

Rison named to Class 4A-Division 1 all-state softball team



Molly Rison had a successful season for the Louisburg softball team as she earned all-league honors earlier this month, but most recently, Rison was named to the Class 4A-Division I all-state team.

Louisburg's Molly Rison had a junior season to remember for the Lady Cat softball team as she was one of the team's best offensive players, and because of that, she earned first team all-league honors.

Those honors continue to roll in for Rison, but this time, it is on a bigger level.

Rison was recently named to the Class 4A-Division I All-State second team that was decided on by the Kansas high school softball coaches. She was named to the second team infield thanks to her work at first base and at catcher.

"Molly earned a well-deserved honor," Louisburg coach John Ozier said. "She was the quiet leader of the team in clutch situations. With the struggles this team experienced this season, she remained consistent, driven, and focused on helping the team."

Rison had a big season for Louisburg as she led the Lady Cats in four statistical categories as she finished the season with a .508 average and had a .720 slugging percentage. She also had 33 hits on the year to go along with 10 doubles, one home run and 30 RBIs.

Rison was one of four Frontier League players to earn all-state honors. Spring Hill's Regan Smith (utility) and Elizabeth Hays (outfield), along with Eudora's Kyla Etter (pitcher), were selected to the first team.