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Charles Schwab Field in Omaha, Neb. hosted 15 games and 342,676 fans who watched LSU win the 2025 College World Series. (Photo by Collin Ulness)

The Wisdom of LSU's Skip Bertman

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If you were there, you know the wisdom you were listening to was a game changer. When Skip Bertman took the stage at the 2001 ABCA Convention in Nashville as the traditional first speaker by the defending national champion coach, he laid out an inspiring path for how to be such a champion leader. It was a profound moment for the education of a coach.

Bertman coached LSU for 18 years and won five national championships. He had a 20-1 record in NCAA championship games and went to the College World Series 11 times. His teams also won six SEC titles. He is one of three coaches to win five national titles, along with Rod Dedeaux (USC) and Augie Garrido (Cal-State Fullerton/Texas).

More importantly, Coach Bertman has been a beacon of inspiration for players and coaches throughout the game. *The Baseball Collegian* is committed to continuing his legacy by making sure the baseball world remembers the profound lessons he gave to the game.

His speech at the Opryland Hotel was an inspiring look at why he is known as an authority on building championship programs.

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A Season of Champions

This spring, 14 colleges and 338 high school teams won national and state championships. It was the thrilling culmination of a lifetime of baseball for players and coaches.

Not forgotten are those that get close, but don't win it all. The profound joy of winning conference tournaments, regionals, and super regionals cannot be underestimated.

And finally, most teams don't get to dogpile at all. They work just as hard, if not harder, as losing challenges and pushes you in the quest to get better. Here's to those players and coaches for persevering and still achieving something great - playing a season of this grand game.

Of the over 18,000 baseball teams in this country, only 352 won their last game. Yet, there are so many great stories of champions who can be proud of their 2025 seasons. Congratulations!

2025 College National Champions

NCAA Division I: LSU (La.) - Coach Jay Johnson
NCAA Division II: Tampa (Fla.) - Coach Joe Urso
NCAA Division III: Wisconsin-Whitewater - Coach John Vodenlich
NAIA: LSU-Shreveport (La.) - Coach Brad Neffendorf
USCAA: Salem University (W.Va.) - Coach Cassidy Gaines
NCCAA: Jessup University (Calif.) - Coach Trevor Paine
California JC: Mt. San Antonio (Calif.) - Coach John Knott
Northwest JC: Linn-Benton (Ore.) - Coach Andy Peterson
JC Division I: Salt Lake (Utah) - Coach DG Nelson
JC Division II: Pasco-Hernando (Fla.) - Coach Lyndon Coleman
JC Division III: Rowan-Gloucester (N.J.) - Coach Rob Valli
Club Division I: Penn State
Club Division II: Wisconsin La Crosse
Club Division III: Craven CC



Skip Bertman's Championship legacy lives on at LSU with the "Intimidator" billboard at Alex Box Stadium. (Photo by David Pinter)

The Wisdom of Skip Bertman



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Here are the key outtakes from Skip Bertman's speech at the 2001 ABCA Convention:

"They can't legislate against size, against vision, against knowing how to win. There's no rule that's against me motivating my players.

"Everything starts in the mind. It starts with a vision. It's not about facilities, it's about people. We are in the dream business – You have to supply the dreams.

"The law of attraction says that with excitement, you think more clearly. I thought about Omaha every morning, every night. I had pictured myself shaking hands with the other coach. When it happened, I'd done it 100 times. Make that vision clear: See it, feel it, hear it.

"Visualize, use video, tell stories. Vision, motivation, enthusiasm. 'Nothing, nothing in life can be accomplished without enthusiasm.' - Ralph Waldo Emerson

"You can achieve anything at all that you: 1) Vividly imagine; 2) Ardently desire; 3) Sincerely Believe; 4) Enthusiastically act upon.

"One person with belief equals 99 without. The difference between possible and probable is determination. When you're in a tight place and can't go on, hold, then a new fate will come. Every man dies, not every man really lives.

"They will replicate what you ask them to do. Make the vision clear, then motivate them. I make them feel special. Everyone wants to feel special. A touch on the shoulder or something - There are 300 things to do to make him feel special.

"We're only held back by a lack of clarity of vision. You've got to risk – Your vision has to be big."

Skip's Corner

The Baseball Collegian is proud to present the wisdom of coaching legend Skip Bertman for coaches and players to help take their game to the same championship level as he did in his coaching career at LSU and Miami.

Podcast

The Competitor's Brain

Hosted by Loren Foxx

We take years of experience in sports psychology, including working with greats in the business like Ken Ravizza, Brian Cain, and Dr. Rob Gilbert, and assemble the highlights into an easy-to-digest three minute podcast.

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From the Publisher

It's been a fantastic first spring here at *The Baseball Collegian*. Thanks to the kind and generous Lou Pavlovich, we've continued on the legacy of *Collegiate Baseball*, and covered an entire season of high school and college baseball from beginning to end.

It is a joy to follow the journey from the conventions to the preseason workouts, followed by the spring trips, the regular season, conference tournaments, regionals, super regionals, and finally, the College World Series.

The off-season is an equally wonderful time. Summer ball, then fall ball, and back to the beginning.

After 24 years as baseball coach at Wesleyan University and 31 in college baseball coaching, I am excited to use my experience in baseball by publishing issues monthly and sending them free to your inbox, as well as in print at crucial times of the season.

Like the former *Collegiate Baseball*, we are unique in our commitment to coaches and the under-represented levels of amateur baseball. We look forward to aggregating all this information for you for this to be your prime destination for the world of amateur baseball.

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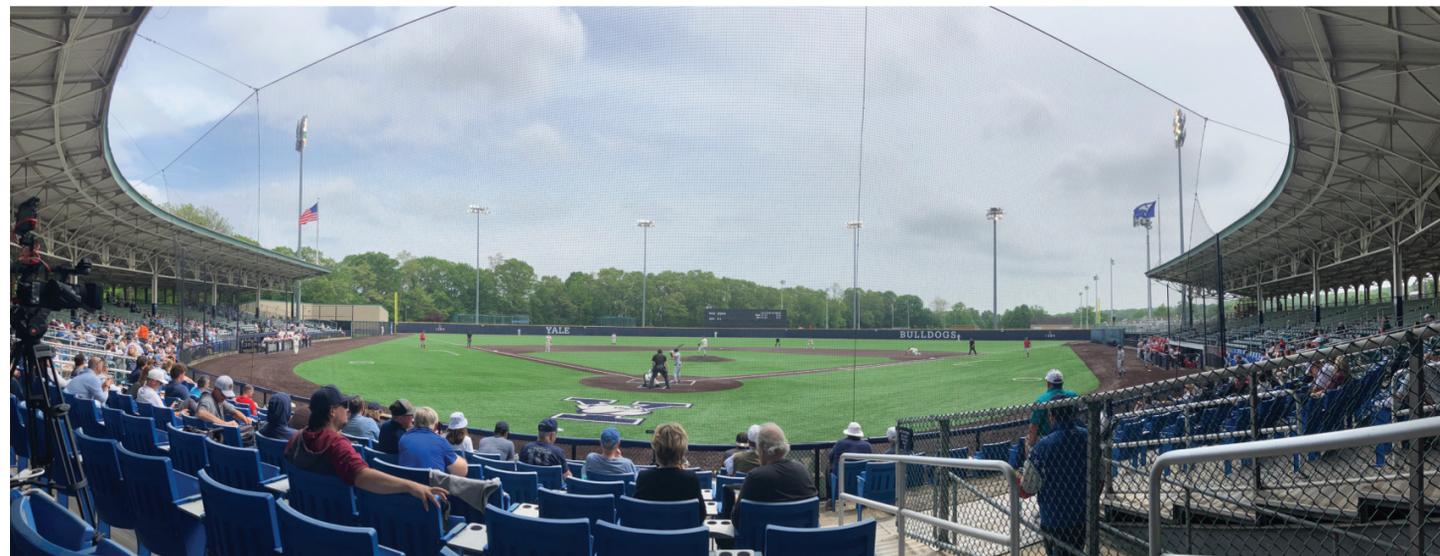
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New Haven, Connecticut

Connecticut has a grand baseball tradition going back to the first college baseball game with modern-day rules taking place between Yale University and Wesleyan University in 1865. There are 20 college baseball teams (6 Division I, 4 Division II, 9 Division III and 1 JC) in the small state, and a slew of impactful major leaguers including Jeff Bagwell, Mo Vaughn, Brad Ausmas and George Springer. Connecticut is far and away the best cold-weather state for baseball in the nation, with 3.37 pro players per 100,000 residents in a recent *Baseball America* study.

New Haven has a particularly rich baseball legacy. With five colleges (Yale, Quinnipiac, New Haven, Southern Conn. St and Albertus Magnus within 10 minutes of each other), each spring is filled with outstanding players and teams competing against each other.



Yale Field



Historic Yale Field has an amazing legacy. Ted Williams couldn't hit the ball over the center-field fence in batting practice; Frankie Viola from St. John's outdueled Yale's Ron Darling 1-0 in 12 innings in the 1981 NCAA Tournament; and in 1948, a retired Babe Ruth shook hands at home plate with Yale Captain and future U.S. President George Bush.

Yale baseball began playing at the site at the turn of the 20th century, before building a 12,000 seat stadium in 1928. In 1993, the stadium was renovated again for Double-A baseball, and in 2018, the grass was replaced with turf.

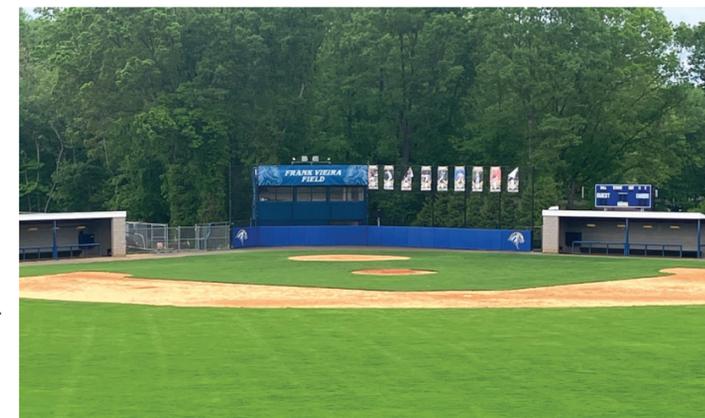
In the spring of 2025, Yale baseball won the Ivy League regular season title under head coach Brian Hamm and pitching coach Chris Wojick, and hosted the Ivy League tournament.

West Haven, Connecticut

Frank Vieira Field

Legendary baseball coach Frank "Porky" Vieira coached the University of New Haven Chargers for 44 years with an extraordinary 1,127-324-6 record and 17 trips to the World Series. He passed away in the spring of 2025, but his legacy is preserved at Frank Vieira field.

Coach Vieira sent 90 players to professional baseball, but he himself was an outstanding athlete as well. Along with success in college baseball, he averaged 31.8 points per game in basketball for Quinnipiac College. Though only 5-feet 6 inches tall, he beat Wilt Chamberlain in a one-on-one game, a testament to the will to win that inspired thousands over his career.



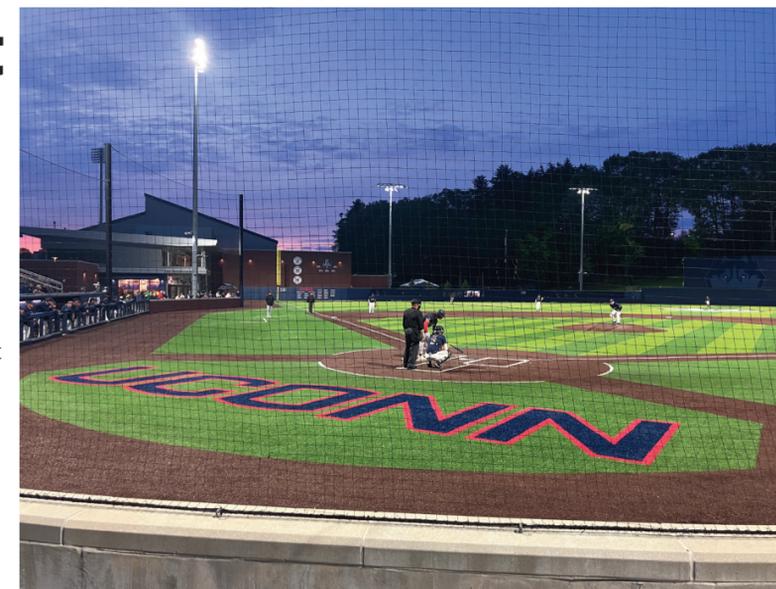
Quigley Field

Quigley Field has been at the center of the pulse of baseball in the New Haven area, between amateur and college games, and home of the West Haven Twilight League since 1933.

Storrs, Connecticut

Elliott Ballpark

UConn opened its state-of-the-art baseball stadium in 2021. A vanguard program in New England, their field matches the national-level of play that UConn has been bringing to college baseball the last 20 years. A wonderful setting for games, a highlight is the grass hill down the right field line for leisurely watching the games.



13 Reasons To Take the 1st Pitch of Your First At-Bat

By MARK WOODWORTH
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The beautiful thing about baseball is that there are so many elements to appreciate and enjoy. Hitting, pitching, fielding, baserunning; Gloves, bats, uniforms, cleats; Pickoffs, bunts, rundowns, hidden ball tricks; Stadiums, dugouts, sunflower seeds, walk-up songs. These are just a few of the aspects of baseball that make it great.

However, the essence of the game always comes down to the pitcher/hitter battle. For something as important as this, it is still underappreciated. A take of a 1-1 pitch in the third inning with no one on and two outs gets quickly forgotten, but can be transcendent. Maybe that turns into a 2-1 count,

then the hitter walks, and while the next hitter might end the inning, that extra batter might mean that the All-American leadoff hitter comes up with the bases loaded in the 9th instead of the ninth hitter.

While it's difficult to deconstruct the impact of every single pitch of a game, it is still imperative for every pitcher and every hitter to fight for every pitch because you just never know how it will impact the game.

With this in mind, there is seemingly not enough focus by hitters, the recipient of a pitcher's pitch, to control the at-bat. Most hitting talk focuses on the technique: "The swing is the thing." Yet a great swing is only as good as the pitches that are swung at. A great swing at a bad pitch out of the zone

doesn't work. A great swing that is not on-time doesn't work.

