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On behalf of the Arizona Interscholastic Association, I would like to welcome all the participants, coaches, family and friends to our state championship. It is our pleasure to be able to bring you a fantastic event.

It took a great deal of hard work to reach this point. The AIA recognizes the strength it took to get here, as well as the sacrifices made along the way. And for that, we say thank you. The student-athletes, administrators, coaches and families have all earned our gratitude.

While attending this championship, we hope that it is an enjoyable experience for all. The lessons learned regarding sportsmanship and fair play are elevated here. Athletics are an extension of the classroom, which is why we accentuate the “student” in student-athlete. State championships are just a springboard to the success these student-athletes will achieve when the competition is over. In the process of deriving enjoyment from participation in athletics, our student-athletes are learning lifelong skills that will help them develop into healthy adults and productive citizens. National research continues to validate that students involved in extracurricular activities attend more days of school, perform better in the classroom and have less behavioral issues. This also includes lower dropout, alcohol and drug abuse rates as compared to those who do not participate. The benefits of participation are extensive.

The AIA began in 1913 and has grown by leaps and bounds over the years. Along with the Executive Board, the AIA vigorously defends and promotes the positive developments of athletics, creates a culture that fosters self-governance and ethical behavior, and teaches, enforces, advocates and models the principles of the Arizona Accord and “Pursuing Victory With Honor.” Today, nearly 125,000 student-athletes statewide benefit from the leadership of our Board, administrators and hard-working coaches on an annual basis.

As you enjoy all the championship contests, please show respect to those around you. Displays of good sportsmanship will place you in high regard along with your school and your community, and remind us all that, sports are meant to be fun and enjoyed by not only those participating, but those in attendance. The AIA hopes this championship, as well as any others you may attend, achieves the level of excellence our student-athletes deserve. Remember that these are “our students, our teams ... our future.”

**DAVID HINES**  
**AIA Executive Director**



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North Pointe Prep  
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Shadow Ridge  
Sierra Linda  
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South Mountain  
St. Mary's  
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Sunrise Mountain  
Tempe  
Tempe Prep  
Thunderbird  
Tolleson  
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Trevor Browne  
Trivium Prep  
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Amphitheater  
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Canyon Del Oro  
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Catalina Foothills

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# 4A BB State Championship Bracket

**Round 2A, April 30**

**Round 3A  
May 2**

**Semifinal  
May 9**

**Final  
May 14**

Salpointe Catholic (#8)

*NHS, 6:00 pm*

Salpointe

Nogales (#1)

(4-2)

Sunrise Mountain (#5)

*CDOHS, 4:00 pm*

Sunrise Mt.

Canyon Del Oro (#4)

(7-6)

*Tempe Diablo  
6:30 pm*

Sunrise Mt.

(6-3)

**May 2**

**May 5**

*Tempe Diablo  
6:30 pm*

CDO

Nogales

Nogales

(9-2)

Salpointe

Nogales

(5-2)

If the winner of the Round A Semifinal has a previous loss in the tournament, this game will be played to determine the Pool A Champion. HoHoKam Stadium ... May 12 ... Time TBA.

**Round 2B, April 30**

**Round 3B  
May 2**

**Semifinal  
May 9**

*HoHoKam Stadium  
7:00 pm*

**State  
Champion**

Thunderbird (#7)

*CFHS, 4:00 pm*

Cata. Foothills

Catalina Foothills (#2)

(14-1)

St. Mary's (#11)

*SCP, 4:00 pm*

Seton

Seton Catholic (#3)

(9-2)

*HoHoKam Stadium  
6:30 pm*

Cata. Foothills

(3-1)

If the winner of the Round B Semifinal has a previous loss in the tournament, this game will be played to determine the Pool B Champion. HoHoKam Stadium ... May 11... Time TBA.

**May 2**

**May 5**

*Tempe Diablo  
4:00 pm*

St. Mary's

St. Mary's

Thunderbird

(9-0)

Seton

St. Mary's

(9-7)





*Catalina Foothills' Chris Kowalcek (photo by Chris Hook of maxpreps.com)*

**By Jose Garcia**  
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There are plenty of important storylines to follow heading into the 4A Conference baseball semifinals.

We'll begin with the defending champ and No. 1 seed, Nogales, which isn't playing just for itself. The day before its first playoff game, Nogales lost one of its biggest fans, Nogales police officer Jesus Cordova.

