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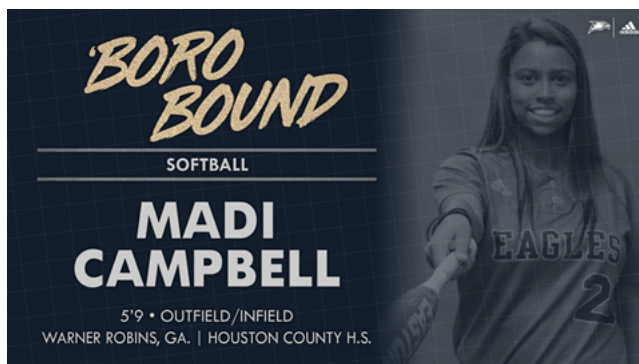
Softball

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STATESBORO - Georgia Southern Head Softball Coach [Kim Dean](#) has announced the six signees that make up the early signing class for the Eagles for the upcoming 2020-21 season.

The six early signees for the Eagles are: 5-9 outfielder/infielder Madi Campbell (Warner Robins, Ga. / Houston County HS); 5-9 infielder JJ Darley (Byron, Ga. / Tattnell Square Academy); 5-8 righthanded pitcher Anna Feil (Pickerington, Ohio / Pickerington Central HS); 5-6 outfielder Sydney Harris (Dacula, Ga. / Hebron Christian Academy); 5-8 infielder Aniston Johnson (Alma, Ga. / Bacon County HS) and 5-5 outfielder Dejah Mills (Powder Springs, Ga. / Hillgrove HS).

"We're extremely excited about this class," Coach Dean said. "This is our first class coming in that we've had eyes on for a few years. We feel all six of these players are really going to help us build from the inside out. They're all good character, good culture kids. I believe there's going to be some big expectations for this group coming in and over the four years they'll be Eagles."



Madi Campbell
5-9 Outfielder/Infielder
Warner Robins, Ga.
Houston County HS

Four-year All-County and All-Region honoree at Houston County HS ... Two-time All-State honoree and the 2018 Region Player of the Year ... Hit .442 as a senior for the Bears and was a career .486 hitter throughout her four-year career ... Selected to the 2019 Georgia Dugout Senior All-Star Game and the 2018 GACA Junior All-State Game.

Coach Dean: "Great kid, plays at Houston County HS. Just a good size kid. Really physical in her approach to her game. We think she's going to end up being a triple threat. She's a lefty with some pop in her bat, but can also play the short game. She has really good range in the outfield. We know she'll continue to develop and push some people to get some big innings early on in her Eagle career."



JJ Darley
5-9 Infielder
Byron, Ga.
Tattnall Square Academy

Four-time All-Region and three-time All-State honoree for Tattnall Square Academy ... Hit .390 with five home runs as a senior for the Trojans ... Career .383 hitter during her four years ... Plays club ball for Firecrackers GA-McDonald.

Coach Dean: "I had an opportunity to see her play and was sold on her glove mechanics, and her ability to throw from different slots. So we're really excited to see how her athleticism is going to translate into our system. Great kid, and off the field she kills it in the classroom. We have some high expectations for her."



Anna Feil
5-8 Righthanded Pitcher
Pickerington, Ohio
Pickerington Central HS

Two-time All-Conference and honorable mention All-District performer at Pickerington Central HS ... Also named the team MVP for the Tigers in 2018 ... Special mention All-Metro team by the Columbus Dispatch ... Plays club ball for the Ohio Hawks.

Coach Dean: "From Ohio, but played for a travel ball team down here for an alum of Georgia Southern, so immediately, when I heard that, she caught my eye. She's a pitcher that can swing it, and one thing we like is a multi-dimensional pitcher that can do a few different things. We're just continuing to add to that list of pitchers we're bringing in who can hit."



Sydney Harris
5'6 Outfielder
Dacula, Ga.
Hebron Christian Academy

Three-time All-Region performer for Hebron Christian Academy ... Hit .510 with 42 runs scored and 24 stolen bases for the Lions as a senior ... Earned All-State honors as well ... Also competed in swimming and soccer ... Plays club softball for Mojo-Lewis.

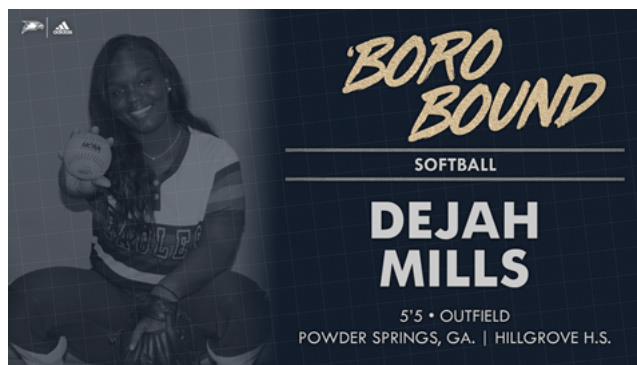
Coach Dean: "Sydney is a true slapper. She has pretty good speed, and going to be another real big contributor in the outfield as she can cover a ton of grass. Real excited to have her. She played on the same travel team that Anna Feil was on for a bit. Also, JJ Darley and Sydney played against each other in the Elite Eight this year. It was fun seeing them both on the field together."



Aniston Johnson
5-8 Infielder
Alma, Ga.
Bacon County HS

Four-time All-Region and Three-time All-State performer at Bacon County HS ... 2AA Region Player of the Year as a junior for the Raiders ... Hit .326 and slugged .756 as a senior while opposing pitchers intentionally walked her 32 times ... Recorded a .540 on-base percentage as well.

Coach Dean: "Aniston is an outstanding kid, and the minute you see her, you know she's going to be an athlete. Good raw mechanics, and she's been brought up in the softball world. A very coachable player. Another middle infielder who will be pushing a lot of our kids to work harder in the offseason."



Dejah Mills
5-5 Outfielder
Powder Springs, Ga.
Hillgrove HS

Three-time first-team All-Region performer for Hillgrove HS ... All-State honoree as a junior for the Hawks ... Hit .352 with nine home runs and 35 RBI as a senior ... Career .345 hitter.

Coach Dean: "A little bit of a power hitter, Dejah has a very good frame. She has a smaller strike zone but if you make a mistake and leave it over the plate, she's got that power to hit it out. A very strong kid who can play a couple of different positions. She'll probably be an outfielder and utility player for us. We're really excited to have her."

