

# Marushi resigns as 'Cats baseball coach

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Ashland baseball coach Shane Marushi likes to say, 'Leave it the way you found it.'

The four-year Tomcats skipper decided to depart with his program in much better condition than when he started.

Marushi turned in his letter of resignation to school officials on Monday after guiding Ashland to 30 wins this year, a mark the program hasn't reached this century, or as far back as the KHSAA website dates back.

Marushi said he had leaders all around him and on the field this season.

"I am really proud of where we are at," Marushi said, "and proud of the season that we had. I keep going back to our seniors. When I look at them, the one thing they can say and be proud of is, leave it better than you found it, and they sure did."

Marushi won 70 games in his four seasons, and the Tomcats enjoyed a 17-game winning streak during the 2026 campaign.

The Ashland skipper saw a sizeable difference in his team during pre-

season workouts and envisioned a huge step forward this year.

"We were at Putnam Stadium one day because the weather was so bad in the early spring," Marushi recalled. "We were at the football field, and it was the first time that I saw us move in our preparations. I told (assistant) coach (Scott) Wamsley that very day that I think we can be pretty good. We were bigger, stronger and faster."

"Our goal was to get 20 wins," he added. "We never got 20 wins before. They hit that streak and kept winning. It wasn't

any magic button I pushed. It was that group of seniors that established this, and they refused to lose."

Marushi appreciated athletic director Jim Conway and principal Jaime Campbell standing with him and giving him time to build the program.

"After that first year, it was a shaky time for anybody," Marushi said. "Our administration stood right there with me. They told us that you are our guy. It's a jolt of confidence for anybody. They've got our back and want you to succeed. Jim

and Jamie are both fantastic. Any time we needed anything, they were a phone call away."

An Ashland athletics Facebook post on Wednesday included the following statement: "Coach Marushi's impact on Ashland baseball and the community will be lasting, and he will always be a valued part of Ashland athletics. We thank coach Marushi for all he has done for Ashland baseball."

After days of thoughtful consideration, Marushi felt it was the right time to step away.

The Tomcats are back in the region title chase, and now he has more time to watch his son, Brady, play at the next level when he suits up for Thomas More University next spring.

"We worked our butts off, and we had great support from our administration," Marushi said. "We have the program at a place now where we can compete for a region championship every year. The younger kids got a taste of winning this year, and they have seen what leadership looks like and what type of work it takes to get there."



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Ashland coach Shane Marushi looks on before the Tomcats play Russell at Alumni Field on May 13.

## BASEBALL

### MLB Standings

AMERICAN LEAGUE				
East Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Tampa Bay	40	25	.615	—
New York	41	26	.612	—
Toronto	33	35	.485	8½
Baltimore	31	37	.456	10½
Boston	27	39	.409	13½
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	35	31	.530	—
Cleveland	37	33	.529	—
Minnesota	30	38	.441	6
Detroit	28	39	.418	7½
Kansas City	28	39	.418	7½
West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Seattle	36	32	.529	—
Texas	32	34	.485	3
Athletics	32	35	.478	3½
Houston	31	38	.449	5½
Los Angeles	26	42	.382	10
NATIONAL LEAGUE				
East Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	45	22	.672	—
Philadelphia	36	31	.537	9
Washington	35	33	.515	10½
Miami	32	35	.478	13
New York	29	37	.439	15½
Central Division				