Cordova was shot and killed by a carjacker, leaving behind three children and Cordova's pregnant wife. Nogales is dedicating its playoff run to Cordova and his family.

Cordova would at times stop by Nogales' games while on duty, according to the [tucson.com](http://tucson.com). Nogales has to defeat Sunrise Mountain twice in the semifinals to get to the 4A final for the second straight year.

Sunrise Mountain coach Eric Gardner is in his 21st

season and back in a familiar spot. This is his fifth time in the semifinals with Sunrise Mountain, which is 0-3 in championship games.

Also seeking their first championship are semifinal opponents St. Mary's and Nogales' Kino Region mate, Catalina Foothills.

Catalina Foothills just needs one more win to earn the program's third title game appearance. St. Mary's has produced its share of Major League players but has never reached a final.

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## 4A SEMIFINAL PREVIEW

### GAMES AT TEMPE DIABLO STADIUM MAY 9

**No. 5 Sunrise Mountain (27-3) vs. No. 1 Nogales (27-5), 4 p.m.:** "This year's (Sunrise Mountain) team plays with a lot of energy every day," Gardner said.



"We have had very consistent pitching throughout the year with a team ERA below two (1.36). I think we have one of the more complete and balanced teams, offensively and defensively, in years." Contributing heavily at the plate and in the field is UNLV-signee Troy Balko. The senior has allowed three earned runs in a game only once this year and is 8-0 on the mound. Of the Sunrise Mountain players who have played 25 or more games, Balko's .430 batting average ranks third. The other senior leader on the team is INF Tyler Pruitt, whose fraternal twin brother, Trevor (.408 ave.), is also on the team. Their mom, Jody, is Sunrise Mountain's softball coach. Tyler is batting .465, the highest average among the regular starters. Tyler also leads the team with 35 stolen bases. Sr. EJ Sua was leading the team with 26 RBIs.

Nogales avenged its only loss — 4-2 to Salpointe — of the postseason with the help of German Fajardo. The 8-1 pitcher struck out eight in six inning in his team's 5-2 win over Salpointe, which Nogales defeated three times this season, to advance to play Sunrise Mountain. Nogales is loaded with pitching depth. The staff's ERA was 2.03 after 203 1/3 innings. If ace Fajardo doesn't pitch, there's still So. Gerardo Martinez (6-0, 2.16 ERA), Sr. Markie Lopez (5-1, 1.83 ERA, New Mexico St.) and Sr. Alex Acevedo (4-1, 2.45 ERA). Jr. Ricky Maytorena has walked 23 times. Jr. Mario Duarte's fielding percentage is .974 after 190 total chances. Sr. Kevin Jimenez (.452 ave, team high 21 stoles bases in 31 attempts), Jr. Jorge Bojorquez (.410), Sr. Kenneth Jimenez (.444 ave., 38 RBI's) and Jr. Luis Rodriguez (.412) are the team's .400-plus batting average hitters. Sr. Marcel Bacehelier was second on the team with 35 RBI's. Jimenez (New Mexico State) and Bacehelier (University of Arizona) are the captains. "The team has had a successful season because players worked hard in the off season to prepare for the long season," 14-year coach Oscar Favela said. "We have a solid lineup that can get on base and bring runs in from top to bottom. The pitchers have done a great job of throwing strikes and have avoided giving up the big innings. We are five deep on the mound, which has made the many three-game weeks easier to manage. The team has a great chemistry and really play hard for each other." The team also sports a cumulative 3.88 GPA and 10 of the 18 have 4.0 or above GPAs. Sr. OF/INF Diego Favela has accepted a United States Air Force Academy appointment.

**No. 11 St. Mary's (21-11) vs. No. 2 Catalina Foothills (23-7) 6:30 p.m.:** Catalina Foothills was 12-14 last year (Only the second losing season in its past 14

years). "The senior class has been the most enjoyable group of kids I have ever coached," said sixth-year Catalina Foothills coach Jim Baldwin. "They define what a team is about." The overall team leader is Sr. OF Chris Kowalcek (.409 ave.). Sr. C/OF/P Dante Deniro, the best catcher in the state, according to Baldwin, is also a closer and "best pure clutch hitter on the team." Sr. P/INF Cole Altherr (5-0, 2.87 ERA) is the team's big-game pitcher. He is 2-0 with 12 strikeouts and two earned runs in 10 innings in the playoffs. P/DH Will Saul (5-1, 2.35 ERA) "has pitched solid all year long." RF Matt Cullen is the team's most improved player. "All of these guys have stepped up for us in the playoffs," Baldwin said. The team's GPA is 3.51. Five players have stolen at least 12 bases or more this season. Catalina Foothills has outscored its playoff opponents 20-4.

