



# Spire Sportswire

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## NEWS

The National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics has added another distinction to an already impressive season for University of Saint Mary Spires Basketball guard Eric Avant, naming him as a Division II Honorable Mention All-American.

Avant, a sophomore from Olathe, Kan., had previously been named KCAC Newcomer of the Year by the Kansas Collegiate Athletic Conference and as a unanimous selection to the All-KCAC First Team. Earlier in the season, he was named Division II Men's Basketball Player of the Week by the NAIA, and he was twice tapped as a KCAC player of the week.

## BASEBALL & SOFTBALL

The weather continues to pose a challenge to USM's Baseball and Softball teams this season, as both teams had weekend games rained out.

The Spires Baseball Team managed to play a make-up doubleheader on Sunday, March 28, against Kansas Wesleyan University and dropped both games. The team will make up the originally scheduled home doubleheader against Kansas Wesleyan today, March 29, at 2 p.m.

The baseball team is currently 0-18 overall on the year and 0-6 in KCAC play.

The Lady Spires Softball Team, meanwhile, also saw a scheduling change after the two-day Avila University Softball Tournament slated for March 26 and 27 was rained out.

The team's record currently stands at 1-7 overall on the year. They play a doubleheader at KCAC foe Ottawa University at 3 p.m. Tuesday, March 30, in USM's first conference match-up of the season.

