

Falcon Softball Friends and Families,

These are exciting times for East Central College Softball! Practices began on August 16th, a week before classes, and we have just completed a successful fall campaign with doubleheaders against St. Charles CC, Missouri Baptist, and Mineral Area CC, as well playing single games against Hannibal LaGrange and Lewis and Clark. Now that the hard work is done, we are ready to put our field "to bed" for the winter, while continuing to focus on academics and conditioning. *Speaking of academics ...*

The softball team's academic success has led the way to the ECC Athletic Department winning the *Missouri Community College Athletic Conference award for the highest GPA in eleven of the past thirteen years*. The softball team set a team record for its highest single season GPA and was named a 2018 Easton/NFCA Top Ten Academic Team, *while posting a 3.57 team GPA*, which ranked 6th in *the nation for all junior colleges!*

Last year, **Taylor Hanger was named ECC's Female Scholar Athlete of the Year** and we added **5** more NJCAA Academic All-Americans, *giving us a total of 56 over the past 14 years!* Along with winning Regional Championships in four of the past ten years, *we want to be Champions in the Classroom every year!*





At this time we are seeking contributions, of any amount, to our softball program. If you are able to, and would like to, we would appreciate any help you can give. If not, we would still love to see you at our games next spring! You can find the softball schedule on our website: <u>www.eastcentral.edu</u> Thank You!

*Checks can be made out to: <u>East Central College Softball</u> and mailed in the self-addressed, postage paid envelope provided. Please include your player's name(s) on the "Memo" line of the check. *You can also VENMO to @Franklin-Falcon-ECC, make sure to include SOFTBALL and your player's name. (Ex. SOFTBALL-Hanger)

(If possible, we'd like to receive donations by December 15th)