St. Mary's: Sr. P/INF Thaddeus Tanner is 9 for 17 in the playoffs. St. Mary's dresses 11 seniors and seven returners from last year's team. "This group plays well together and is very tight," St. Mary's coach Joseph Ponce said. "Also, we do a lot of work in-season and out of season in the weight room, which I believe has made an impact. Lastly, we play in a lot of fall and winter tournaments to prepare ourselves for our seasons." The last time St. Mary's was in the playoffs was in 2012. The program was 5-22-1 two years ago and 11-11 last year. From 2014-16, Ponce, originally from Fresno, was an assistant varsity baseball and football coach at Deer Valley High. St. Mary's batting average (.313) and ERA (3.64) aren't that impressive, but the team continues to find ways to win in the playoffs. "I will tell you it's been a different guy each game," Ponce said. "We've had five playoffs games, and it seems like we've had a different two guys step up every game. "I love my kids, and I think we have overachieved in some situations." Sr. Joey Zubio has pitched, caught and played first base in the last four games. Jr. Carlos Jasso has also come up big in key situations during the playoffs. Six of Ponce's assistants in the program are St. Mary's alums, including pitching coach Michael Nunez and catcher coach Cody Berumen.





## 4A Baseball State Semifinalists

### Catalina Foothills Falcons



No. Player/Pos.	Yr.
1...Logan Sanders, OF/SS	Jr.
2...Chris Kowalcek, OF	Sr.
3...Joel Collier, C/P	Sr.
4...Matthew Cullen, OF	Sr.
5...Alec Larson, IF	Jr.
6...Chet Dwyer, OF	Sr.
7...Noah Cullen, 2B	Sr.
8...Christian Rodriguez, 1B/P	So.
10...Will Saul, P/OF	Sr.
11...Sam Gustafson, IF	Jr.
13...Cole Altherr, P/3B	Sr.
16...Jack Reynolds	So.
18...Logan Buick	So.
19...Daniel Enriquez, P	Jr.
22...Tyler Thomas, P/3B	Sr.
23...Will Parker, P/OF	So.
24...Dante DeNiro, C/OF	Sr.
27...Patrick McMahon, P	Jr.
28...Noah Rojas, P	Jr.
31...Gabe Soto	So.
32...Chase Goorman, 1B/C	So.
33...Ruben Enriquez	Fr.
35...Tate Jernigan, OF	Sr.

### Nogales Apaches

No. Player/Pos.	Ht.	Yr.
1...Diego Favela, OF/IF	5-10	Sr.
2...German Fajardo, P/C	6-0	Jr.
3...Ricky Maytorena, OF/IF	5-8	Jr.
4...Marcel Bachelier, OF/P	6-0	Sr.
5...Kevin Jimenez, IF	5-11	Sr.
7...Alex Ramos, C/OF	5-10	Jr.
8...Mario Duarte, C	5-10	Jr.
9...Brayan Espinoza, IF	5-8	Fr.
9...Aaron Solis, P/OF	5-8	So.
10...Jorge Bojorquez, IF	6-0	Jr.
11...Fernie Rodriguez, IF/OF	5-6	Jr.
12...Jesus Lopez, IF	6-2	Jr.
13...Gerardo Martinez, P	5-9	So.
14...Alec Acevedo, IF/P	6-0	Jr.
15...Kenneth Jimenez, IF/C	5-5	So.
16...Miguel Vega, P/IF	6-1	Jr.
21...Danny Moreno, IF	6-1	Sr.
23...Matt Bachelier, P/IF	6-1	So.
25...Luis Rodriguez, OF	5-9	Jr.
31...Mikey Gerardo, OF/P	5-10	Jr.
33...Sammy Legleu, IF/OF	6-0	Sr.
55...Markie Lopez, P	5-10	Sr.