Anecdotally, hitters have selective memories. One double off a curveball makes them think they pound curveballs. But do they? Usually not. The pitcher throws the first batter a two-strike changeup, and the team thinks the pitcher will keep doing that. Quite often not. But a damaging mindset by hitters is that the first pitch a hitter sees in the first at-bat is a great pitch to hit.

While it is true that sometimes guys are rewarded for their aggressiveness on this pitch, there are at least 13 great reasons this mindset not only doesn't work in the quest to be a good hitter, but it also is more hurtful to the team than realized.

It should be really simple: Hitters should not swing at the first pitch of their first at-bat of the day. The analytics agree and it's clear from watching the game. There are at least 13 reasons to simply stand there and take the first pitch of their first at-bat. Let's get to it:

1) Comfort in the box

Each batter's box feels different, the stride landing is different, the feel of the dirt is different. Hitters need to get a feel for their feet in the box before giving their best swing.

2) Comfort with the backdrop

Each field has a different backdrop behind the pitcher, and it influences the perspective and feel for seeing the ball. It takes some time to sort out all that information.

3) Comfort with the pitcher's motion

While you can accrue information on the pitcher's motion from on-deck, it still feels different once you are in the box.

4) The heart is beating fast

Hitters spend all day (or longer) preparing for and thinking about their at-bats. Upon getting in the box the first time, the heart beats and there are all kinds of nervous energy and anxiety. It's pretty well agreed that optimal hitting comes from a sense of comfort and calmness, and that first pitch of the day doesn't have that.

5) Feeling the speed of the pitch to get timing (speeds feel different in the box)

You can't really get a feel for the speed of a pitcher's pitches (particularly the fastball), until you're right up on it and moving your body with the pitch. Watching from on-deck is just not precise enough. Hitting is about timing, and the more information you have, the more you can make the fine-tuning adjustments necessary to barrel up the ball.

6) Helping your team by making the pitcher throw more pitches

If every hitter in the lineup takes the first pitch of their first at-bat, that is 18 guaranteed pitches the pitcher has to throw in the game. The more pitches the starter has to throw, the closer he is to getting out of the game – particularly in this age of pitch count concern.

7) Don't give clues to the opposing team about your hitting tendencies

Pitchers and catchers and pitching coaches are searching for clues on a hitter's swing and what they're looking for and timed up for. By giving them a clue in the first pitch, they are able to have a significant advantage right away on how to get the hitter out. Many coaches are paid experts on calling pitches to get hitters out, and they will exploit every advantage given.

8) Seeing more pitches helps the hitter get more and more prepared to hit their pitch

Would you shoot better if you launched a three-pointer the first time you stepped off the bench? Or if you were able to get in the flow of the game and get a feel for the court, the ball, the speed of the defense?

Summary:

Get comfortable.

Be in the control of the at-bat.

Get the best timing possible.

Be a good teammate.

9) Seeing more pitches sets you up for later in the game

Ted Williams believed you shouldn't swing at a pitch you haven't seen that day yet. You don't want to be up in the fifth inning with the bases loaded and out of nowhere, the pitcher shows a two-strike curveball. Accruing information, making the pitcher expose his arsenal, and getting a sense of their pitches and timings helps not only your chances to hit well throughout the game, but helps your teammates learn as well.

10) The numbers don't support it

In a study of one season of college baseball, hitters swung at the first pitch of their first at-bat 132 times. There were 10 hits and also 10 hard-hit balls. So hitters went 10-for-132 when swinging at the first pitch of their first at-bat (.075 success rate). The rest were swings and misses and fouls – including on pitches that weren't

even strikes. The argument that swings and misses and fouls help their hitter learn and adjust by gaining information is not without merit, but information can be accrued other ways, and all the other negatives override this method.

11) Hits per strike is way better later in the count

Overall in hitting, when hitters swing at strikes with less than two strikes, they hit .099, yet hit .123 with when they swing at strikes with two strikes. While the batting average when the ball is put in play with an 0-0 count is .356, it's still pretty good with two strikes (.326).

12) There aren't that many good pitches worthy of hitting on the first pitch of the first at-bat anyway

The assumption that hitters just groove a hittable fastball on the first pitch of a hitter's first at-bat is flawed. In a study of a college season, out of the nine first pitches of first at-bats, there were six strikes. Four were fastballs, but only two were in a good location to hit. Two were curveballs, but the variability of the speed, spin and location, make them tough to hit. So basically, only two of the nine were worthy of being swung at, yet even then, all the other variables previously mentioned led to them being incredibly difficult to hit, and actually set back the hitter's and team's chances of performing well and winning.

13) It is a team game. Hitting is not only about hits

Offense should be the goal. Hitting is a part of it, but not the only thing. Players significantly help their team with walks and hit-by-pitches and moving runners and giving the runner a chance to steal and creating more chances for passed balls. You can even make the case that a hit on the first pitch of the first at-bat of the day is less impactful on the game than if all three hitters in the first inning have 10-pitch at-bats that result in outs. In short, taking the first pitch of the first at-bat makes you a great teammate.

Additional Notes:

Hitters do get hits on first pitch of their first at-bat!

Yes-hitters do get hits on the first pitch of their first at-bat. But it happens so infrequently despite one's memory thinking it happens all the time.

How to handle relief pitchers

The data is also remarkably similar to swinging at the first pitch against a relief pitcher – even if it is later in the game.

The game after the first pitch

After that first pitch, hitters should be in all-go mode and not have passivity. Don't think that taking the first pitch of the day should have any influence or negative effect on other pitches. This includes the first pitch of later at-bats against the same pitcher.

Strikeouts

If a hitter is afraid of striking out, swinging at the first pitch (this goes for any at-bat), is the worst possible game plan. Because of the low success rate of getting hits, including the fouls and swings and misses, this actually results in more strikeouts. Pitchers don't throw enough strikes, so there is often an expansion of the zone, which gets hitters behind the count more often than not.

BASEBALL COLLEGIAN PLAYOFF CENTRAL

Regionals May 30-1
Super Regionals June 6-8
World Series June 13-22 – Omaha, Neb.

NCAA DIVISION I

WORLD SERIES

#3 Arkansas
 #6 LSU
 #8 Oregon State
 #13 Coastal Carolina
 #15 UCLA
 Arizona
 Louisville
 Murray State

SUPER REGIONALS

#3 Arkansas vs. #14 Tennessee
 #4 Auburn vs. #13 Coastal Carolina
 #5 North Carolina vs. Arizona
 #6 LSU vs. West Virginia
 #8 Oregon State vs. #9 Florida State
 #15 UCLA vs. Texas-San Antonio
 Louisville vs. Miami
 Duke vs. Murray State

REGIONALS

Athens Regional (Ga.) #7 Georgia, Duke, Oklahoma State, Binghamton
Auburn Regional (Ala.) #4 Auburn, NC State, Stetson, Central Connecticut St.
Austin Regional (Texas) #2 Texas, Texas-San Antonio, Kansas State, Houston Christian
Baton Rouge Regional (La.) #6 LSU, Dallas Baptist, Rhode Island, Little Rock
Chapel Hill Regional (N.C.) #5 North Carolina, Oklahoma, Nebraska, Holy Cross
Clemson Regional (S.C.) #11 Clemson, West Virginia, Kentucky, South Carolina-Upstate
Conway Regional (S.C.) #13 Coastal Carolina, Florida, East Carolina, Fairfield
Corvallis Regional (Ore.) #8 Oregon State, TCU, USC, Saint Mary's
Eugene Regional (Ore.) #12 Oregon, Arizona, Cal Poly, Utah Valley
Fayetteville Regional (Ark.) #3 Arkansas, Kansas, Creighton, North Dakota State
Hattiesburg Regional (Miss.) #16 Southern Mississippi, Alabama, Miami, Columbia
Knoxville Regional (Tenn.) #14 Tennessee, Wake Forest, Cincinnati, Miami (Ohio)
Los Angeles Regional (Calif.) #15 UCLA, UC-Irvine, Arizona State, Fresno State
Nashville Regional (Tenn.) #1 Vanderbilt, Louisville, East Tennessee State, Wright State
Oxford Regional (Miss.) #10 Ole Miss, Georgia Tech, Western Kentucky, Murray State
Tallahassee Regional (Fla.) #9 Florida State, Northeastern, Mississippi State, Bethune-Cookman

National Champs!

LSU

LSU, coached by Jay Johnson, won the Division I World Series with a two-game sweep over Coastal Carolina.



COLLEGE WORLD SERIES SCHEDULE & RESULTS

Fri. June 13
 Game 1 – #13 Coastal Carolina 7, Arizona 4
 Game 2 – #8 Oregon State 4, Louisville 3
Sat. June 14
 Game 3 – #15 UCLA 6, Murray St. 4
 Game 4 – #6 LSU 4, #3 Arkansas 1
Sun. June 15
 Game 5 – Louisville 8, Arizona 3 (Arizona eliminated)
 Game 6 – Coastal Carolina 6, Oregon State 2
Mon. June 16
 Game 7 – Arkansas 3, Murray St. 0 (Murray St. eliminated)
Tue. June 17
 Game 8 – LSU 9, UCLA 5 (UCLA eliminated)
 Game 9 – Louisville 7 Oregon St. 6 (Oregon St. elim.)
 Game 10 – Arkansas 7, UCLA 3 (UCLA eliminated)
Wed. June 18
 Game 11 – Coastal Carolina 11, Louisville 3 (Louisville elim.)
 Game 12 – LSU 6, Arkansas 5 (Arkansas eliminated)
Thur. June 19
 OFF
Fri. June 20
 OFF
Sat. June 21
 Championship Game One – LSU 1, Coastal Carolina 0
Sun. June 22
 Championship Game Two – LSU 5, Coastal Carolina 3
 (Coastal Carolina eliminated)

LSU wins National Championship

EVERYTHING OMAHA CWS NOTES

By MARK WOODWORTH - EDITOR/THE BASEBALL COLLEGIAN

Sun. June 22, 2025 (Day 8) LSU won the College World Series and their 8th NCAA Division I National Championship. Anthony Eyanson struck out nine in 6.1 innings, while Ethan Frey had three hits as LSU scored four in the fourth for the decisive blows...24,734 watched the Sunday afternoon final... Rocco's Shot Challenge raised 145,477 for charity. LSU won going away with 52,390 shots, beating second-place Coastal Carolina by 43,000.

Sat. June 21, 2025 (Day 7) LSU won the first game of the best-of-three final over Coastal Carolina in a classic 1-0 fashion. Steven Milam's single to center in the first inning was the only run, and Kade Anderson's 130-pitch, 10 strikeout, 3-hit shutout did the rest. The win broke Coastal's 26-game winning streak. Cameron Flukey was the hard-luck loser... 25,761 fans were in attendance.

Wed. June 18, 2025 (Day 6) Coastal Carolina won their 26th straight game - they haven't lost since April 22. They advance to the best-of-three championship series... LSU pulled one out in a wild sequence in the ninth to advance to the championship game. A two-run deficit with two outs, a sinking liner to left off a shoulder to score two runs, and a walk-off single to center by Jared Jones, gave them the win over Arkansas. LSU is 5-0 in Omaha vs. Arkansas... Coastal Carolina and LSU have two days off before the championship series begins on Saturday.

Tue. June 17, 2025 (Day 5) LSU won the resumption of their halted game behind the big bats of Jared Jones and Jake Brown and pitching of Casan Evans and Chase Soares... Louisville won a crazy game to advance in the winner's bracket. Oregon State rallied with three runs in the ninth to tie, before Eddie King Jr. hit a walk-off sacrifice fly. Oregon State ended the season 48-16-1... Arkansas ended UCLA's season. Zach Root responded after a tough opening game of the CWS with five scoreless innings. Arkansas pounded out 10 hits to take a 7-0 lead before UCLA tried to fight back with three in the ninth.

Mon. June 16, 2025 (Day 4) No-hitter! The story of the day was a no-hitter by Arkansas righty Gage Wood. It was only the third no-hitter in CWS history (Jim Wixson of Oklahoma St. in 1960, and Jim Ehler of Texas in 1950). He retired the first 21 batters, including striking out seven in a row in one stretch. He finished with 19 strikeouts. The only runner to reach was on an HBP in the eighth... Rain-Delay: The UCLA/LSU game was halted in the third inning due to rain. It will resume on Tue. at 11 a.m. EST... LSU has a 5-3 lead, thanks to a three-run Jared Jones home run.

Sun. June 15, 2025 (Day 3) Louisville used an in-dugout motivational speech from Coach McDonnell to small-ball and hustle their way to six runs in the eighth inning. Arizona is the first team to be eliminated... Coastal Carolina's Jacob Morrison improved to 12-0 with 7.2 dominant innings and seven strikeouts... Rocco's Pizza and Cantina across from the stadium continues it's Rocco's Jello-Shot Challenge. All the money from the \$5 shots goes to local food pantries. The record is 68,888 by LSU fans in 2023. As of Day 3, LSU is winning again with 13,552. Murray State is second with 6,420. UCLA is in last place with 429... 24,490 watched Louisville win... 23,647 watched Coastal win.

Sat. June 14, 2025 (Day 2) LSU used another dominant performance from Kade Anderson who improved to 11-1. Arkansas pitchers struck out 16 LSU hitters in the loss... UCLA took a commanding 6-0 lead, and while Murray State fought back late, took the victory with a team offensive effort... 24,346 attended Game 1. 24,490 watched Game 2.

Fri. June 13, 2025 (Day 1) Oregon State gathered themselves after Louisville tied it in the ninth. Gavin Turley doubled for the walk-off win... Coastal Carolina won their 24th straight game, scoring three runs in the eighth to break a tie over Arizona... Opening Day in Omaha is always a day of celebration in the city. The traditional fly-over highlighted the start of this 75th anniversary of the CWS in Omaha (won by Texas in 1950)... The eight flagpoles for each team's flags were moved to the Baseball Village after Rosenblatt closed in 2011. Eight non-profits from the area are chosen for the Flying Flags for Charity program. In a friendly competition, they each choose a team, and each flag is lowered to half-mast when they are eliminated until one team remains... 24,963 were in attendance.

