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Blue Raiders fall 12-0 to No. 20 ULL

Host North Texas in weekend series

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LAFAYETTE, La. - Middle Tennessee gave up 11 runs in the first inning and could not pull any runs back as they concluded a three-game series against No. 20 Louisiana-Lafayette with a 12-0 loss on Wednesday afternoon.

Middle Tennessee (6-24, 1-11 Sun Belt) dropped the opening two games of the series against the Ragin' Cajuns (21-7, 4-2 Sun Belt) on Tuesday.

Caty Jutson (1-8) allowed eight hits over one inning in the loss. Only one of the 11 runs given up was earned.

[Lindsey Vander Lugt](#) made her second appearance of the series in relief for the Blue Raiders. The lefty allowed one run on three hits over the final three innings.

Donna Bourgeois (15-4) threw a two-hit shutout over three innings in the win for the Ragin' Cajuns.

Brittany Cuevas, Amanda Hill and Shari Sigur all made appearance in relief for the home team.

Louisiana-Lafayette opened an 11-0 lead in the bottom of the first inning. Katie Smith led off with an infield single and Hubbard reached on a fielding error by third baseman [Martha Davis](#) before Melissa Verde walked in four pitches to load the bases. Back-to-back RBI shots by Codi Runyan and Lana Bowers made it 2-0.

Smith, Runyan and Verde picked up RBIs for the Ragin' Cajuns before the end of the frame.


In the third inning, freshman right fielder Shelby Barrett smashed a two-out shot to the shortstop for a single, but [Kelsey Dortch](#) just missed beating out a bunt to Ragin' Cajuns pitcher Bourgeois.

Jessica Ives and [Kandra Singleton](#) both went 1-for-2 to lead the Blue Raiders.

Louisiana-Lafayette added another run in the bottom of the third inning. Runyan beat out a single to the shortstop before Bowers smacked an RBI triple to the gap in right field to make it 12-0.

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