## 4A Baseball State Semifinalists

### *St. Mary's Knights*



No. Player/Pos.	Ht.	Yr.
1...Thaddeus Tanner, IF	5-10	Sr.
2...Jose Olivas, CF/P	5-9	Sr.
3...Dominik Zubia, OF	5-8	Sr.
4...Gino Caperon, CF/2B	5-10	Sr.
6...Joey Zubia, C/P	5-10	Sr.
7...Alex Smith-Amaya, P/3B	6-1	Jr.
8...Adam Baratta, OF	5-10	Jr.
9...Josh Avila, RF/1B	5-7	Sr.
10...Andrew Suarez, 3B/LF	5-10	Sr.
12...Carlos Jasso, C/P	5-10	Jr.
13...Tony Hernandez, 2B	5-10	Jr.
15...Frank Palacio, 1B/DH	6-1	Sr.
16...Angel Montoya, P/1B	5-10	Sr.
18...Chris Quick, IF	6-0	Jr.
19...Ben Sanford, 3B/OF	5-7	Fr.
20...Aidan Sanford, 3B/OF	5-10	Jr.
21...Adrian Bustillos, P/3B	6-4	Jr.
22...Antonio Flores, P/CF	6-2	Jr.
23...Damon cacho, C/P	5-10	Jr.
24...Matt Armendariz, P/SS	5-11	Sr.
25...Matt Medina, P/2B	5-6	Jr.
26...Jose Pacheco, P/1B	5-10	Sr.

### *Sunrise Mountain Mustangs*

No. Player	Yr.
2...Andy Moreno	Fr.
3...Jarrett Kellerhals	Jr.
4...Joey Agate	Jr.
5...Caden Albertson	Sr.
6...Tyler Pruitt	Sr.
7...Caleb Thomason	Jr.
8...Jacob Stockton	So.
9...Carter Krosky	Jr.
10...EJ Sua	Sr.
11...Trevor Pruitt	Sr.
12...Troy Balko	Sr.
13...Ethan Snodgrass	Jr.
16...Tyler Davis	So.
17...Garrett Moltz	So.
19...Noah Thompson	Jr.
20...Austin Thomason	Fr.
21...Tanner Burton	So.
23...David Norman	Jr.
24...Justin Welborn	Jr.
33...Kai Hedrick	Sr.
44...Troy Rasmussen	Jr.
55...Alec Myers	Sr.





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# 5A BB State Championship Bracket

**Round 2A, April 30**

**Round 3A  
May 3**

**Semifinal  
May 10**

**Final  
May 15**

Queen Creek (#8)

*Tempe Diablo, 6:30 pm*

Mesquite (#1)

Chaparral (#12)

*Tempe Diablo, 4:00 pm*

Liberty (#4)

Queen Creek

(11-1)

*Tempe Diablo  
7:30 pm*

Liberty

(2-1)

Liberty

(4-3)

**May 3**

**May 7**

*Tempe Diablo  
6:30 pm*

Chaparral

Mesquite

Mesquite

(3-1)

Queen Creek

If the winner of the Round A Semifinal has a previous loss in the tournament, this game will be played to determine the Pool A Champion. HoHoKam Stadium ... May 11 ... Time TBA.

**Round 2B, April 30**

**Round 3B  
May 3**

**Semifinal  
May 10**

*Tempe Diablo  
4:00 pm*

Buena (#7)

*HoHoKam, 6:30 pm*

Verrado (#2)

Notre Dame Prep (#6)

*HoHoKam, 4:00 pm*

Flowing Wells (#3)

Verrado

(7-3)

*HoHoKam Stadium  
6:30 pm*

Notre Dame

(16-8)

Verrado

(5-4)

**May 4**

**May 7**

*Tempe Diablo  
4:00 pm*

Buena

Flowing Wells

Flowing Wells

(10-0)

Notre Dame

If the winner of the Round B Semifinal has a previous loss in the tournament, this game will be played to determine the Pool B Champion. HoHoKam Stadium ... May 11... Time TBA.