Wed. June 11, 2025 (Preview)

#3 Arkansas Razorbacks 12th World Series... The highest national seed in the CWS... Coach Dave Van Horn has taken his alma mater to the CWS 7 times.

#6 LSU Won 7 College World Series... 5 under legendary coach Skip Bertman, one under Paul Maineri and one under Jay Johnson (in 2023).

#8 Oregon State Won three World Series including in 2018 vs. Arkansas... Back-to-back titles in 2006 and 2007 with current coach Mitch Canham at catcher.

#13 Coastal Carolina Won 2016 World Series in only prior visit... First-year head coach Kevin Schnall played at Coastal, and spent 21 years as assistant.

#15 UCLA Sixth World Series... Won in 2013... Practiced at high school fields in fall as this is the last season at their home park, Jackie Robinson Stadium.

Arizona Have won four World Series in 19 visits, the latest being in 2012 under Andy Lopez, and the three prior under legend Jerry Kindall.

Louisville Sixth World Series appearance, all under coach Dan McDonnell... Came in third place in 2019.

Murray State The Kentucky school's fourth appearance in any NCAA tournament... The last time was 2003... Recorded an RPI of 88 in 2025.

Thur. June 12, 2025 (Top Players)

LSU Kade Anderson-LHP (3.58, 142K/98.2 IP), Jared Jones-1B (.328, 20 HR)

Oregon State Aiva Arquette-SS (.354, 18 HR)

Arkansas Wehiwa Aloy-SS (.348, 20 HR), Zach Root-LHP (3.59, 119K/92.2 IP)

Arizona Brendan Summerhill-RF (.358, 4 HR)

UCLA Roch Cholowsky-SS (.367, 23 HR)

Coastal Carolina Jacob Morrison-RHP (2.15, 95 K's/96.1 IP)

Louisville Eddie King, Jr.-LF (.362, 17 HR)

Murray State Jonathan Hogart-CF (.339, 22 HR)



Regionals May 15-18
Super Regionals May 23-25
World Series May 30-7 – Cary, N.C.

NCAA DIVISION II

WORLD SERIES

East Stroudsburg (Pa.)
 Central Missouri (Mo.)
 Northwood (Fla.)
 Tampa (Fla.)
 Texas-Tyler (Texas)
 Lenoir-Rhyne (N.C.)
 Northwest Nazarene (Idaho)
 Felician (N.J.)

SUPER REGIONALS

Franklin Pierce vs. Felician
 Seton Hill vs. East Stroudsburg
 Central Missouri vs. Pittsburg St.
 Indianapolis vs. Northwood
 Tampa vs. West Florida
 Catawba vs. Lenoir-Rhyne
 Angelo St. vs. Texas-Tyler
 Northwest Nazarene vs. Cal St. Monterey Bay

REGIONALS

East #1 – Jefferson Goldey-Beacom, Franklin Pierce, Jefferson
East #1 – Wilmington Wilmington, Molloy, Felician, Pace
Atlantic #1 – Millersville California (PA), Seton Hill, Millersville
Atlantic #2 – West Chester East Stroudsburg, Fairmount, West Chester
Central #1 – Central Missouri Central Missouri, Harding, Central Oklahoma, Arkansas Tech
Central #2 – Minnesota St. Minnesota St., Arkansas-Monticelli, Pittsburg St., Henderson St.
Midwest #1 – Davenport Indianapolis, Ashland, Davenport
Midwest #2 – Grand Valley St. Grand Valley St., Missouri St., Lewis, Northwood
South #1 – Tampa Tampa, Albany St., Mississippi College, Lynn
South #2 – Florida Southern Florida Southern, West Alabama, West Florida, Delta St.
Southeast #1 – Catawba Catawba, Lander, Young Harris, North Greenville
Southeast #2 – Belmont Abbey Belmont Abbey, Carson-Newman, Lenoir-Rhyne, North Georgia
South Central #1 – Angelo St. St. Edward's, Lubbock Christian, Angelo St.
South Central #2 – Texas-Tyler Colorado Mesa, Metropolitan St.-Denver, Texas-Tyler
West #1 – Northwest Nazarene Point Loma, Montana St.-Billings, Northwest Nazarene
West #2 – Westmont Cal St. Monterey Bay, San Francisco St., Westmont

National Champs!

University of Tampa

The University of Tampa won the Division II World Series with two wins on the final day over Central Missouri. It was the second straight championship for Tampa and the seventh for coach Joe Urso.



Regionals May 16-18
Super Regionals May 23-25
World Series May 30-June 6 – Eastlake, Ohio

NCAA DIVISION III

WORLD SERIES

Johns Hopkins (Md.)
 Trinity (Texas)
 Endicott (Mass.)
 Rowan (N.J.)
 Denison (Ohio)
 Wisconsin-Whitewater (Wisc.)
 Kean (N.J.)
 Messiah (Pa.)

SUPER REGIONALS

Kean vs. Salve Regina
 Endicott vs. Claremont
 Salisbury vs. Messiah
 Johns Hopkins vs. Case Western Reserve
 McMurry vs. Trinity (TX)
 Denison vs. Belhaven
 Lynchburg vs. Rowan
 Wisconsin-Whitewater vs. Wisconsin-Oshkosh

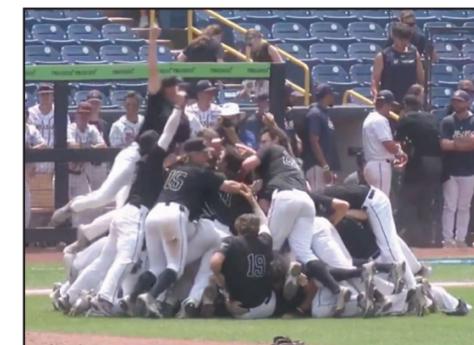
REGIONALS

Kean Regional Kean, Husson, Cortland, Middlebury
Penn St.-Harrisburg Regional Salve Regina, Keene St., Penn St.-Harrisburg, College of NJ
Bridgewater St. Regional Endicott, Bridgewater St., Concordia (TX), Oswego St.
Salisbury Regional Salisbury, Johnson & Wales, Baldwin-Wallace, Ramapo
Johns Hopkins Regional Johns Hopkins, Farmingdale St. Rutgers-Camden, RPI
Case Western Regional Case Western Reserve, North Central, Centre, Arcadia
Laverne Regional Laverne, Whitworth, Pomona, McMurry
East Texas Baptist Regional Trinity (TX), Huntingdon, Millsaps, East Texas Baptist
Wisconsin-Lacrosse Regional Wisconsin-Lacrosse, Bethany Lutheran, Buena Vista, Claremont
Lynchburg Regional Lynchburg, Marymount, Emory, Maryville
Mount Union Regional Rowan, Grove City, Mount Union, Catholic
Denison Regional Denison, Manchester, Keystone, Penn St.-Behrend
Webster Regional Webster, Milwaukee Engineering, Belhaven, Rhodes
Adrian Regional Wisconsin-Whitewater, Adrian, Wash U of St. Louis, Ohio Northern
Gustavus Adolphus Regional Gustavus Adolphus, Beloit, Wisconsin-Oshkosh, Chicago
Randolph-Macon Regional SUNY Brockport, Methodist, Randolph-Macon, Messiah

National Champs!

Wisconsin-Whitewater

Wisconsin-Whitewater won the Division III World Series with dominating 18-3 and 21-5 wins over Messiah. ABCA Hall of Fame coach John Vodenlich won his third national championship.



BASEBALL COLLEGIAN PLAYOFF CENTRAL

Regionals May 12-15
World Series May 23-June 1 – Lewiston, Idaho

NAIA

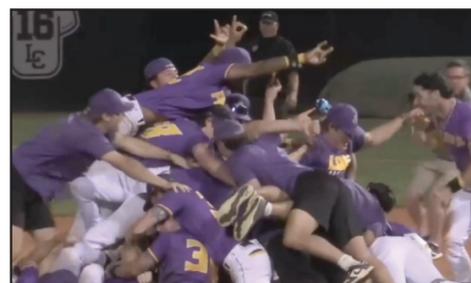
WORLD SERIES

1. LSU Shreveport (La.)
2. Georgia Gwinnett (Ga.)
3. Tennessee Wesleyan (Tenn.)
4. Hope International (Calif.)
5. Webber International (Fla.)
6. Southeastern (Fla.)
7. Cumberlands (Ky.)
8. Loyola (La.)
9. British Columbia (Canada)
10. Grand View (Iowa)

National Champs!

LSU Shreveport

LSU-Shreveport, coached by Brad Neffendorf, won the NAIA World Series with a 13-7 win over Southeastern. The win capped an incredible 59-0 season, an all-time record for consecutive wins at any college level and the first college team to ever go undefeated in a season.



REGIONALS

- Hattiesburg Regional (Miss.)** William Carey, Oklahoma Wesleyan, British Columbia, Indianapolis SE
Kingsport Regional (Tenn.) Tennessee Wesleyan, Cumberland, Columbia (Mo), Indiana Tech, Louisiana Christian
Lakeland Regional (Fla.) Southeastern, Central Methodist, Arizona Christian, Abraham Baldwin, Briar Cliff
Lawrenceville Regional (Ga.) Georgia Gwinnett, Keiser, Houston-Victoria, Talladega, Saint Xavier
Lewiston Regional (Idaho) Hope International, Wayland Baptist, Lewis-Clark St., Oregon Tech, Dickinson St.
Lincoln Regional (Neb.) Webber International, Concordia (NE), Science and Arts, Indiana Wesleyan, Mount Mercy
Shreveport Regional (La.) LSU Shreveport, Mid-America Christian, Johnson, Ottawa, Southern U-New Orleans
Upland Regional (Ind.) Taylor, Bellevue, Kansas Wesleyan, Grand View
Waleska Regional (Ga.) Reinhardt, Loyola (LA), Oakland City, Ave Maria
Williamsburg Regional (Ky.) Missouri Baptist, Cumberlands, MidAmerica Nazarene, Northwestern Ohio

BASEBALL COLLEGIAN PLAYOFF CENTRAL

Small College World Series
May 13-16 – DuBois, Penn.

USCAA

UNITED STATES COLLEGIATE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

WORLD SERIES

- Miami-Middletown (Ohio)
Penn State Schuylkill (Pa.)
Salem University (W.Va.)
Mid Atlantic Christian (N.C.)
Central Maine CC (Maine)
Central Penn (Pa.)
Florida National (Fla.)
Apprentice (Va.)
Penn State-Mt. Alto (Pa.)

National Champs!

Salem University

Salem University, coached by Cassidy Gaines, won the USCAA Small College World Series with an 8-3 win over Penn State-Mt. Alto.



World Series

May 16-19
Kansas City Urban Youth Academy (Mo.)

NCCAA

NATIONAL CHRISTIAN COLLEGE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

WORLD SERIES

- #1 Oakland City University (Ind.)
- #2 Concordia University Ann Arbor (Mich.)
- #3 University of Fort Lauderdale (Fla.)
- #4 Jessup University (Calif.)
- #5 Campbellsville University (Ky.)
- #6 Southwestern Christian University (Okla.)
- #7 Mission University (Mo.)
- #8 Judson University (Ill.)
- #9 Kansas Christian College (Kan.)
- #10 Arlington Baptist University (Tex.)

National Champs!

Jessup University

Jessup University, coached by Trevor Paine, won the NCCAA World Series with an 11-5 win over Mission University.



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BASEBALL COLLEGIAN PLAYOFF CENTRAL

NorCal & SoCal Finals May 2-18
 State Finals May 23-25 – Walnut, Calif.

CALIFORNIA-JC CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGES

STATE FINALS

Sierra at Mt. San Antonio
 Cypress vs. West Valley

NORCAL FINALS

Sierra at Santa Rosa
 Fresno City at West Valley

SOCAL FINALS

Glendale at Mt. San Antonio
 Palomar at Cypress

California Champs!

Mt. San Antonio

Mt. San Antonio, coached by John Knott, won the California CC Championship with an 8-5 win in 13 innings over West Valley. It was their first title since 1965.



(Photo by Freddy Ponce)

Super Regionals May 13-16
 World Series May 22-26 – Longview, Wash.

NORTHWEST-JC NORTHWEST JUNIOR COLLEGES

WORLD SERIES

Tacoma
 Spokane
 Umpqua
 Everett
 Bellevue
 Linn-Benton
 Columbia-Basin
 Lower Columbia

SUPER REGIONALS

Bellevue Regional Bellevue, Centralia, Walla Walla
Pasco Regional Columbia Basin, Skagit Valley, Chemeketa
Tacoma Regional Tacoma, SW Oregon, Edmonds
Roseburg Regional Yakima Valley, Umpqua, Clark

Northwest Champs!

Linn-Benton

Linn-Benton, coached by Andy Peterson, won the Northwest JC Championship with a 3-2 walk-off win over Tacoma. It was their third title in four years.



BASEBALL COLLEGIAN PLAYOFF CENTRAL

Districts May 13-18
 World Series May 24-31 – Grand Junction, Colo.

JUCO DIVISION I

WORLD SERIES

Walters St. (Tenn.)
 Florence Darlington Tech (S.C.)
 Blinn (Texas)
 Lake Land (Tenn.)
 Johnson County (Kan.)
 Shelton State (Ala.)
 Florida SouthWestern (Fla.)
 Eastern Oklahoma State (Okla.)
 McLennan (Texas)
 Salt Lake (Utah)

DI JC Champs!

Salt Lake CC

Salt Lake Community College, coached by DG Nelson, won the Junior College Division I World Series with a 9-6 win over Walters State CC in front of a crowd of 12,305.



DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIPS

Appalachian – Morristown, Tenn. Georgia Highlands, Walters St.
East – Florence, S.C. Harford, Florence-Darlington
Mid-South – Brenham, Tex. Alvin, Bossier Parish, Paris, Blinn, Wharton County, Northeast Texas, Tyler, San Jacinto
Midwest – Crystal Lake, Ill. Southwestern Illinois, Lake Land, Iowa Western McHenry
Plains – Salina, Kan. Dodge City, Kansas City Kansas, Garden City, Johnson County, Seward County, Cowley, Butler, Coffeyville, Labette, Cloud County, Fort Scott, Colby, Allen County, Hutchinson, Neosha County, Barton
South – Tuscaloosa, Ala. LSU Eunice, Shelton State
South Atlantic – Tampa, Fla. Pensacola St., Florida SouthWestern St., Central Florida, Indian River St., State College of Florida, Northwest Florida State, Miami Dade, Gulf Coast State
South Central – Park Hills, Miss. Eastern Oklahoma, Mineral Area
Southwest – Odessa, Tex. McLennan, Midland, Cisco, Odessa, El Paso, Weatherford, New Mexico, Grayson
West – Taylorsville, Utah Utah State Eastern, Northeastern, Salt Lake, Central Arizona

BASEBALL COLLEGIAN PLAYOFF CENTRAL

Districts May 6-16
World Series May 24-31 – Enid, Okla.

WORLD SERIES
Heartland CC (Ill.)
Lackawanna College (Pa.)
Kellogg CC (Mich.)
Pearl River CC (Miss.)
Frederick CC (Md.)
Madison College (Wisc.)
Iowa Central CC (Iowa)
Pasco-Hernando State College (Fla.)
Catawba Valley CC (N.C.)
South Mountain CC (Ariz.)

DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIPS

Central – Union, Mo. North Central Missouri, Heartland, Vincennes, East Central
East – Scranton, Pa. Rockland, Lackawanna, Mercer, UConn-Avery Point
Great Lakes – Jackson, Mich. Cuyahoga, Grand Rapids, Henry Ford, Hocking, Kellogg, Lansing, Macomb, Mid Michigan
Gulf – Poplarville, Miss. Holmes, Southwest Mississippi, Meridian, Northwest Mississippi, Copiah-Lincoln, Jones, Mississippi Gulf Coast, East Central, Pearl River
Mid-Atlantic – Frederick, Md. Alleghany County, Hagerstown, Montgomery, Alleghany Maryland, Cecil, CCBC Essex, Southern Maryland, Anne Arundel, CCBC Catonsville, Garrett, Chesapeake, Frederick
Midwest – Madison, Wisc. Highland, Bryant & Stratton, Moraine Valley, Milwaukee Area, Prairie State, Harper, Morton, Rock Valley, Elgin, Kankakee, Black Hawk, Madison
North Plains – Fort Dodge, Iowa Dakota County Tech, Iowa Central
South – Troy, Ala. Pasco-Hernando State, Wallace-Dothan
South Atlantic – Burlington, N.C. Bryant & Stratton (VA), Louisburg, Patrick & Henry, Pitt, Cleveland, Brunswick, Fayetteville Tech, Catawba Valley
West – Phoenix, Ariz. South Arkansas, South Mountain

Districts May 14-17
World Series May 24-29 – Auburn, NY

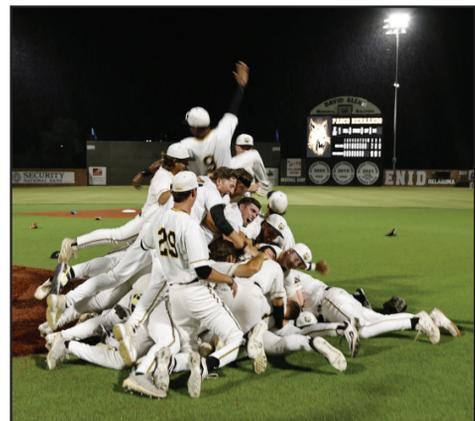
WORLD SERIES
Oakton (Ill.)
Surrey (N.C.)
Rowan-Gloucester (N.J.)
Niagara (N.Y.)
Brookdale (N.J.)
Northern Essex (Mass.)
Century (Minn.)
Dallas Richland (Texas)

DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIPS

Great Lakes– River Grove, Ill. Owens, Oakton
Mid-Atlantic – Martinsville, Va. Rockingham, Virginia Peninsula CC, Surry, Camp, Caldwell Tech
North – Auburn, N.Y. Finger Lakes, SUNY Niagara, Herkimer, Hudson Valley
Northeast – Selden, N.Y. Massasoit, Rhode Island, Bunker Hill, Northern Essex
North Plains – St. Cloud, Minn. Western Tech, Minnesota North-Itasca, Minnesota North-Hibbing,
North Dakota, Ridgewater, Riverland, St. Cloud Tech, Alexandria Tech, Northland, Century
North Atlantic – Sewell, N.J. Rowan-Gloucester, Brookdale, Rowan-Cumberland, Salem, Middlesex, Camden, Northampton CC, Montgomery CC
South Central – Mequite, Tex. Dallas-Mountain View, Dallas-Brookhaven, Dallas-Cedar Valley, Dallas-North Lake, Dallas-Eastfield, Dallas-Richland

JUCO DIVISION II

DII JC Champs!
Pasco-Hernando
Pasco-Hernando State College (Fla.),
coached by Lyndon Coleman, won the
Junior College Division II World Series
with an 11-7 win over Pearl River CC
behind two seventh-inning grand slams.



BASEBALL COLLEGIAN PLAYOFF CENTRAL

NATIONAL CHAMPIONS PAST 5 YEARS

NCAA Division I			NAIA			USCAA			NCCAA			Junior Colleges		
2025	LSU	Jay Johnson	2025	LSU Shreveport	Brad Neffendorf	2025	Salem University	Kassidy Gaines	2025	Jessup University	Trevor Paine	2025	Mt. San Antonio	John Knott
2024	Tennessee	Tony Vitello	2024	Hope International	Larry Mahoney	2024	Penn State Dubois	Tom Calliari	2024	Southwestern Christian	Joe Blackwell	2024	Saddleback	Sommer McCartney
2023	LSU	Jay Johnson	2023	Westmont	Tyler LaTorre	2023	Penn State Dubois	Tom Calliari	2023	Mid-America Christian	Brett Stanton	2023	Santa Ana	Tom Nilles
2022	Ole Miss	Mike Bianco	2022	Southeastern	Adrian Dinkel	2022	Apprentice School	Ben Jones	2022	Concordia-Ann Arbor	Zach Johnson	2022	Riverside City College	Rudy Arguelles
2021	Mississippi St.	Chris Lemonis	2021	Georgia Gwinnett	Jeremy Sheetinger	2021	Penn State Dubois	Tom Calliari	2021	Columbia International	Jonathan Johnson	2021	Linn-Benton	Andy Peterson
NCAA Division II			USCAA			NCCAA			Junior Colleges					
2025	Tampa	Joe Urso	2025	Salem University	Kassidy Gaines	2025	Jessup University	Trevor Paine	2025	RCSJ-Gloucester (NJ)	Rob Valli	2025	Linn-Benton	Andy Peterson
2024	Tampa	Joe Urso	2024	Penn State Dubois	Tom Calliari	2024	Southwestern Christian	Joe Blackwell	2024	RCSJ-Gloucester (NJ)	Rob Valli	2024	Linn-Benton	Andy Peterson
2023	Angelo State	Kevin Brooks	2023	Penn State Dubois	Tom Calliari	2023	Mid-America Christian	Brett Stanton	2023	RCSJ-Gloucester (NJ)	Rob Valli	2023	Lower Columbia	Kurt Lupinski
2022	North Greenville	Landon Powell	2022	Apprentice School	Ben Jones	2022	Concordia-Ann Arbor	Zach Johnson	2022	RCSJ-Gloucester (NJ)	Rob Valli	2022	Linn-Benton	Andy Peterson
2021	Wingate	Jeff Gregory	2021	Penn State Dubois	Tom Calliari	2021	Columbia International	Jonathan Johnson	2021	RCSJ-Gloucester (NJ)	Rob Valli	2021	Lower Columbia	Kurt Lupinski
NCAA Division III			NCCAA			NCCAA			Junior Colleges					
2025	Wisconsin-Whitewater	John Vodenlich	2025	Jessup University	Trevor Paine	2025	Jessup University	Trevor Paine	2025	LSU-Eunice	Jeff Willis	2025	Salt Lake CC	DG Nelson
2024	Misericordia	Pete Egbert	2024	Southwestern Christian	Joe Blackwell	2024	Southwestern Christian	Joe Blackwell	2024	LSU-Eunice	Jeff Willis	2024	Blinn	Dusty Hart
2023	Lynchburg	Lucas Jones	2023	Mid-America Christian	Brett Stanton	2023	Mid-America Christian	Brett Stanton	2023	Heartland (IL)	Chris Razo	2023	Central Florida	Marty Smith
2022	Eastern Conn. St.	Brian Hamm	2022	Concordia-Ann Arbor	Zach Johnson	2022	Concordia-Ann Arbor	Zach Johnson	2022	Pearl River	Michael Avalon	2022	Central Arizona	Anthony Gillich
2021	Salisbury	Troy Brohawn	2021	Columbia International	Jonathan Johnson	2021	Columbia International	Jonathan Johnson	2021	LSU-Eunice	Jeff Willis	2021	McLennan	Mitch Thompson
NCAA Division III			NCCAA			NCCAA			Junior Colleges					
2025	Wisconsin-Whitewater	John Vodenlich	2025	Jessup University	Trevor Paine	2025	Jessup University	Trevor Paine	2025	LSU-Eunice	Jeff Willis	2025	Central Arizona	Anthony Gillich
2024	Misericordia	Pete Egbert	2024	Southwestern Christian	Joe Blackwell	2024	Southwestern Christian	Joe Blackwell	2024	LSU-Eunice	Jeff Willis	2024	Central Arizona	Anthony Gillich
2023	Lynchburg	Lucas Jones	2023	Mid-America Christian	Brett Stanton	2023	Mid-America Christian	Brett Stanton	2023	LSU-Eunice	Jeff Willis	2023	Central Arizona	Anthony Gillich
2022	Eastern Conn. St.	Brian Hamm	2022	Concordia-Ann Arbor	Zach Johnson	2022	Concordia-Ann Arbor	Zach Johnson	2022	LSU-Eunice	Jeff Willis	2022	Central Arizona	Anthony Gillich
2021	Salisbury	Troy Brohawn	2021	Columbia International	Jonathan Johnson	2021	Columbia International	Jonathan Johnson	2021	LSU-Eunice	Jeff Willis	2021	McLennan	Mitch Thompson

2025 CONFERENCE CHAMPIONS

Conference	School	Head Coach	Conference	School	Head Coach
Allegheny Mountain	Penn-St. Behrend (PA)	Paul Benim	Minnesota Intercollegiate	Gustavus Adolphus (MN)	Brad Baker
American Rivers	Buena Vista (IA)	Steve Eddie	New England Small College	Middlebury (VT)	Mike Leonard
American Southwest	East Texas Baptist	Jared Hood	New England M&W	Salve Regina (RI)	Eric Cirella
Atlantic East	Marymount (VA)	Mike Cassidy	New Jersey Athletic	Rutgers-Camden (NJ)	Ryan Kulik
Centennial	Johns Hopkins (MD)	Bob Babb	North Atlantic	Husson (ME)	Chris Morris
City U. of New York	Baruch (NY)	Jose Torres	North Coast	Denison (OH)	Mike Deegan
Coast-To-Coast	Salisbury (MD)	Troy Brohawn	Northern	Milwaukee Engineering (WI)	Adrian Santiago
Conf-Illinois and Wisconsin	North Central (IL)	Adam Hill	Northwest	Whitworth (WA)	Clinton Perry
Conference of the South	Huntingdon (AL)	DJ Conville	Ohio Athletic	Baldwin Wallace (OH)	Brian Harrison
Conf. of New England	Endicott College (MA)	Bryan Haley	Old Dominion	Lynchburg (VA)	Travis Beazley
Empire 8	Brockport (NY)	Justin Beach	Presidents	Grove City (PA)	Matt Royer
Great Northeast	Johnson & Wales (RI)	Kevin Casey	Skyline	Farmingdale State (NY)	Keith Osik
Heartland	Manchester (IN)	Richard Espeset	Southern	Centre (KY)	Drew Briesse
Landmark	Catholic (DC)	Ross Natoli	Southern California	La Verne (CA)	Scott Winterburn
Liberty	RPI (NY)	Jason Falcon	Southern Collegiate	Trinity (TX)	Tim Scannell
Little East	Keene State (NH)	Justin Blood	St. Louis Intercollegiate	Webster (MO)	Bill Kurich
Massachusetts Athletic	Bridgewater State (MA)	Greg Zackrisson	State U. of New York	SUNY Cortland	Joe Brown
Michigan Intercollegiate	Adrian (MI)	Craig Rainey	United East	Penn St. Harrisburg (PA)	Ryan Bown
Middle Atlantic (Common.)	Messiah (PA)	Phill Shallenberger	University Athletic	Case Western (OH)	Matt Englander
Middle Atlantic (Freedom)	Arcadia (PA)	Chuck Thielmann	Upper Midwest	Bethany Lutheran (MN)	Ryan Kragh
Midwest	Beloit (WI)	Dave DeGeorge	USA South	Methodist (NC)	Tom Austin
			Wisconsin Intercollegiate	Wisconsin-Whitewater	John Vodenlich

BASEBALL COLLEGIAN PLAYOFF CENTRAL

NCAA Division II

Conference	School	Head Coach
California Collegiate	Cal St. Monterey Bay (CA)	Walt White
Central Atlantic	Wilmington (DE)	Brian August
Conference Carolinas	Belmont Abbey (SC)	Chris Anderson
East Coast	Molloy (NY)	Joe Fucarino
Great American	Harding (AR)	Patrick McGaha
Great Lakes	Davenport (IA)	Kevin Tidey
Great Lakes Valley	Missouri Sci. & Tech. (MO)	Todd DeGraffenreid
Great Midwest	Northwood (MI)	Brad Baldwin
Great Northwest	Northwest Nazarene (ID)	Joe Schaefer
Gulf South	West Alabama (AL)	Eric DuBose
Lone Star	Angelo State (TX)	Kevin Brooks
Mid-America	Central Oklahoma (OK)	John Martin
Mountain East	Point Park (PA)	Loren Torres
Northeast-10	Pace (NY)	Hank Manning
Northern Sun	Minnesota State (MN)	Matt Magers
Pacific West	Westmont (CA)	Paul Svagdis
Peach Belt	Lander (SC)	Jason Burke
Pennsylvania State	Millersville (PA)	John Shehan
Rocky Mountain	Colorado Mesa	Chris Hanks
South Atlantic	Catawba (NC)	Jim Gantt
Southern	Albany State (GA)	Scot Hemmings
Sunshine State	Tampa (FL)	Joe Urso

