9
I. Dahlberg singled through the right side (2-2 BKKFBFFF).	2	9
C. Robertson struck out looking (0-2 KSK).	2	9
W. Couchman lined out to ss (1-2 SBS).	2	9
Runs: 2 Hits: 3 Errors: 0 Left On Base: 1		

Western Michigan - Bottom of 7th

	NIU	WMU
B. Kasten to p for Deleskiewicz.	2	9
C. Cohn to lf for C. Robertson.	2	9
PILARSKI, M. singled to third base (0-0).	2	9
ZAJAC, N. grounded out to p, SAC, bunt (1-0 B); PILARSKI, M. advanced to second.	2	9
OSTRANDER, C popped up to ss (2-2 BKFBF).	2	9
MALLY, T. walked (3-1 BBFB).	2	9
HOWARD, D. struck out swinging (3-2 BSSBBFS).	2	9
Runs: 0 Hits: 1 Errors: 0 Left On Base: 2		

NIU - Top of 8th

	NIU	WMU
C. Parcell struck out looking (1-2 BKKK).	2	9
W. Wawro out at first p to 2b to 1b (1-1 BK).	2	9
N. Sandee struck out swinging (1-2 KKBS).	2	9
Runs: 0 Hits: 0 Errors: 0 Left On Base: 0		

Western Michigan - Bottom of 8th

	NIU	WMU
C. Temple to p for B. Kasten.	2	9
C. Mendell to c for I. Dahlberg.	2	9
MALONEY, Mi. singled to left center (1-1 BF).	2	9
THIELMAN, A. walked (3-2 BBBKKB); MALONEY, Mi. advanced to second.	2	9
RICK, L. doubled to left field, 2 RBI (1-0 B); THIELMAN, A. scored; MALONEY, Mi. scored.	2	11
HUMS, C. pinch ran for RICK, L.	2	11
MENNECKE, M. lined out to ss (0-0).	2	11
PILARSKI, M. singled to left field, RBI (0-1 K); HUMS, C. scored.	2	12
Runs: 3 Hits: 3 Errors: 0 Left On Base: 1		