

Western Michigan (7-5) -vs- Butler (4-7)
2/21/2026 at Bowling Green, KY (WKU Softball Complex)

Score by Innings	1	2	3	4	5	6	R	H	E
Western Michigan	0	4	4	1	0	3	12	17	0
Butler	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	3	2

Western Michigan 12

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	LOB
Megan Malartisk rf	4	2	2	1	0	0	0
Hannah Herman 3b	3	2	2	1	1	0	0
Bella Duncan 1b	4	1	2	1	0	0	1
Jadeyn Merrill dh/p	3	2	3	5	1	0	0
Caitlin Tighe ss	3	0	1	0	0	0	2
Analeez Niles ph	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
Liliana Janeczko c	4	1	3	0	0	0	0
Emily Yacapraro pr	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Kendall Kotzmacher 2b	4	0	1	0	0	1	0
Parker Ostach cf	3	1	1	2	1	0	1
Rylee O'Brien lf	3	2	2	1	0	0	0
Hannah Potts p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	32	12	17	11	3	2	4

2B: Megan Malartisk (1); Rylee O'Brien (1)
HR: Jadeyn Merrill (2); Parker Ostach (1)

Butler 2

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	LOB
Cate Lehner cf	3	0	1	0	0	0	0
Hailey Conger rf	3	1	0	0	0	1	0
Makena Alexander 1b	2	1	1	2	1	1	0
Rachel Hunt pr	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kayla Preiss 2b/ss	2	0	0	0	1	1	1
Alona Boydston c	2	0	0	0	1	2	0
Emily Todor pr	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kieli Ryan dh	1	0	0	0	2	1	0
Kendall Graves ss/3b	3	0	1	0	0	2	0
Paige Lillie 3b	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Erin Clark ph	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
Paxton Law lf	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
Olivia Roberts lf/2b	2	0	0	0	0	1	5
Kate Murray p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Alyx Johnson p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	20	2	3	2	6	11	6

HR: Makena Alexander (1)
E: Kayla Preiss (1); Paige Lillie (1)
DP: 3

Western Michigan	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	WP	BK	HBP	IBB	AB	BF	FO	GO	NP
Hannah Potts	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-
Jadeyn Merrill (W, 1-0)	5.2	3	2	2	6	11	0	0	0	0	20	26	4	2	113
Totals		3	2	2	6	11	0	0	0	0	20	26	4	2	113

Butler	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	WP	BK	HBP	IBB	AB	BF	FO	GO	NP
Kate Murray (L, 2-2)	2.2	12	8	5	2	1	0	0	0	0	18	20	4	0	79
Alyx Johnson	3.1	5	4	3	1	1	0	0	0	0	14	15	3	4	47
Totals		17	12	8	3	2	0	0	0	0	32	35	7	4	126

Win: Jadeyn Merrill (1-0)
Loss: Kate Murray (2-2)
HBP: None
PB: None

Umpires: Home Plate: Roland Hammer First: Michelle Sandahl Third Base: Bobby Johnson
Start: 10 AM **Time:** 2:00 **Attendance:** 77 **Weather:** 50 and clear-ish

Play By Play

Western Michigan - Top of 1st	WMU	BUT
M. Malartisk singled to left field (2-2).	0	0
H. Herman fouled out to c, bunt (0-0); M. Malartisk out on the play.	0	0
Bella Duncan singled up the middle (3-2).	0	0
J. Merrill walked (3-1); Bella Duncan advanced to second.	0	0
C. Tighe flied out to rf (0-1).	0	0
Runs: 0 Hits: 2 Errors: 0 Left On Base: 2		

Butler - Bottom of 1st	WMU	BUT
J. Merrill to p.	0	0
/ for Hannah Potts.	0	0
Cate Lehner flied out to lf (3-1).	0	0
Hailey Conge struck out swinging (0-2).	0	0
Makena Alexa struck out swinging (3-2).	0	0
Runs: 0 Hits: 0 Errors: 0 Left On Base: 0		

Western Michigan - Top of 2nd	WMU	BUT
L. Janeczko singled through the left side (0-0).	0	0
K Kotzmacher struck out looking (2-2).	0	0
P. Ostach walked (3-0); L. Janeczko advanced to second.	0	0
E. Yacapraro pinch ran for L. Janeczko.	0	0
R. O'Brien doubled to right field,, RBI (3-2); P. Ostach advanced to third, out at home rf to 3b to c; E. Yacapraro scored.	1	0
M. Malartisk reached on a fielding error by 3b (0-0); R. O'Brien scored, unearned.	2	0
H. Herman singled through the left side (3-2); M. Malartisk advanced to second.	2	0
Bella Duncan singled to right center, RBI (0-1); H. Herman advanced to third; M. Malartisk scored, unearned.	3	0
J. Merrill singled to right field, RBI (2-2); Bella Duncan advanced to second, out at third rf to 3b; H. Herman scored, unearned.	4	0
Runs: 4 Hits: 5 Errors: 1 Left On Base: 1		