NCAA Division I

Conference	School	Head Coach
America East	Binghamton	Tim Sinicki
American Athletic	East Carolina	Cliff Godwin
Atlantic 10	Rhode Island	Raphael Cerrato
ACC	North Carolina	Scott Forbes
Atlantic Sun	Stetson	Steve Trimper
Big 12	Arizona	Chip Hale
Big East	Creighton	Ed Servais
Big South	USC Upstate	Kane Sweeney
Big Ten	Nebraska	Will Bolt
Big West	Cal Poly	Larry Lee
Coastal Athletic	Northeastern	Mike Glavine
Conference USA	Western Kentucky	Marc Rardin
Horizon	Wright State	Chad Geier
Ivy	Columbia	Brett Boretti
Metro Atlantic	Fairfield	Bill Currier
Mid-American	Miami (Ohio)	Brian Smiley
Missouri Valley	Murray State	Dan Skirka
Mountain West	Fresno State	Ryan Overland
Northeast	Central Conn. St.	Charlie Hickey
Ohio Valley	Little Rock	Chris Curry
Patriot	Holy Cross	Ed Kahovec
SEC	Vanderbilt	Tim Corbin
Southern	East Tennessee St.	Joe Pennucci
Southland	Houston Christian	Clay VanderLaan
SW Athletic	Bethune-Cookman	Jonathan Hernandez
Summit	North Dakota St.	Tyler Oakes
Sun Belt	Coastal Carolina	Kevin Schnell
West Coast	Saint Mary's	Eric Valenzuela
Western Athletic	Utah Valley	Eddie Smith

2025 CONFERENCE CHAMPIONS

NAIA

Conference	School	Head Coach
American Midwest	Missouri Baptist	Eddie Uschold
Appalachian	Tennessee Wesleyan (TN)	Billy Berry
Cascade	Lewis-Clark State (ID)	Jake Taylor
Chicagoland	Saint Xavier (IL)	Addison Rouse
Continental (Independ.)	Georgia Gwinnett	Jeremy Sheeting
Crossroads	Taylor (IN)	Kyle Gould
Great Southwest	Hope International (CA)	Larry Mahoney
Great Plains	Briar Cliff (IA)	Corby McGlauflin
HBCU	Talladega (AL)	Marcos Dominguez
Heart of America	Central Methodist (MO)	Nate Breland
Kansas Collegiate	Kansas Wesleyan	Bill Neale
Mid-South	Cumberlands (KY)	Brad Shelton
North Star	Bellevue University (NE)	Duane Monlux
Red River	LSU Shreveport	Brad Neffendorf
River States	Oakland City (IN)	Andy Lasher
Sooner Athletic	U. of Science & Arts (OK)	Tyle Hankins
Southern States	Loyola (LA)	Jeremy Kennedy
The Sun Conference	Webber (FL)	Collin Martin
Wolverine-Hoosier	Indiana Tech (IN)	Kip McWilliams

California JC

Conference	School	Head Coach
Bay Valley	Laney	Francisco Zapata
	Los Medanos	Harmen Sidhu
Big 8	Santa Rosa	Damon Neidlinger
Central Valley	Fresno City	Ron Scott
Coast North	Skyline	Tony Brunicardi
	Chabot	Paul Wiebens
	San Mateo	Riley Goulding
	West Valley	Bobby Hill
Coast South	Feather River	Terry Baumgartner
Golden Valley	Chaffey	Andrew Smith
Inland Empire	Cypress	Anthony Hutting
Orange Empire	Palomar	Ben Adams
Pacific Coast	Mt. San Antonio	John Knott
South Coast	Santa Barbara	Jeff Walker
Western State North	Cuesta	Bob Miller
	Glendale	Alex Kocol

Northwest JC

Region	School	Head Coach
East Region	Spokane CC (WA)	Ryne Webb
North Region	Everett CC (WA)	Keith Hessler
South Region	Linn-Benton CC (OR)	Andy Peterson
West Region	Lower Columbia (WA)	Kurt Lupinski

BASEBALL COLLEGIAN PLAYOFF CENTRAL

Regionals May 9-11
World Series May 23-29 Alton, Ill.

CLUB DIVISION I

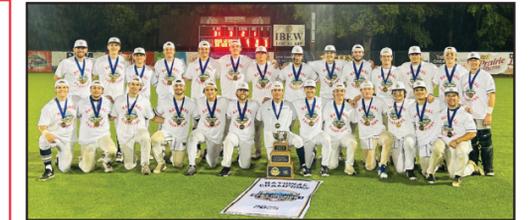
WORLD SERIES

Arlington Baptist
Clemson
Creighton
Michigan
Oregon
Penn State
UC Santa Barbara
Virginia Tech

Club Baseball Champs!

Penn State

The Penn State club baseball team won the National Club Baseball Association World Series with a 7-6 walkoff win over Virginia Tech.



REGIONALS

Great Lakes Regional - Fort Wayne, Ind. Michigan, Indiana, Purdue, Wisconsin
Gulf Coast Regional - Monroe, La. Auburn, Texas A&M, Arlington Baptist, Alabama
Mid-America Regional - Topeka, Kan. Iowa State, Colorado State, Creighton, Colorado
Mid-Atlantic Regional - Wilson, N.C. NC State, James Madison, East Carolina, Virginia Tech
North Atlantic Regional - Cortland, N.Y. Boston College, UMass, Penn State, St. Joe's
Northern Pacific Regional - Nampa, Idaho Boise State, Oregon, Montana State, Oregon State
South Atlantic Regional - Peachtree, Ga. South Carolina, Florida State, Tennessee, Clemson
Southern Pacific Regional - Palm Springs, Calif. Cal Poly, Grand Canyon, UC Davis, UC Santa Barbara

CLUB NATIONAL CHAMPIONS PAST 5 SEASONS

Club Division I

2025 Penn State
2024 Penn State
2023 Penn State
2022 Florida State
2021 Virginia Tech

Club Division II

2025 Wisconsin-La Crosse
2024 West Chester
2023 Ohio State
2022 Grand Canyon
2019 Pittsburg St.

Club Division III

2025 Craven CC
2024 Wisconsin-River Falls
2023 Milwaukee School of Engineering
2019 Millersville
2018 Adrian

BASEBALL COLLEGIAN PLAYOFF CENTRAL

Regionals – May 9-11
World Series – May 16-20 Alton, Ill.

CLUB DIVISION II

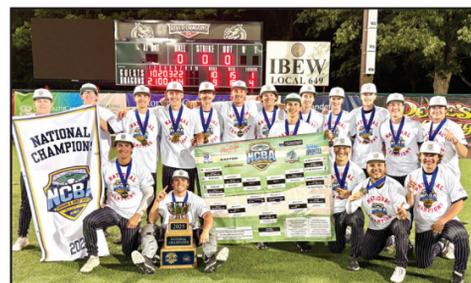
WORLD SERIES

- #1 Cal Miramar (Calif.)
- #2 West Chester (Pa.)
- #3 Wisconsin-La Crosse (Wisc.)
- #4 Bryant (R.I.)
- #5 Embry Riddle (Fla.)
- #6 West Virginia (W.Va.)
- #7 Houston-Downtown (Texas)
- #8 Montana (Mont.)

DII Club Champs!

Wisconsin-La Crosse

The Wisconsin-La Crosse club baseball team won the Div. II National Club Baseball Association World Series with a 10-9 win over West Chester.



REGIONALS

- Chesapeake Regional - DuBois, Pa.** Sacred Heart, West Chester, Rutgers, Millersville
- Dixie Regional - Augusta, Ga.** Georgia Southern, South Carolina, Tampa, Embry Riddle
- Great American Regional - North Little Rock, Ark.** Kansas St., Arkansas, Lone Star, Houston-Downtown
- New England Regional - Cortland, N.Y.** Bryant, Marist, Penn State, Bentley
- New Penn Regional - Dunbar, Pa.** Salisbury, Kent State, Ohio State, West Virginia
- Northern Plains Regional - Waupun, Wisc.** Wisc.-La Crosse, Bowling Green, North Dakota, St. Thomas
- Pacific Regional - Palm Springs, Calif.** Cal Miramar, Santa Clara, Grand Canyon, Chico State
- Rocky Mountain Regional - Smithfield, Utah** Idaho, Montana, Colorado St.-Pueblo, Colorado College

Regionals May 9-11
World Series May 16-18 Butler, Pa.

CLUB DIVISION III

WORLD SERIES

- #1 Dickinson (Pa.)
- #2 Robert Morris (Pa.)
- #3 Wisconsin-Stevens Point (Wisc.)
- #4 Craven CC (N.C.)

DIII Club Champs!

Craven CC

The Craven CC club baseball team won the Div. III National Club Baseball Association World Series with a 9-6 win over Robert Morris.



REGIONALS

- District I Regional - Berkeley Heights, N.J.** Dickinson, Hofstra, Lehigh, York
- District II Regional - Martinsville, Va.** George Mason, Gardner Webb, Richmond, Craven CC
- District III Regional - University Heights, Ohio** Carnegie Mellon, Saginaw Valley, John Carroll, Robert Morris
- District IV Regional - Mauston, Wisc.** Winona State, Drake, Wisconsin-Stevens Point, DePaul

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Mookie Betts posted a video on Instagram where he's mic'd up during a round of batting practice. There are a few things that happen during the round. One is, he announces to himself his intention for the swing before he takes the swing. That allows you to paint a visual picture and it's way easier to paint within the lines and follow that template of the visual picture you've given yourself; "If it's a fastball away, I'm going to go with it." It's easier to do that than guessing where the pitch is. Even that split-second where the ball is coming out, you're able to paint that picture in your head, or utter something under your breath, or have a cue go through your brain. You'll be in a much better spot than if you're just guessing.

That verbal cue or that mental cue of what you're going to do with the pitch can really make a big difference. Something like that requires a lot of practice. In tee work, when you're working on hitting a ball that's not moving and located in a certain part of the strike zone and doing a certain thing with it, if you are able to do that over and over again, and honestly appraise yourself, that will make you a better hitter.

Self-appraisal comes in with how we can be difficult with ourselves. We tend to talk to ourselves as if we're talking to an enemy. We're not generally kind to ourselves. We generally will talk to ourselves while we're hitting as if we're talking to someone we don't particularly like:

Your Best Friend

"That sucked. What am I doing? Why am I even playing this game?" Mookie Betts says, "That wasn't so good." He doesn't say, "That sucked." It's about positive reinforcement or non-negative reinforcement. He says, "Attaboy" to himself as another way to be kind to himself.

He hit .346 one year, and is one of the best hitters in the Major Leagues. You look at how he speaks to himself, it's different than how the rest of us speak to ourselves. Today, whether you're making a sales call at work, practicing free throws, hitting off a tee, or throwing a bullpen, be gentle on yourself. Talk to yourself like you would talk to a close friend. Be encouraging, be positive, because it can be really difficult to perform when the voice in your head is saying, "That was awful" and on the next one, "That was awful too." You're not going to want to go back and keep practicing. But if you can give yourself those little positive bits of reinforcement, you are going to turn into a much better hitter or better at whatever it is, because you're going to want to keep coming back. And you can change that yourself.

Follow the Podcast!

The Competitor's Brain, a podcast hosted by **Loren Foxx**, takes years of experience in sports psychology, including working with greats in the business like Ken Ravizza, Brian Cain, and Dr. Rob Gilbert, and assembles the highlights into an easy-to-digest three minute daily podcast.

Amateur Baseball Podcast Recommendations

- College Baseball Advisors Podcast** - Hosted by Wayne Mazzoni
- Patrick Jones Baseball Podcast** - Hosted by Patrick Jones
- Pelotero Podcast** - Hosted by Chris Colabello and Bobby Tewksbary
- D3P: A Division III Baseball Podcast** - Hosted by Eric and Wyatt Rudolf

Catching Technique A Guide

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Habit Get feet under you for every catch and throw

- Goals**
- 1) Catch the ball (two hands on non-pitches if possible)
 - 2) Block the ball no matter what
 - 3) Get feet under you for every throw

TARGET

- Flash sign, show target
- Relax glove, then show target again right before pitcher starts release.
- Hold target close to body during pitching motion (pitcher is focusing his eyes on it during motion).

STANCE

- Throwing hand behind back with no one on.
- Throwing hand in glove area in running situations.
- Knee down is fine, but catchers should know that it will negatively impact ability to block balls to the knee-down side. The new hybrid model is to start on both feet, and go knee down at the moment of catching the ball to get under the low pitch.

CATCHING THE BALL

- Catch the ball by moving the glove through the ball to extension. With a relaxed hand, finish with the elbow extended and stick it – this gives the pitch the best chance to be seen as a strike.
- Think framing less – think presenting more. Catch the outside of the ball with an extended elbow on borderline pitches.
- For high pitches, catch the ball close to your body as it allows the pitch to get lower.

BLOCKING

- The catcher must move his feet so his body will be in the center of where the pitch will go.
- Then, lead with the glove, and drop forward towards the pitcher onto knees. Hunch shoulders wide but facing inward, and tuck the chin face down and into the chest. Put glove between the legs with throwing hand behind it and let the ball hit the chest; or snatch forward to pick the ball (In general pick fastballs, block offspeed). Don't be afraid of using the glove like a first baseman on balls way wide right or left.
- On balls to the side, footwork is crucial because the catcher needs to take a slight step to gain ground (towards right field for a ball to the right, or left field for a ball to the left) and surround the pitch before dropping to his knees.



THROWING

- Wait and do not begin to turn the body until the pitch is caught.
- Then, take a 90-degree jump turn with a jab towards second with the right foot.
- The ball is transferred by turning the mitt to face the body and taking the ball out early and back into the throwing motion.
- Release quickly with feet under you with a good follow-through. Throw through the fielder's knee, not just to the base.