	W	L	Pct	GB
Milwaukee	41	24	.631	—
St. Louis	36	28	.563	4½
Chicago	34	33	.507	8
Pittsburgh	34	33	.507	8
Cincinnati	32	34	.485	9½
West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	43	24	.642	—
Arizona	34	32	.515	8½
San Diego	34	32	.515	8½
San Francisco	27	41	.397	16½
Colorado	25	42	.373	18
AMERICAN LEAGUE				
Wednesday's Games				
Tampa Bay 7, Boston 5				
N.Y. Yankees 8, Cleveland 4				
Seattle at Baltimore, n				
Minnesota at Detroit, n				
Philadelphia at Toronto, n				
Atlanta at Chicago White Sox, n				
Texas at Kansas City, n				
Milwaukee at Athletics, n				
Houston at L.A. Angels, n				
Today's Games				
Minnesota (Mathews 2-3) at Detroit (Montero 2-4), 1:10 p.m.				
Texas (Rocker 2-5) at Kansas City (Wacha 4-4), 2:10 p.m.				
Seattle (Woo 5-4) at Baltimore (Bradish 3-7), 7:05 p.m.				
NATIONAL LEAGUE				
Tuesday's Games				
St. Louis 7, N.Y. Mets 0				
Toronto 3, Philadelphia 2				
Miami 10, Arizona 6				
L.A. Dodgers 12, Pittsburgh 3				
Chicago 6, Atlanta 5, 10 innings				
Colorado 7, Chicago Cubs 3				
Athletics 7, Milwaukee 5				
Washington 6, San Francisco 3				
Cincinnati 5, San Diego 3, 11 innings				
Wednesday's Games				
Washington at San Francisco, n				
Cincinnati at San Diego, n				
Arizona at Miami, n				
L.A. Dodgers at Pittsburgh, n				
Philadelphia at Toronto, n				
St. Louis at N.Y. Mets, n				
Atlanta at Chicago White Sox, n				
Chicago Cubs at Colorado, n				
Milwaukee at Athletics, n				
Today's Games				
Arizona (Kelly 5-4) at Miami (Phillips 0-1), 1:10 p.m.				
St. Louis (Dobbs 1-0) at N.Y. Mets (Scott 2-0), 1:10 p.m.				
Chicago Cubs (Cabrera 3-3) at Colorado (Feltner 2-1), 3:10 p.m.				
L.A. Dodgers (Wroblecki 7-2) at Pittsburgh (Keller 5-3), 6:40 p.m.				
Atlanta (Pérez 4-3) at Chicago (Kay 5-1), 7:40 p.m.				
Friday's Games				
Miami at Pittsburgh, 6:40 p.m.				
Seattle at Washington, 6:45 p.m.				
San Diego at Baltimore, 7:05 p.m.				
Arizona at Cincinnati, 7:15 p.m.				
Atlanta at N.Y. Mets, 7:15 p.m.				
L.A. Dodgers at Chicago, 7:40 p.m.				
Philadelphia at Milwaukee, 7:40 p.m.				
St. Louis at Minnesota, 8:10 p.m.				
Colorado at Athletics, 10:05 p.m.				

## SPORTS ON THE AIR

### TODAY

CFL		
8 p.m. — Hamilton at Winnipeg		CBSSN
GOLF		
11 a.m. — PGA Tour: Dow Championship, First Round, Midland Country Club, Midland, Mich.		GOLF
3 p.m. — PGA Tour: RBC Canadian Open, First Round, TPC Toronto at Osprey Valley (North Course), Caledon, Ontario		GOLF
HORSE RACING		
1 p.m. — NYRA: America's Day at the Races		FS2
MLB		
1 p.m. — Regional Coverage: Arizona at Miami (1:10 p.m.) OR Minnesota at Detroit (1:10 p.m.)		MLBN
7 p.m. — Seattle at Baltimore		ESPN
NHL		
8 p.m. — Stanley Cup Final: Vegas at Carolina, Game 5		ABC
MEN'S RUGBY		
9 p.m. — MLR: California at Seattle		ESPN2
MEN'S SOCCER		
3 p.m. — 2026 FIFA World Cup Group Stage: Mexico vs. South Africa, Group A, Mexico City		FOX
10 p.m. — 2026 FIFA World Cup Group Stage: South Korea vs. Czechia, Group A, Guadalajara, Mexico		FS1
SOFTBALL		
5 p.m. — Athletes Unlimited: Cascade at Blaze		CBSSN
9 p.m. — Athletes Unlimited: Bandits at Talons		ESPNU
TENNIS		
6 a.m. — London-WTA, Stuttgart-ATP & s-Hertogen-		

