

Madison signs on to play baseball at Labette Community College



Louisburg senior Matt Madison recently made it official as he signed his letter of intent to play baseball at Labette Community College.

Matt Madison has always loved the game of baseball and has played it ever since he can remember.

It started as a hobby and eventually grew into something way bigger for him.

"I started playing baseball when I was 7 and I played in the local recreation league in Louisburg," Madison said. "I played baseball as something to do for fun with friends. Then it grew in to a love and obsession for the game, to where I strived to do better at some aspect of it everyday."

As a senior at Louisburg High School, Madison wasn't ready to give up his love just yet.

In front of family at friends at the school, Madison signed his letter of intent to play baseball at Labette Community College and he is looking forward to what his future has in store for him.

"I am more than excited to be able to take my baseball talent and play to the next level," Madison said. "It means a lot to

me to be able to play at a higher level and to know that I can compete at that level as well.”

Playing collegiate baseball has always been a goal of Madison, but it all became a little trickier last year when COVID-19 hit and cancelled his junior season.



Senior Matt Madison signed his letter of intent to play baseball at Labette Community College. Seated next to Matt are his father Bill and mother Becki, along with his sister, Maggie.

It meant a potential year of playing and showcasing his talents went down the drain and Madison had some make up work to do. Luckily, he was able to find the right spot for him.

“Recruiting for me went well with the circumstances that COVID gave me,” Madison said. “I had already been talking to schools before the COVID shut down. Summer baseball really put me

ahead of the game recruiting wise. Being able to play this summer and get seen given the troubles with COVID, helped tremendously.”

With several options on the table before receiving an offer from Labette, Madison had a tough decision ahead of him, but in the end Labette gave him the best offer.

Madison, who is the Wildcat starting catcher this season, will do the same for Labette the next two years and is looking forward to getting to know his new team.

“What really stood out to me with Labette was the offer they gave me,” Madison said. “At the time of me touring the campus, I had already had 3 other offers from other schools. The offer Labette gave was way better than any of the other offers I had received from other schools. What really stood out to me was the league they are apart of. It’s a league where I could grow and have many options to go to from there. They recruited me as a catcher and DH.

“My expectations when I get on campus is to really get at it. I want to try to win that starting spot right when I step on campus. I want to see what I can do to help the school win a championship.”