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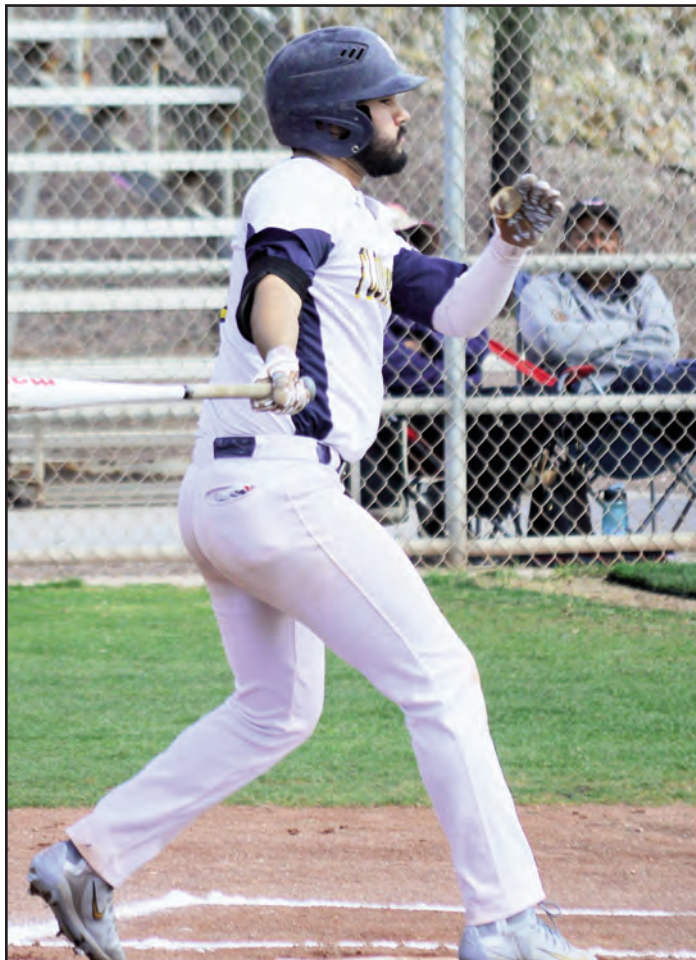
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**Flowing Wells standout Juan Pablo Ruedaflares (photo by Andy Morales of [azpreps365.com](http://azpreps365.com))**

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Unlike the 5A softball playoffs, the 5A baseball conference run to the semifinals has gone off almost as expected according to seeding. Top-seeded Mesquite is still alive in the elimination bracket, No. 2 Verrado is still undefeated, No. 3 Flowing Wells is still in action, No. 4 Liberty is winning and No. 6 Notre Dame Prep is still fighting. No. 8 Queen Creek is the only team to break into the third round after No. 5 Lake Havasu failed to advance past the first round. So here we are, with five of the top six teams holding firm.

Mesquite (27-5) came up one game short of the semifinal round last year and the Wildcats are right back in the same position with an elimination game scheduled against Queen Creek (21-8) in a winner-take-all shot at the semifinals against Liberty (21-8). The Wildcats run-ruled No. 16 Apollo 17-2 in the first round but Queen Creek returned the favor in the second round, sending Mesquite down to the elimination bracket with an 11-1 victory. The Wildcats will need to focus on revenge during the rematch.

Jeffrey Holland has been the only coach Mesquite has known since he took charge of the program in 1998. He led the

Wildcats to a state championship in 2015 and finished runner-up in 2008 and 2014 and he is knocking at the door of his eighth semifinal appearance.

"A huge reason why I think this year has been successful is being able to build off the success that the current juniors and seniors accomplished last year," Holland said. "Having last year under their belt and understanding how the game is played at the varsity level has been pivotal this year. Last year we lost many games by just one run, so I think that has helped prepared this year's team to play with a little pressure. It definitely has helped to understand what it takes to win a close ball game."

He lists Hunter Holland and Willie Cano as his team leaders. Senior David Watson is 7-1 from the circle as is Chase Webster. Cano has 34 RBI, 14 doubles, three triples and four home runs and Davis Heller has five home runs.

Verrado (26-4) lost in the first round last year as a No. 4 seed but the Vipers have made the best of their high seeding this year, knocking off No. 15 Ironwood Ridge 4-0, No. 7 Buena 7-3 and Notre Dame Prep 5-4 to advance to the semifinal round from Pool B.

Mike Ward is in his first year with the Vipers and he gives his senior class most of the credit for getting this far.

"We can attribute a big chunk of our success to the senior class we have," Ward explained. "We have a 10-player senior class this year. They have really led by example and bought into the changes made this year with the program and are playing well as a team, taking the season one game at a time."

Flowing Wells (19-9-1) is having one of the best seasons in school history and the Caballeros have had success mostly under the radar. Erick Estrella is one game away from the semifinals but he will have to get past Notre Dame Prep to get there. The Saints beat Flowing Wells 16-8 in the second round to send the Caballeros down to the elimination bracket.

Senior Juan Pablo Ruedaflares is batting .495 with 13 doubles, three triples and a pair of home runs and Caleb Raney, Noah Estrella and Simon Boggie have all won three games.