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### WNBA

7 p.m. — Chicago at Indiana	PRIME VIDEO
9 p.m. — Phoenix at Dallas	PRIME VIDEO

### FRIDAY

#### AUTO RACING

7:30 a.m. — Formula 1: Practice, Circuit de Barcelona, Barcelona, Spain	APPLE TV
11 a.m. — Formula 1: Practice, Circuit de Barcelona, Barcelona, Spain	APPLE TV

#### COLLEGE BASEBALL

2 p.m. — Men's College World Series: TBD, Game 1, Omaha, Neb.	ESPN
7 p.m. — Men's College World Series: TBD, Game 2, Omaha, Neb.	ESPN

#### GOLF

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3 p.m. — PGA Tour: RBC Canadian Open, Second Round, TPC Toronto at Osprey Valley (North Course), Caledon, Ontario	GOLF
6 p.m. — 2026 Curtis Cup: First Round, Bel-Air Country Club, Los Angeles	GOLF

#### MLB

7:10 p.m. — Arizona at Cincinnati	APPLE TV
7:10 p.m. — Atlanta at N.Y. Mets	APPLE TV
7:30 p.m. — N.Y. Yankees at Toronto	MLBN
10:30 p.m. — Chicago Cubs at San Francisco	MLBN

#### MEN'S SOCCER

3 p.m. — 2026 FIFA World Cup Group Stage: Canada vs. Bosnia and Herzegovina, Group B, Toronto	FOX
9 p.m. — 2026 FIFA World Cup Group Stage: U.S. vs. Paraguay, Group D, Inglewood, Calif.	FOX

## PUBLIC NOTICES

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Kentucky Public Service Commission ("PSC") will conduct a public hearing in Case No. 2025-00365 beginning at 9:00 a.m. Eastern Standard Time on Tuesday, June 30, 2026, at the PSC's offices at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. The purpose of the hearing is to cross-examine Kentucky Power's witnesses and take evidence on Kentucky Power's application for continuation through December 31, 2026 of its demand-side management programs; recovery of costs, including lost revenues and incentives, associated with demand-side management; and all other required approvals and relief. This hearing will be streamed live and may be viewed by connecting to the YouTube link posted on the PSC website, psc.ky.gov, on the day of the hearing. Public comments may be made at the beginning of the hearing. Those wishing to provide public comments may do so by arriving at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky, before the start of the hearing.

### PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

June 11, 2026

City of Ashland  
PO Box 1839  
Ashland, KY 41105  
(606) 268-0541

On or about June 19, 2026, the City of Ashland will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (PL 93-383), as amended, to undertake a project known as the 1709 Hilton Avenue Demolition Project for the purpose of clearing all structures located at 1709 Hilton Avenue, Ashland, KY 41101. The total estimated cost of the project is \$25,000.00 with \$25,000.00 from CDBG funds.

The activities proposed are categorically excluded under HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58 from National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements. An Environmental Review Record (ERR) that documents the environmental determinations for this project is on file at the Ashland City Building, 1700 Greenup Avenue, Room 208, Ashland, KY 41101 and may be examined or copied on weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

### PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the City of Ashland's Department of Community and Economic Development, PO Box 1839, Ashland, KY 41105 or by email to Jacob Risner, Program and Grant Administrator, at jrisner@ashlandky.gov. All comments received by June 18, 2026 will be considered by the City of Ashland prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds.

### ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The City of Ashland certifies to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development that Michelle Veach, in her capacity as Certifying Officer, consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. HUD's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the City of Ashland to use program funds.

### OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will accept objections to its release of funds and the City of Ashland's certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the City of Ashland; (b) the City of Ashland has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR part 58; (c) the grant recipient or other participants in the development process have committed funds, incurred costs, or undertaken activities not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by HUD; or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76) and should be sent to the Louisville Field Office of CPD at LouisvilleRROF@hud.gov. Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Michelle Veach, Certifying Officer

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