



**MAINE ASA JUNIOR OLYMPIC  
AMATEUR SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION**

2021 Maine USA Scholarship Award

Anna Cornell  
Cape Elizabeth

Southern Maine River Rats (2021)  
Maine Pride (2020-2021)  
Southern Maine Flame (2014-2019)

Attending Ithaca College (New York) Playing D3 softball (Exercise Science Program)

Quotes from Anna

As I step away from my involvement with USA travel softball and transition to collegiate athletics, being part of a USA travel team has had an immeasurable impact on me individually. That being said, my teammates and I collectively fear the inevitable: that one day we will no longer play the sport that had become such a big part of our identity. Still, the benefits of my experience playing USA softball extend far beyond the playing field. Some of the aspects that I value most from my USA travel softball experience took place off the field. Even after leaving the game, many aspects of the sport we grew up playing will nevertheless persist within us. We will carry with us friendships, community connections, and memories that were made both in the dugout and in between the lines of the field. Our experience playing USA softball taught us dedication, persistence, and SPORTSMANSHIP. There will come a time for each of us to leave the game we grew up playing, however, certainly, the GAME will never entirely leave US.