Thoughts on catching by Brett Basham (baschcatching.com):

- A pitcher's trust is one of most important parts of being successful. Trust pitch calling, being able to block, throwing out runners.
- You have to be the most enthusiastic and energetic player on the field. Everyone on the field sees you every single pitch.
- Every pitch has a life and history of its own. That is why catchers can't afford to take pitches off.
- Excellence in small fundamentals are what separates great catchers from guys who had potential to be great.
- Don't get lazy in the bullpen. See every pitch you receive or block as a chance to get better. Bullpen is the best game-like practice.
- Great setup in relaxed stance. Wider you are, better target you present to pitcher. Pitchers love throwing to big, wide target.
- Stay away from too much body movement when receiving. More movement umpire sees, more he's likely to call ball. Stay quiet.
- Receiving: If I were to take my glove off at any point during receiving ball, my fingertips should be pointing up.
- Blocking: Exhale right before impact to soften your body and keep ball close. More you tighten and tense up, farther ball will kick.
- When blocking, please lead with your glove first.
- There are no such things as wild pitches. They are all passed balls. If you take that focus/mindset, you will catch and block everything.
- Throwing: Same footwork no matter where pitch is. Consistent throwers keep everything same every time.
- Catcher's need to know this: More power you create w/ lower half, quicker it's going to make upper half and arm.
- Throwing to 2B: Make sure you throw THROUGH your target and not just to it with ACCURACY, ACCURACY, ACCURACY.
- Big fault on tag plays is going to get ball & reaching back for tag & not letting ball come to you. Thrown ball gets to you quicker.

	Catcher Pop-Times	
	Pop Time	Release Time
Best in MLB	1.80-1.90	0.57-0.65
Avg. MLB	1.96	0.65-0.80
Avg. Div. I	1.90-2.10	0.73-0.83
Avg. Div. III	1.95-2.15	0.73-0.83
Avg. HS	2.15-2.35	0.80-1.00

THE BASEBALL COLLEGIAN PITCHING PROJECT



A Non-Partisan Resource on Pitching

THE INTENT OF THE BASEBALL COLLEGIAN PITCHING PROJECT is to inform coaches and players and parents of some of the many theories on being a successful pitcher.

Most every concept has advocates with very strong opinions on either side of the argument. Too often, a theory is chosen based on popularity, conventional wisdom, or because someone famous does it that way, as opposed to one's own analysis. With so many contradicting theories, it is essential to have an understanding of all of the possible options before deciding which one to commit to.

These pitching theories are presented without judgment, without confirmation bias, with no preconceptions, and without dogma or commercialism. In turn, the strong hope is that people are inspired to do the work to make up their own mind based on as much information as possible – and in turn, do what makes most sense to them.

Last month, the discussion was about the cause of arm injuries. This month, the discussion turns to pitch calling.

PITCH CALLING

Q. What are the hardest pitches to hit?

General Belief:

- Off-speed pitches

The Data Behind Baseballs 10 Toughest Pitches (stats.com)

Other Philosophies:

- **Fastballs** Ryan Zimmerman and Joe Maddon

“A well-located fastball is still the hardest pitch to hit in the big leagues,” Ryan Zimmerman said. “I think some people forget that sometimes.”

“Absolutely, no question. Totally agree with that. And that’s how you get quick outs,” Joe Maddon added. “The group that goes away from that, it boggles my mind. They don’t understand that concept.” (mlb.com)

- **Fastballs down and Away** Leo Mazzone

I’m not telling them to throw every pitch down and away, but as long as you have that pitch, you’re always going to be good. I had a coach one time say, “Leo, how do you teach guys to pitch inside?” I said, “I teach them down-and-away.” He said, “What do you mean?” I said, “They can dictate, then, when they want to go in.” (espn.com & sbnation.com)

- **Any pitch a hitter is not timed up for** Perry Husband

By understanding where the Hitter’s Attention is, you can best pitch around it. (perryhusband.wordpress.com)

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PITCHING PROJECT

Q. Which pitch is the correct pitch to throw at a certain time (Pitch calling/Pitch Sequencing)?

General Belief:

- **Mixing it up** John Madden

By throwing inside and outside pitches you are disrupting a batter’s balance. By throwing up and down, you are changing their eye levels. By throwing hard and soft pitches, you are disrupting a batter’s timing. If you mix all three of these things up, a batter will have a hard time hitting you. (yougoprobaseball.com)

Other Philosophies:

- **The pitch that a hitter is not timed for** Perry Husband

Effective Velocity (EV) is the study of pitch speed and how location changes the reaction time by forcing the hitter to hit the ball at a contact point that is different than they were ready for.

When a pitch at 90 MPH is inside or outside, the speed “Effectively” changes because the hitter has to hit the ball earlier or later as though the pitch gained or lost speed. So, in essence, the pitch location has caused the hitter to gain or lose reaction time.

For every 6 inches that the ball changes laterally, there is a little less than 3MPH gained or lost. EV is like time management – only for reaction time. Bottom line, in an at bat, whoever understands how timing works will win most of the battles. (hittingisaguess.com)

- **Effective Velocity Elevation** Perry Husband

EV is made up of many smaller facets, that if taken one at a time, are easily understood. One of these elements is elevation. When a pitch is thrown down and inside at 88 MPH, followed by another pitch at the same speed, only higher but also inside, the elevated pitch will be faster. The pitch does not add speed really, it just goes to an area that forces the hitter to react sooner. So, “Effectively”, the elevated pitch gains speed or EV. (perryhusband.wordpress.com)

- **Effective Velocity Tunnels** Perry Husband

The idea behind pitch tunnels is to “hide” different pitch types by having them share the same trajectory - or tunnel - for the first 20 feet out of the hand. (hardballtimes.com & sbnation.com)

- **Effective Velocity** Greg Maddux sequence

When asked if he had a particular pitch sequence that stood out, Maddux replied that he did have one three-pitch approach that stood out as especially effective against even the most advanced hitters, and the sequence was rooted in Effective Velocity. Maddux claimed that he would start with a change-up located up-and-in to the hitter, would follow it up with another change-up down and away, and finish high and inside with his fastball. The Effective Velocity of that particular sequence was approximately 83, 77, and then 94 mph, with a timing adjustment that made the fastball feel like Clemens-level heat after being lulled to sleep with the cambios. (baseballprospectus.com)

- **Strikeout sequences** John Roegele

While the results of this study may have been predictable to you, I have to say that I had not expected that the three pitch sequence filled with the same pitch type would be by far the most common, nor had I realized how much the slider had taken over the league compared to the curveball and changeup! (beyondtheboxscore.com)

2025 HIGH SCHOOL STATE CHAMPIONS

Div.	Champion	Runner-Up
Alabama		
7A	Tuscaloosa County (Northport)	Enterprise
6A	Hartselle	Chelsea
5A	American Christian (Tuscaloosa)	St. Paul's Episcopal (Mobile)
4A	Deshler (Tuscumbia)	Bibb County (Centreville)
3A	Glenwood (Phenix City)	Gordo
2A	Vincent	Pike Liberal Arts (Troy)
1A	Hackleburg	Leroy
Rural AA	Clarke Prep (Grove Hill)	Southern (Greensboro)
Rural A	Lakeside School (Eufaula)	Patrician (Butler)
Alaska		
D1	Sitka	Service (Anchorage)
D2	Soldotna	Kenai Central
Arizona		
6A	Corona del Sol (Tempe)	Casteel (Queen Creek)
5A	Centennial (Peoria)	Canyon View (Waddell)
4A	Salpointe Catholic (Tucson)	Flagstaff
3A	Valley Christian (Chandler)	Yuma Catholic
2A	Phoenix Christian	Tombstone
1A	Hayden (Winkelman)	Bagdad
CAA D1	Wickenburg Christian	Gila Bend
CAA D2	Heritage (Maricopa)	AZ Compass Prep (Chandler)
Arkansas		
6A	Rogers	Fayetteville
5A	Valley View (Jonesboro)	Marion
4A	Harding (Searcy)	Brookland
3A	Ashdown	Genoa Central (Texarkana)
2A	Riverside (Lake City)	Cedar Ridge (Newark)
1A	Taylor	St. Joseph (Conway)



California		
Central Section		
D1	Centennial (Bakersfield)	St. Joseph (Santa Maria)
D2	Ridgeview (Bakersfield)	Kingsburg
D3	Fowler	Morro Bay
D4	Lemoore	Wasco
D5	Corcoran	Shafter
Sac-Joaquin Section		
D1	Franklin (Elk Grove)	St. Mary's (Stockton)
D2	Del Oro (Loomis)	Lodi
D3	Yuba City	Central Catholic (Modesto)
D4	Roseville	Bradshaw Christian (Sacramento)
D5	Lincoln	Hughson
D6	Woodland Christian	Bear River (Grass Valley)
D7	Vacaville Christian	Turlock Christian
North Coast Section		
D1	De La Salle (Concord)	College Park (Pleasant Hill)
D2	Acalanes (Lafayette)	Rancho Cotate (Rohnert Park)
D3	California (San Ramon)	Marin Catholic (Kentfield)
D4	Las Lomas (Walnut Creek)	Clear Lake (Lakeport)
D5	Arcata	Kennedy (Fremont)
D6	Saint Mary's (Albany)	Swett (Crockett)
Los Angeles City Section		
Open	El Camino Real (Woodland Hills)	Venice (Los Angeles)
D1	Carson	Banning (Wilmington)
D2	Port of Los Angeles (San Pedro)	Chavez (San Fernando)
D3	University (Los Angeles)	Jefferson (Los Angeles)
Oakland Section		
D1	Oakland Tech	Skyline (Oakland)

San Francisco Section		
AAA	Lincoln (San Francisco)	Lowell (San Francisco)
Southern Section		
D1	St. John Bosco (Bellflower)	Santa Margarita
D2	West Ranch (Valencia)	Mater Dei (Santa Ana)
D3	Glendora	San Dimas (San Dimas)
D4	Ganessa (Pomona)	Dos Pueblos (Goleta)
D5	Elsinore (Wildomar)	St. Anthony (Long Beach)
D6	Estancia (Costa Mesa)	Marshall (Pasadena)
D7	Mary Star of the Sea (San Pedro)	Notre Dame (Riverside)
D8	Fillmore	Pioneer (Whittier)
D9	Nuvier Bridge (Nuevo)	Mountain View (El Monte)
San Diego Section		
Open	Granite Hills (El Cajon)	Patrick Henry (San Diego)
D1	Point Loma (San Diego)	Rancho Bernardo (San Diego)
D2	Mt. Carmel (San Diego)	San Ysidro (San Diego)
D3	University City (San Diego)	Calexico
D4	Ramona	Otay Ranch (Chula Vista)
D5	High Tech SD (San Diego)	Crawford (San Diego)
D5AA	Rock (San Diego)	Borrego Springs
Central Coast Section		
D1	Junipero Serra (San Mateo)	Valley Christian (San Jose)
D2	Hollister	Wilcox (Santa Clara)
D3	Carmel	Willow Glen (San Jose)
D4	Santa Clara	St. Francis (Watsonville)
D5	Menlo School (Atherton)	Monterey
D6	Stevenson (Pebble Beach)	South San Francisco
Northern Section		
D2	Chico	Pleasant Valley (Chico)
D3	West Valley (Cottonwood)	Lassen (Susanville)
D4	Durham	Winters
D5	Mt. Shasta	Mt. Shasta
D6	Los Molinos	Maxwell
D7	Loyalton	Hayfork
Southern California Tournament		
D1	St. John Bosco (Bellflower)	Patrick Henry (San Diego)
D2	Rancho Bernardo (San Diego)	Point Loma (San Diego)
D3	University City (San Diego)	Mt. Carmel (San Diego)
D4	Ridgeview (Bakersfield)	Banning (Wilmington)
D5	Pioneer (Whittier)	Corcoran
Northern California Tournament		
D1	De La Salle (Concord)	Junipero Serra (San Mateo)
D2	Yuba City	Saint Francis (Mountain View)
D3	Rancho Cotate (Rohnert Park)	Roseville
D4	Menlo School (Atherton)	Santa Clara
D5	Etna	Stevenson (Pebble Beach)
Colorado		
5A	Cherry Creek (Greenwood Village)	Regis Jesuit (Aurora)
4A	Golden	Cheyenne Mt. (Colo. Springs)
3A	Coal Ridge (New Castle)	University (Greeley)
2A	Forge Christian (Arvada)	Denver Christian (Denver)
1A	Akron	Flatirons Acad. (Westminster)
Connecticut		
LL	South Windsor	Glastonbury
L	Lyman Hall (Wallingford)	Guilford
M	St. Joseph (Trumbull)	Suffield
S	St. Paul Catholic (Bristol)	Holy Cross (Waterbury)
Delaware		
State	Cape Henlopen (Lewes)	Conrad Science (Wilmington)
District of Columbia		
DCSAA	St. Albans	Jackson-Reed
Florida		
7A	Stoneman Douglas (Parkland)	Jupiter
6A	St. Thomas Aquinas (Ft. Lauderdale)	Buchholz (Gainesville)
5A	Mater Acad. (Hialeah Gardens)	Wesley Chapel
4A	American Heritage (Plantation)	Mulberry
3A	Miami Springs	South Walton (S. Rosa Beach)
2A	The First Academy (Orlando)	Trinity Christian (Jacksonville)
1A	Canterbury (Fort Myers)	St. Johns CDS (Orange Park)
Rural	Holmes County (Bonifay)	Lafayette (Mayo)
Georgia		
AAAAA	Walton (Marietta)	Lowndes (Valdosta)
AAAAA	Newnan	Houston Coun. (Warner Robins)
AAAA	Blessed Trinity (Roswell)	Cartersville
AAA	Troup County (LaGrange)	Cherokee Bluff-Flowery Branch
AA	Rockmart	Franklin County (Carnesville)
A	Gordon Lee (Chickamauga)	Pepperell (Lindale)
A DII	Lanier County (Lakeland)	Wilcox County (Rochelle)



