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2026-27 NCBBA TEAM PREVIEW GUIDE

Team Name: Central Michigan University Women's Club Basketball

Mascot: Chippewas

Location: Mount Pleasant, Michigan

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Captains- Jordan Sterzick, Emma Travis, Rajalyaj Esquivel, Cadence Poll
Head Coach- Caitlin Smith

2025-2026 Performance (If applicable):

- Record: **4-6 ish**
- Tournament Rankings/Results: **None**
- Notables: **Lots of returners, highly skilled newcomers**

Number of Returning Players (Include starters): 10 returners (4 starters)

Players to Watch: Kiana Haywood, Savanna Conklin, Cadence Poll

New additions: 5

Biggest Rival: Michigan State

Best Player Nickname: Morgan Nyboer "Mo Mo"

2026-27 Season Outlook: We have strong leadership and vital role players returning as well as very skilled newbies. We're looking to make a big push to make the national tournament this year.

Head Coach Quote: "This year CMU club has lots of returning talent that is matched with some new young guards that play at a high pace. The length and speed gives the team a new look and an opportunity to play at a high level this season. We will continue to lean on the leadership and experience of our seniors, but are eager to mix things up with the very athletic and skilled underclassmen."



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Team Name: Michigan State University

Mascot: Spartans

Location: East Lansing, Michigan

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Coach- Jason Kline, Captains- Grace Schluckbier, Lucia Samu Rodriguez, Bella Hebert

2025-2026 Performance (If applicable):

- Record: 12-4
- Tournament Rankings/Results: NCBBA National Semifinalist
- Notables: Great Lakes North Runner-Up, Great Lakes Regional Runner-Up, National Semifinalist, Finished seasons ranked 3rd in in polls

Number of Returning Players (Include starters): 12 Returners- A. Schluckbier, G. Schluckbier, Hebert, Wardlow, Elias, Schomaker, Oakes, Saunders, Jewell, Samu Rodriguez, Mackerl, and Vaughan. 4 Starters returning- A. Schluckbier, G. Schluckbier, Hebert, Mackerl

Players to Watch: Bella Hebert, Grace Schluckbier, Audrey Wardlow, Audrey Schluckbier

New additions: Freshman- Mya Austin, Sarah Jesperson, and Tessa Lemke. Junior- Isabel Thelen

Biggest Rival: University of Michigan

Best Player Nickname: Big Red- Tessa Lemke

2026-27 Season Outlook: With a lot of returners, including 4 starters, and a strong incoming class we are looking to follow up on the success of reaching the National Tournament 2 years in a row and compete at the highest level again and try to get back to the top!



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Head Coach Quote: "I am very excited to get into the season and compete with best teams in the nation once again this year, and I believe we have a team that can compete with anyone and show that Michigan State is here to stay!"



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Team Name: Oakland University Women's Club Basketball

Mascot: Grizz (Grizzley bear)

Location: 569 Pioneer Drive, Rochester, Mi 48309

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Haleigh Guitar and Ava Uhl

2025-2026 Performance (If applicable):

- Record: N/A
- Tournament Rankings/Results: N/A
- Notables: N/A

Number of Returning Players (Include starters): 5

Players to Watch: N/A

New additions: 4

Biggest Rival: N/A

Best Player Nickname: Forky (Dalenna Bashi)

2026-27 Season Outlook: A new team looking to grow and prosper in the league.

Head Coach Quote: You miss 100% of the shots you don't take.