Griggs signs on with Highland softball



Louisburg senior Karson Griggs recently signed her letter of intent to play softball at Highland Community College. Griggs is seated next to her parents Bert and Tiffani Griggs. Standing is her club coach Lee Storrer, Highland assistant Scott Jordan, Louisburg head coach John Ozier and Highland head coach Heidi Jordan.

Karson Griggs has played softball nearly her entire life and has made a lot of sacrifices along the way.

The Louisburg High School senior had dreams to hopefully play on the collegiate level, but she knew it was going to take a lot of hard work and dedication.

"Softball has probably been one of the biggest parts of my life," Griggs said. "I don't go out and hang out with friends that much during the summer. I go out and play softball with my teammates. I have worked so hard every night year-round and this makes it all worth it."

"This" was an opportunity she couldn't pass up.

On Nov. 14, Griggs signed her letter of intent to play softball at Highland Community College next season. She made it official in a room full of family and friends as she put pen to paper in a signing ceremony at LHS.

"I am very, very excited to join the Highland softball program," Griggs said. "They have a lot of great girls on their team and I know I can get a good education there. I am just really excited to get going."

Griggs joins a Scottie program that finished with a 34-9 record last season and advanced to the Region VI championship game, where they fell to Johnson County in a one run game.

Highland has recorded a lot of success under head coach Heidi Jordan and Griggs is looking forward to helping the Scotties continue their winning ways.

Griggs, who has played several positions for Louisburg this past three seasons, will transition to the outfield for Highland and she is ready for the opportunity to help in any way she can.



Karson Griggs, a 2-time all-league player, will be

joining the Highland softball program next year.

"They see me as an outfielder, so I get work a lot more with Coach Heidi on that and I think that will be really good for me and I am looking forward to that," Griggs said. "Coach Heidi and Coach Scott (Jordan) are both great coaches, and I think I will not only improve as a softball player, but academically as well."

Griggs has been one of Louisburg's top offensive players the last three seasons and has earned all-league honors the last two years. She ended last season with a .420 average, which included 23 hits, eight RBIs, six doubles and a home run as she hit near the top of the lineup most of the season. She also led the team with 29 runs scored.

When time came to look at different colleges in the offseason, one stood out among the rest and Griggs believes Highland is going to be a good fit.

"I think the fact that they responded to me sooner than a lot of other programs did, really meant a lot to me," she said. "The coaches are great and they are very parent-like and that is another reason why I like it. The school is good and has the programs that I want. Plus, it is not too close from home, but not too far away either.

"I would love to get in as a freshman and get some playing time. That way I can learn and get better, but I will do whatever the team asks of me. I would love to move on to a four-year school after this, but anywhere I can get a good education and play softball would be amazing."