Private Calvary Day (Savannah)	Savannah Christian	
GIAA AAAA Brookstone (Columbus)	First Presbyterian Day (Macon)	
GIAA AAA Frederica (St. Simons Isl.)	Pinewood Christian (Bellville)	
GIAA AA Gatewood (Eatonton)	SW Georgia (Damascus)	
GIAA A Citizens Christian (Douglas)	Vidalia Heritage	
GAPPS AA Creekside Christian (McDonough)	Pinecrest (Cumming)	
GAPPS A Victory Baptist (Loganville)	Hearts (Powder Springs)	
Hawaii		
D1	St. Louis (Honolulu)	Waiakoa (Hilo)
D2	Damien (Honolulu)	Kapa'a
Idaho		
5A	Middleton	Owyhee (Meridian)
4A	Bonneville (Idaho Falls)	Twin Falls
3A	Sugar-Salem (Sugar City)	Fruitland
2A	Malad	Nampa Christian
1A	Kendrick	Potlatch
Illinois		
4A	Libertyville	McHenry
3A	St. Laurence (Burbank)	Benet Acad. (Lisle)
2A	Sacred Heart-Griffin (Springfield, Ill.)	Teutopolis
1A	Marquette (Ottawa)	McGivney Cath. (Glen Carbon)
Indiana		
4A	Valparaiso	Evansville North
3A	Andean (Merrillville)	Jasper
2A	Boone Grove (Valparaiso)	Evansville Mater Dei
1A	Indianapolis Lutheran	Kouts
Kansas		
6A	Lawrence Free State	Shawnee Mission West
5A	St. Thomas Aquinas (Overland Park)	Great Bend
4A	Fort Scott	Rock Creek (St. George)
3A	Trinity (Wichita)	Hesston
2A-1A	St. Mary's-Colgan (Pittsburg)	Valley Falls
Kentucky		
State	Trinity (Louisville)	Pleasure Ridge Park (Louisville)
KCAA	Assumption Acad. (Walton)	Oak Ridge Morgantown
Louisiana		
Non-Select Div. 1	Sam Houston (Lake Charles)	Live Oak (Watson)
Non-Select Div. 2	North DeSoto (Stonewall)	Brusly
Non-Select Div. 3	Sterlington	Erath
Non-Select Div. 4	Oak Grove	Welsh
Class B	Pitkin	Family Community (Winnsboro)
Class C	Ebarb (Noble)	Harrisonburg
Select Div. 1	Catholic (Baton Rouge)	Brother Martin (New Orleans)
Select Div. 2	Teurlings Catholic (Lafayette)	E.D. White (Thibodaux)
Select Div. 3	Catholic-N.I. (New Iberia)	University Lab (Baton Rouge)
Select Div. 4	Vermilion Catholic (Abbeville)	Ouachita Christ. (Monroe)
Maine		
A	Biddeford	Mt. Ararat (Topsham)
B	Greely (Cumberland Center)	Ellsworth
C	Monmouth	Washington (E. Machias)
D	St. Dominic (Lewiston)	Bangor Christian
Maryland		
4A	Walter Johnson (Bethesda)	Urbana (Ijamsville)
3A	Sherwood (Sandy Spring)	Chopticon (Morganza)
2A	Huntingtown	Parkside (Salisbury)
1A	Allegany (Cumberland)	St. Michaels
MIAA A	John Carroll (Bel Air)	Calvert Hall (Baltimore)
MIAA B	McDonogh (Owings Mills)	St. Paul's (Brooklandville)
MIAA C	Park School (Baltimore)	St. Frances Acad. (Baltimore)

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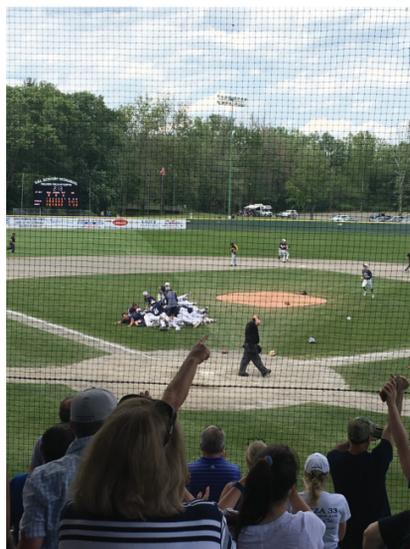
Massachusetts		
D1	Chelmsford	Braintree
D2	Walpole	Reading Memorial
D3	North Reading	Arlington Catholic
D4	Millbury	Lynnfield
D5	Pioneer Valley (Northfield)	Boston English
Michigan		
D1	Hartland	Dakota (Macomb)
D2	Forest Hills Eastern (Ada)	Standish-Sterling
D3	St. Francis (Traverse City)	Marine City
D4	St. Patrick (Portland)	Plymouth Christian (Canton)
Minnesota		
AAAA	Cretin-Derham Hall (St. Paul)	Minnetonka
AAA	Mahtomedi	Mankato East
AA	Pine Island	Glencoe-Silver Lake
A	Red Lake Central (Oklee)	New Ulm Cathedral
Mississippi		
7A	Madison Central	Brandon
6A	Saltillo	George County (Lucedale)
5A	Lafayette (Oxford)	South Jones (Ellisville)
4A	West Lauderdale (Collinsville)	Purvis
3A	Seminary	Mooreville
2A	East Union (Blue Springs)	Clarkdale (Meridian)
1A	West Union (Myrtle)	Taylorsville
MAIS 6A	Presbyterian (Hattiesburg)	Hartfield (Flowood)
MAIS 5A	Magnolia Heights (Senatobia)	Columbia
MAIS 4A	Tri-County (Flora)	North Delta (Batesville)
MAIS 3A	Prairie View (Bastrop, La.)	Regents (Oxford)
MAIS 2A	Wilkinson County (Woodville)	Calhoun
Missouri		
Class 6	Blue Springs South	Staley (Kansas City)
Class 5	Platte County	Vianney (Kirkwood)
Class 4	Chillicothe	Logan-Rogersville
Class 3	Fatima (Westphalia)	Fair Grove
Class 2	Miller	Eugene
Class 1	St. Elizabeth	Faith Christian (Kansas City)
Montana		
All-Class	Billings Central Catholic	Belgrade
Nebraska		
A	Lincoln East	Millard North (Omaha)
B	Gretna East	Bennington
C	Malcolm	Central City/Centura
Nevada		
5A	Basic (Henderson)	Reno
4A	Durango (Las Vegas)	Silverado (Las Vegas)
3A	Truckee (Calif.)	Meadows School (Las Vegas)
2A	Lake Mead Christian (Henderson)	Needles (Calif.)
1A	Indian Springs	Smith Valley
New Hampshire		
D1	Exeter	Winnacunnet (Hampton)
D2	Souhegan (Amherst)	Stark (Weare)
D3	Monadnock (East Swanzey)	Bishop Brady (Concord)
D4	Epping	Woodsville
New Jersey		
Group 1	Middlesex	Midland Park
Group 2	Gov. Livingston (Berkeley Heights)	West Morris Central (Chester)
Group 3	N. Burlington (Columbus)	Morris Knolls (Rockaway)
Group 4	Cherokee (Marlton)	Westfield
Non-Public A	Don Bosco (Ramsey)	Christian Brothers Acad. (Lincroft)
Non-Public B	Gloucester Catholic	Pope John XXIII (Sparta)
New Mexico		
5A	Sandia (Albuquerque)	Eldorado (Albuquerque)
4A	Artesia	Bloomfield
3A	New Mexico Military (Roswell)	Robertson (Las Vegas)
2A	Santa Rosa	Loving
1A	Magdalena	Gateway Christian (Roswell)
New York		
AAA	Saratoga Springs	Ketcham (Wappingers Falls)
AA	Horseheads	Fox Lane (Bedford)
A	Mendon (Pittsford)	Maine-Endwell
B	Babylon	Putnam Valley
C	Saratoga Catholic	Deposit-Hancock
D	Oriskany	North Warren Central
PSAL AAA	Tottenville (Staten Island)	Inwood (New York)
PSAL AA	Hunter College (New York)	McKee Vo-Tech (Staten Island)
PSAL A	Comprehensive Model (Bronx)	Baruch College (New York)
NYSAIS	Feldston (Bronx)	Long Island Lutheran (Brookville)
North Carolina		
4A	T.C. Roberson (Asheville)	Laney (Wilmington)
3A	North Lincoln	J.H. Rose (Greenville)
2A	East Rutherford (Forest City)	South Lenoir (Deep Run)
1A	Uwharrie Charter (Asheboro)	Perquimans (Hertford)
NCISAA 4A	Wesleyan Christian (High Point)	Metrolina Christian (Indian Trail)
NCISAA 3A	Grace Christian (Sanford)	Gaston Christian (Gastonia)
NCISAA 2A	Burlington Christian	Freedom Christian (Fayetteville)
NCISAA 1A	Lawrence Acad. (Merry Hill)	Kerr-Vance Acad. (Henderson)
NCCSA 2A	Bethel Christian (Kinston)	Greenville Christian
NCCSA 1A	Calvary Christian (King)	Rockwell Christian
North Dakota		
A	Sheyenne (West Fargo)	Minot
B	Thompson	LaMoure/Litchville-Marion
Ohio		
D1	Olentangy (Lewis Center)	Springboro
D2	Anthony Wayne (Whitehouse)	Steele (Amherst)
D3	Licking Valley (Newark)	University School (Hunting Valley)
D4	Lake Catholic (Mentor)	Perkins (Sandusky)
D5	Waynedale (Apple Creek)	Graham Local (St. Paris)
D6	Hiland (Berlin)	Lake Center Christian (Hartsville)
D7	Minster	Newark Catholic
South Dakota		
A	Brandon Valley	Jefferson (Sioux Falls)
B	Dell Rapids	Dakota Valley (North Sioux City)
Tennessee		
AAAA	Farragut (Knoxville)	Clarksville
AAA	Greeneville	Munford
AA	Lakeland Prep	Huntingdon
A	Eagleville	Coalfield
D2	AA Lipscomb (Nashville)	Christ Presbyterian (Nashville)
D2 A	Columbia	Clarksville
Texas		
6A	D1 Midway (Waco)	Atascocita (Humble)
5A	D1 Aledo	Smithson Valley (Spring Branch)
4A	D1 Calallen (Corpus Christi)	Pleasant Grove (Texarkana)
3A	D1 London (Corpus Christi)	Liberty-Eylau (Texarkana)
2A	D1 Centerville	New Home
6A	D2 Kingwood	Tomball
5A	D2 Grapevine	Kingwood Park
4A	D2 Spring Hill (Longview)	Wimberley
3A	D2 Wall	Thrall
2A	D2 Collinsville	Overton
1A	Fayetteville	Gordon
TAPPS D1	Central Catholic (San Antonio)	Prestonwood Christian (Plano)
TAPPS D2	Lutheran South (Houston)	Grapevine Faith Christian
TAPPS D3	McKinney Christian	Northland Christian (Houston)
TAPPS D4	Alpha Omega (Huntsville)	Calvary (Denton)
TAPPS D5	Sacred Heart (Hallettsville)	First Baptist (Dallas)
Southwest Prep 4A	Kinkaid (Houston)	Episcopal (Bellaire)
Southwest Prep 3A	Fort Worth CDS	Cooper (The Woodlands)
Utah		
6A	American Fork	Lehi
5A	Spanish Fork	Brighton (Salt Lake City)
4A	Crimson Cliffs (Washington)	Snow Canyon (St. George)
3A	Canyon View (Cedar City)	Juab (Nephi)
2A	South Sevier (Monroe)	Kanab
Vermont		
D1	St. Johnsbury	Mt. Anthony (Bennington)
D2	Missisquoi Valley (Swanton)	Enosburg Falls
D3	Thetford	White River Valley (Royalton)
D4	Blue Mountain (Wells River)	West Rutland
Virginia		
Class 6	Gainesville	Battlefield (Haymarket)
Class 5	Ocean Lakes (Virginia Beach)	Cox (Virginia Beach)
Class 4	Heritage (Leesburg)	Woodgrove (Purcellville)
Class 3	Spotswood (Penn Laird)	Abingdon
Class 2	Appomattox	King William
Class 1	Auburn (Riner)	Fort Chiswell (Max Meadows)
VISAA D1	Miller-Albemarle (Charlottesville)	Paul VI (Chantilly)
VISAA D2	Highland (Warrenton)	Steward (Richmond)
VISAA D3	Walsingham (Williamsburg)	Life Christian (Chester)
Washington		
4A	Lake Washington (Kirkland)	Eastlake (Sammamish)
3A	Mount Vernon	Kennewick
2A	Bainbridge	Anacortes
1A	Bellevue Christian (Clyde Hill)	La Center
2B	Tri-Cities Prep (Pasco)	Freeman (Rockford)
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High School Baseball National Poll