Butler - Bottom of 2nd	WMU	BUT
L. Janeczko to c for E. Yacapraro.	4	0
Kayla Preiss walked (3-1).	4	0
Alona Boydstruck out swinging (1-2).	4	0
Kieli Ryan walked (3-0); Kayla Preiss advanced to second.	4	0
Kendall Grav struck out swinging (2-2).	4	0
Paige Lillie walked (3-0); Kiel Ryan advanced to second; Kayla Preiss advanced to third.	4	0
Olivia Rober struck out swinging (2-2).	4	0
Runs: 0 Hits: 0 Errors: 0 Left On Base: 3		

Western Michigan - Top of 3rd	WMU	BUT
C. Tighe fouled out to rf (0-1).	4	0
L. Janeczko singled to right field (1-2).	4	0
K Kotzmacher fouled out to 1b (0-0).	4	0
P. Ostach homered to center field, 2 RBI (2-1); L. Janeczko scored.	6	0
R. O'Brien singled to left center (3-1).	6	0
M. Malartisk doubled to center field, RBI (0-0); R. O'Brien scored.	7	0
H. Herman singled to center field, RBI (2-2); M. Malartisk scored.	8	0
Alyx Johnson to p for Kate Murray.	8	0
Bella Duncan flied out to rf (0-1).	8	0
Runs: 4 Hits: 5 Errors: 0 Left On Base: 1		

Butler - Bottom of 3rd	WMU	BUT
Cate Lehner grounded out to 3b (0-0).	8	0
Hailey Conge flied out to lf (2-0).	8	0
Makena Alexa walked (3-2).	8	0
Rachel Hunt pinch ran for Makena Alexa.	8	0
Kayla Preiss fouled out to lf (0-2).	8	0

Runs: 0 Hits: 0 Errors: 0 Left On Base: 1

Western Michigan - Top of 4th

	WMU	BUT
Makena Alexa to 1b for Rachel Hunt.	8	0
J. Merrill homered to center field, RBI (1-0).	9	0
A. Niles pinch hit for C. Tighe.	9	0
A. Niles struck out swinging (3-2).	9	0
L. Janeczko singled to third base (2-2).	9	0
K Kotzmacher flied into double play rf unassisted (1-0); L. Janeczko out on the play.	9	0
Runs: 1 Hits: 2 Errors: 0 Left On Base: 0		

Butler - Bottom of 4th

	WMU	BUT
C. Tighe to ss for A. Niles.	9	0
Alona Boydst walked (3-1).	9	0
Emily Todor pinch ran for Alona Boydst.	9	0
Kieli Ryan struck out swinging (1-2).	9	0
Kendall Grav singled through the left side (2-2); Emily Todor advanced to second.	9	0
Erin Clark pinch hit for Paige Lillie.	9	0
Erin Clark struck out swinging (1-2).	9	0
Olivia Rober flied out to rf (1-1).	9	0
Runs: 0 Hits: 1 Errors: 0 Left On Base: 2		

Western Michigan - Top of 5th

	WMU	BUT
Alona Boydst to c for Emily Todor.	9	0
Paige Lillie to 3b for Erin Clark.	9	0
P. Ostach grounded out to 2b (2-2).	9	0
R. O'Brien flied out to lf (0-0).	9	0
M. Malartisk grounded out to ss (1-0).	9	0
Runs: 0 Hits: 0 Errors: 0 Left On Base: 0		

Butler - Bottom of 5th

	WMU	BUT
Cate Lehner singled to pitcher, bunt (1-1).	9	0
Hailey Conge reached on a fielder's choice to shortstop (1-2); Cate Lehner out at second ss unassisted.	9	0
Makena Alexa homered to left field, 2 RBI (1-1); Hailey Conge scored.	9	2
Kayla Preiss struck out swinging (1-2).	9	2
Alona Boydst struck out swinging (1-2).	9	2
Runs: 2 Hits: 2 Errors: 0 Left On Base: 0		

Western Michigan - Top of 6th

	WMU	BUT
Kayla Preiss to ss.	9	2
Kendall Grav to 3b.	9	2
Paxton Law to lf for Paige Lillie.	9	2
Olivia Rober to 2b.	9	2
H. Herman walked (3-0).	9	2
Bella Duncan reached on a fielding error by ss; H. Herman advanced to second.	9	2
J. Merrill homered to left field, 3 RBI (1-0); Bella Duncan scored, unearned; H. Herman scored.	12	2
C. Tighe singled up the middle (0-1).	12	2
L. Janeczko grounded into double play 3b to 2b to 1b (1-1); C. Tighe out on the play.	12	2
K Kotzmacher singled up the middle (2-0).	12	2
P. Ostach reached on a fielder's choice to second base (1-2); K Kotzmacher out at second 2b to ss.	12	2
Runs: 3 Hits: 3 Errors: 1 Left On Base: 1		

Butler - Bottom of 6th

	WMU	BUT
Kieli Ryan walked (3-2).	12	2
Kendall Grav struck out swinging (2-2).	12	2
Paxton Law struck out swinging (1-2).	12	2
Runs: 0 Hits: 0 Errors: 0 Left On Base: 1		