

KENNESAW MOUNTAIN 12, NORTH COBB 3



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Above: Kennesaw Mountain catcher Boo Huddleston lays the tag on North Cobb's Carli Troutman, who tried unsuccessfully to score on an errant throw in the field. The Lady Mustangs escaped their winless start in region play, winning handily on the road. **Below:** North Cobb's Kayla Trumbull slides into the bag at third base as the ball gets away.

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Lady Mustangs get first region win after slow start

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KENNESAW — Kennesaw Mountain needed a region win if it wanted to remain in the discussion for a possible berth in the region championship series late next month.

The Lady Mustangs picked up that victory in decisive fashion Thursday night, winning at previously unbeaten North Cobb 12-3 in six innings.

Kennesaw Mountain (2-4, 1-2), the two-time defending Region 4AAAAAA champion, entered the game in danger of falling further behind region frontrunners Harrison and North Cobb (4-1, 2-1), but a 15-hit performance gave the Lady Mustangs a shot of adrenaline during its early-season swoon.

Boo Huddleston was 3-for-3 with two RBIs, while Kelli McGrail was 2-for-4 with four RBIs.



"I told them (Thursday) was a big game," Kennesaw Mountain coach Lisa Chapman said. "Playing our first three games in the region on the road and being 0-2, we needed

this. We needed this for our confidence. We came out of the gate 1-4, so everybody's second-guessing themselves on the type of team we are. To see the bats come alive like that, and get

good pitching from (Kathryn) Woody was what we needed."

The game started out on a bad note for Kennesaw Mountain.

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