#	School	City	State	Record	Coach
1	Stoneman Douglas HS	Parkland	Fla.	31-2	Todd Fitz-Gerald
2	Calallen HS	Corpus Christi	Texas	34-2	Steve Chapman
3	St. John Bosco HS	Long Beach	Calif.	27-4	Andy Rojo
4	Corona HS	Corona	Calif.	28-3	Andy Wise
5	St. Johns College HS	Washington	D.C.	30-1	Mark Gibbs
6	Magnolia Heights HS	Senatobia	Miss.	39-5	Chris McMinn
7	James Island Charter	Charleston	S.C.	30-4	Matt Spivey
8	Grapevine HS	Grapevine	Texas	35-3	Jimmy Webster
9	Puyallup HS	Puyallup	Wash.	28-1	Marc Wiese
10	South Walton HS	South Rosa Beach	Fla.	31-4	Nick Borthwick
11	Aquinas HS	San Bernadino	Calif.	25-3	Mike Carpentier
12	Owasso HS	Owasso	Okla.	39-3	Larry Turner
13	Walton HS	Marietta	Ga.	33-8	Russ Wright
14	Staley HS	Kansas City	Mo.	37-3	Diondre Josenberger
15	Corona del Sol HS	Tempe	Ariz.	27-6	Dave Webb
16	Trinity HS	Louisville	Ky.	34-3	Rick Arnold
17	Miller School	Charlottesville	Va.	34-6	Billy Wagner
18	Newnan HS	Newnan	Ga.	32-5	Marc Gilmore
19	South Salem HS	Salem	Ore.	29-1	Max Price
20	Kingwood HS	Kingwood	Texas	38-4	Michael Oros
21	Crespi Carmelite HS	Encino	Calif.	24-3	Mike Glendenning
22	Governor Livingston HS	Berkeley Heights	N.J.	24-0	Chris Roof
23	Madison HS	Vienna	Va.	22-3	Mark Gjormand
24	The First Academy	Orlando	Fla.	30-4	Alan Kunkel
25	Howell HS	St. Charles	Mo.	34-4	Tony Perkins
26	Catholic HS	Baton Rouge	La.	37-5	Brad Bass
27	Huntington Beach HS	Huntington Beach	Calif.	24-5	Benji Medure
28	Trinity Christian Academy	Jacksonville	Fla.	30-5	Jonathan Murphy
29	American Fork HS	American Fork	Utah	28-4	Jarod Ingersoll
30	Memorial HS	Houston	Texas	29-5	Jeremy York
31	Gloucester Catholic HS	Gloucester City	N.J.	21-3	Dennis Barth
32	Andreas HS	Merrillville	Ind.	30-3	Dave Pishkur
33	Miami Springs HS	Miami Spings	Fla.	28-3	David Fanshawe
34	Lincoln East HS	Lincoln	Neb.	33-3	Mychal Lanik
35	Cedar Grove HS	Greenwood	Ill.	25-4	Keith Hartfield
36	Archbishop Moeller HS	Cincinnati	Ohio	25-3	Tim Held
37	Arcadia HS	Arcadia	Calif.	26-4	Nick Lemas
38	Cherry Creek HS	Greenwood Village	Colo.	23-5	Joe Smith
39	Thurston HS	Springfield	Ore.	26-3	Dennis Minium
40	Roberson HS	Asheville	N.C.	27-6	Eric Filipek
41	American Heritage HS	Plantation	Fla.	28-6	Bruce Aven
42	Live Oak HS	Watson	La.	33-8	Jesse Cassard
43	De La Salle HS	Concord	Calif.	26-4	David Jeans
44	Blessed Trinity HS	Roswell	Ga.	32-5	Jamie Wagner
45	Owyhee HS	Meridian	Idaho	28-4	Russ Wright
46	Hartselle HS	Hartselle	Ala.	35-9	Brad Phillips
47	Ketcham HS	Wappingers Falls	N.Y.	20-4	Pat Mealy
48	Lawrence Free State HS	Lawrence	Kan.	28-2	Mike Hill
49	Olathe West HS	Olathe	Kan.	25-2	Mike Zegunis
50	Brother Rice HS	Chicago	Ill.	33-3	Sean McBride

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Top 50 HS Teams State Map



Top 50 Teams by State

California	7	Long Beach, Corona, San Bernadino, Crespi Carmelite, Huntington Beach, Arcadia, De La Salle	Colorado	1	Cherry Creek
Florida	6	Stoneman Douglas, South Walton, First Academy, Trinity Christian Academy, Miami Springs, American Heritage	Idaho	1	Owyhee
Texas	4	Calallen, Grapevine, Kingwood, Memorial	Indiana	1	Andreas
Georgia	3	Walton, Newnan, Blessed Trinity	Kentucky	1	Trinity
Illinois	2	Cedar Grove, Brother Rice	Mississippi	1	Magnolia Heights
Kansas	2	Lawrence, Olathe West	Nebraska	1	Lincoln East
Louisiana	2	Catholic, Live Oak	New York	1	Ketcham
Missouri	2	Staley, Howell	North Carolina	1	Roberson
New Jersey	2	Governor Livingston, Gloucester Catholic	Ohio	1	Archbishop Moeller
Oregon	2	South Salem, Thurston	Oklahoma	1	Owasso
Virginia	2	Miller School, Madison	South Carolina	1	James Island
Alabama	1	Hartselle	Utah	1	American Fork
Arizona	1	Corona del Sol	Washington	1	Puyallup
			Washington D.C.	1	St. John's College

National Polls - College

NCAA Division I (presented by USA Today) Final Poll (6/23/25)

1	LSU	53-15
2	Coastal Carolina	56-13
3	Arkansas	50-15
4	Oregon State	48-16
5	UCLA	48-18
6	Louisville	42-24
7	Arizona	44-21
8	North Carolina	46-15
9	Florida State	42-16
10	Tennessee	46-19
11	Murray State	44-17
12	Texas	44-14
13	Auburn	41-20
14	Vanderbilt	43-18
15	Georgia	43-17
16	Oregon	42-16
17	West Virginia	44-16
18	Ole Miss	43-21
19	Southern Miss	47-16
20	Clemson	45-18
21	Duke	41-21
22	Texas-San Antonio	47-15
23	UC Irvine	43-17
24	Miami	35-27
25	Georgia Tech	41-19

Receiving Votes:

Florida, Alabama, Northeastern, Dallas Baptist, Oklahoma, Wake Forest, TCU, Kansas, Virginia, NC State, East Carolina, Western Kentucky, Oklahoma St., Mississippi St., Creighton, USC, Austin Peay, Arizona St., East Tennessee St., Troy, Cincinnati, Little Rock

NCAA Division II (presented by Netting Professionals) Final Poll (6/10/25)

1	Tampa (Fla.)	55-10
2	Central Missouri	48-14
3	NW Nazarene (Idaho)	46-16
4	Lenoir-Rhyne (N.C.)	50-15
5	Texas-Tyler	49-13
6	Angelo State (Texas)	48-10
7	Catawba (N.C.)	46-14
8	Pittsburg State (Kan.)	42-12
9	Minnesota State	51-8
10	East Stroudsburg (Pa.)	41-16
11	Cal State Monterey Bay	39-19
12	Millersville (Pa.)	44-10
13	North Greenville (S.C.)	45-15
14	Westmont (Calif.)	43-14
15	West Florida	36-21
16	Florida Southern	38-15-1
17	Felician (N.J.)	43-22
18	Northwood (Mich.)	40-22
19	Davenport (Mich.)	42-15
20	Belmont Abbey (N.C.)	41-17
21	Young Harris (Ga.)	40-17
22	Grand Valley St. (Mich.)	43-14
23	Colorado Mesa	42-14
24	Lander (S.C.)	43-15
25	North Georgia	41-17
26	Point Loma (Calif.)	39-18
27	Seton Hill (Pa.)	40-18
28	St. Edward's (Texas)	37-23
29	Mississippi College	35-23
30	Harding (Ark.)	41-19

Others receiving votes: Jefferson (Pa.); Central Oklahoma; West Chester (Pa.); Franklin Pierce (N.H.); Indianapolis (Ind.); Carson-Newman (Tenn.); Francis Marion (S.C.)

NCAA Division III (presented by Netting Professionals) Final Poll (6/10/25)

1	Wisconsin-Whitewater	49-6
2t	Denison (Ohio)	41-7
2t	Endicott (Mass.)	45-6
4	Messiah (Pa.)	39-16
5	Johns Hopkins (Md.)	44-5
6	Rowan (N.J.)	38-12
7	Kean (N.J.)	41-11
8	Trinity (Texas)	41-10
9	Lynchburg (Va.)	41-9
10	Salisbury (Md.)	34-10
11	Salve Regina (R.I.)	36-9
12	Claremont (Calif.)	35-15
13	Wisconsin-Oshkosh	35-16
14	Case Western (Ohio)	30-14-1
15	La Verne (Calif.)	35-11
16	Wisconsin-La Crosse	35-11
17	Belhaven (Miss.)	34-15
18	McMurry (Texas)	35-13
19	Centre (Ky.)	32-11
20	Webster (Mo.)	37-9
21	Gustavus Adolphus (Minn.)	37-9
22	Brockport (N.Y.)	36-5-2
23t	Concordia (Texas)	35-13
23t	Pomona-Pitzer (Calif.)	32-17
25	Cortland (N.Y.)	31-13
26	Millsaps (Miss.)	29-15
27	Penn State-Harrisburg	34-13-1
28	Mount Union (Ohio)	28-13
29	Keystone (Pa.)	37-11
30	East Texas Baptist	31-16

Others receiving votes: Maryville (Tenn.) 54; Emory (Ga.) 44; Buena Vista (Iowa) 37; Randolph-Macon (Va.) 19; Whitworth (Wash.) 18; Cal Lutheran 17; Chicago (Ill.) 17; Ramapo (N.J.) 10; Baldwin Wallace (Ohio) 8; Gettysburg (Pa.) 8; Washington-St. Louis (Mo.) 2; Adrian (Mich.) 1; Bethany Lutheran (Minn.) 1

NAIA Final Poll (6/4/25)

1	LSU Shreveport (La.)	59-0
2	Southeastern (Fla.)	47-15
3	Georgia Gwinnett	56-7
4	Hope International (Calif.)	48-10
5	Tennessee Wesleyan	48-14
6	Cumberlands (Ky.)	50-12
7	Loyola (La.)	42-18
8	Webber International (Fla.)	44-15
9	Reinhardt (Ga.)	43-13
10	Taylor (Ind.)	47-11
11	British Columbia	39-19
12	Missouri Baptist	42-11
13	Grand View (Iowa)	38-14
14	William Carey (Miss.)	38-14
15	Oklahoma Wesleyan	47-11
16	Concordia (Neb.)	41-13
17	Arizona Christian	40-16-1
18	Columbia (Mo.)	43-11
19	Mid-America Christ, (Okla.)	41-17
20	Houston-Victoria (Texas)	38-17
21	Wayland Baptist (Texas)	42-19
22t	Indiana Southeast	32-18
22t	Bellevue (Neb.)	40-15
24	Keiser (Fla.)	37-17
25	Johnson (Tenn.)	36-18

Receiving Votes: Central Methodist (Mo.) 69, Kansas Wesleyan 54, Cumberland (Tenn.) 43, Abraham Baldwin (Ga.) 38, Oakland City (Ind.) 35, MidAmerica Naz. (Kan.) 31, Ave Maria (Fla.) 15, Lewis-Clark State (Idaho) 11, Indiana Wesleyan 5.

Northwest Community College NWAC Final Poll (5/13/25)

1	Lower Columbia	
2	Everett	
3	Linn-Benton	
4	Bellevue	
5	Tacoma	
6	Spokane	
7	Columbia Basin	
8	Edmonds	
9	Umpqua	
10	Chemeketa	

Junior College NJCAA Div. 1 Final Poll (5/5/25)

1	Walters State CC	49-6-1
2	LSU Eunice	51-3
3	Weatherford	44-11
4	Johnson County CC	45-11
5	Blinn	40-12
6	Florida Southwestern State	41-14
7	John A. Logan	47-8
8	Cowley County CC	41-10
9	Florence-Darlington Tech	48-9
10	Shelton State CC	43-11
11	Gulf Coast State	35-14
12	Midland	46-9
13	College of Southern Nevada	45-11
14	Mineral Area	38-6
15	Salt Lake CC	38-10
16	Georgia Highlands	42-10
17	McLennan CC	40-16
18	Central Arizona	39-16
19	Barton Community	40-11
20	Indian River State	34-16
21	Cloud County CC	42-14
22	Manatee-Sarasota	37-19
23	San Jacinto North	36-15
24	College of Central Florida	36-16
25	Iowa Western CC	38-17

Receiving Votes: Odessa, Southwestern Illinois, Cochise, Gadsden St., Gaston, Crowder, Grayson, Northwest Florida St.

Junior College NJCAA Div. 3 Final Poll (5/12/25)

1	Rowan S. Jersey - Gloucester	47-4
2	SUNY Niagara	46-0
3	Brookdale CC	37-8
4	Dallas Eastfield	43-12
5	Hudson Valley CC	37-2
6	Herkimer	33-4
7	Suffolk CC	40-12
8	Dallas Richland	32-22
9	Northern Essex CC	29-8
10	Surry CC	36-12
11	Owens CC	29-16
12	Century	40-9
13	Dallas Brookhaven	32-24
14	Oakton CC	32-25
15	Caldwell CC & Tech.	28-20

Receiving Votes: Finger Lakes, Salem, RCSJ-Cumberland, Monroe-Bronx, Joliet

Junior College NJCAA Div. 2 Final Poll (5/12/25)

1	Pasco-Hernando State	48-10
2	Pearl River CC	48-7
3	South Mountain CC	45-16
4	Heartland CC	43-13
5	East Central CC	41-12
6	Southeastern CC	48-13
7	Madison	40-9
8	Kankakee CC	44-8
9	Lansing CC	42-11
10	Pima CC	47-13
11	Black Hawk	46-12
12	Frederick CC	48-10
13	Iowa Central CC	42-15
14	Jones	35-15
15	Pitt CC	34-11
16	Elgin CC	40-12
17	Wallace CC-Dothan	30-25
18	Catawba Valley CC	42-16
19	Brunswick CC	32-17
20	South Florida State	34-22
21	Cuyahoga CC	43-6
22	Kellogg CC	35-13
23	South Arkansas CC	35-18
24	Northern Oklahoma-Tonkawa	50-9
25	Hagerstown CC	42-17

Receiving Votes: Northern Oklahoma-Enid, North Central Missouri

California Community College Final Poll (5/29/25)

1	Mt. San Antonio	45-6
2	West Valley	40-13
3	Cypress	39-12
4	Sierra	33-16
5	Santa Rosa	44-3
6	Fresno City	37-9
7	Palomar	36-13
8	Glendale	33-15-1
9	Cerritos	33-11
10	Riverside City	31-14
11	Chaffey	34-11-1
12	Feather River	33-12
13	Skyline	33-12
14	El Camino	32-14
15	Grossmont	31-13
16	San Mateo	28-16
17	Folsom Lake	28-18
18	Fullerton	23-23
19	Santa Ana	25-17
20	Cuesta	27-17
21	Chabot	28-14
22	Los Medanos	28-15
23	Saddleback	23-14
24	Marin	18-16-1
25	Ohlone	32-11

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Getting by with less than your best stuff

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One of the things that separates great athletes from average ones is their ability to find a way to get by when they are not at their best.

Major League pitchers will tell you that there are many games over the course of a season where they don’t have their best stuff. Their fastball doesn’t have the same life, or their breaking ball isn’t as sharp, or maybe none of their pitches are at their usual level.

The best of them find ways to still get through a game even if it isn’t always pretty. Sometimes they need a little more help than usual from their relief pitchers.

And so it is with the rest of us.

There are going to be those days where mentally you’re just not feeling it. Or maybe physically you’re drained. Either way you don’t have your “best stuff” working for you.

That’s OK. That’s normal. There’s no need to beat yourself up about it, because that will just make your day harder.

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