"We have had a great season this year due to these guys coming in as freshman, now seniors, wanting to make a difference and to help change the culture," Estrella said. "It was committing to off season workouts and summer/fall programs and plus they have great chemistry."

Liberty finished in the semifinal round last year as the top seed and the Lions are right back, knocking at the door again under second-year coach Christopher Raymond.

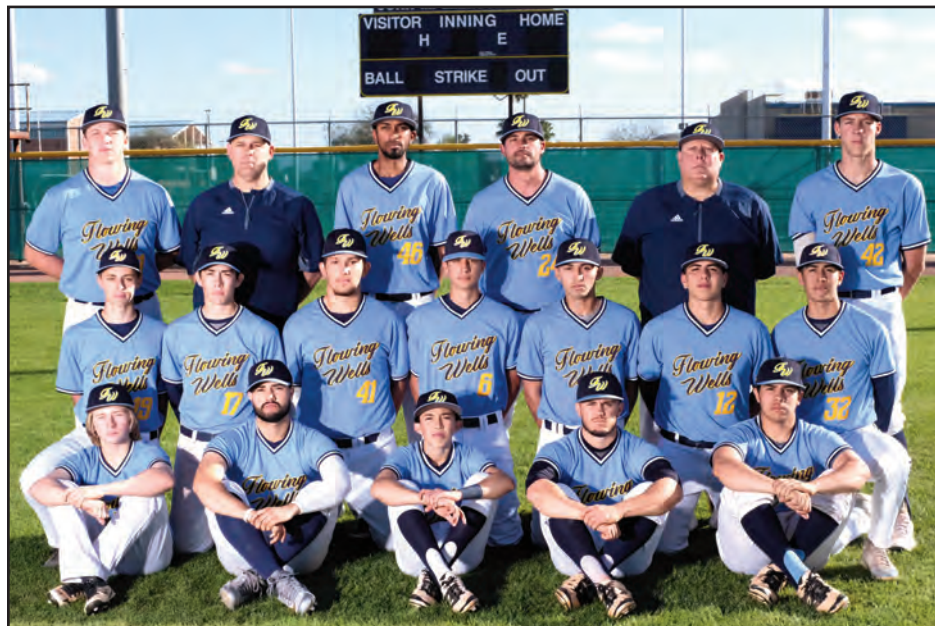
"Our players have worked hard on a daily basis to earn opportunities and are constantly competing within practice," Raymond said. "The players have matured significantly throughout the season. The players trust each other and respect the process that has been created."

Chandler Murphy (Arizona) and Isaiah Montoya (UNLV) are two of his standouts.

Queen Creek came up with the upset of the tournament by knocking off Mesquite and the Bulldogs will have to do it once more to advance under second-year coach Mikel Moreno. Moreno lists the lack of consistency and leadership as two of his obstacles this year but his coaching staff is leading his team by example.



## Flowing Wells Caballeros



2...	Derek Villegas	Jr.
3...	Chad Deitering	Sr.
4...	Ruben Gamez	So.
5...	Juan Pablo Ruedaflores	Sr.
6...	Noah Estrella	Sr.
7...	Elias Avenente	Sr.
12...	Andres Holguin	Sr.
17...	Jacob Armenta	Sr.
19...	Cory Vanderkolk	Sr.
20...	Zack Fitzgerald	So.
21...	Caleb Raney	Jr.
25...	Elian Quintana	Sr.
27...	Shelby Sanders	So.
28...	Ernie Armenta	Jr.
30...	Louie Padilla	So.
41...	Simon Boggie	Sr.
42...	Brock Barkhurst	Sr.

## Liberty Lions

No.	Player/Pos.	Ht.	Yr.
1...	Mitchell Schooler, P	6-1	So.
2...	Jake Kelley, 3B/OF	6-0	Sr.
3...	Dallin Montez, SS	5-9	Sr.
4...	Davidson Tyler, P	5-9	So.
5...	Isaiah Montoya, 1B/P	6-0	Sr.
6...	Jeremy Davidson, SS/C	5-9	Jr.
7...	Kyle Roop, P	6-2	Jr.
8...	J.D. Wadleigh, OF/P	6-0	Sr.
9...	Paul Kelley, IF	5-7	So.
10...	Kai Tuita, OF	5-11	Sr.
11...	Kyle Owens, 2B	5-11	Sr.
12...	Cameron Bracke, 3B/P	6-1	Sr.
13...	Hunter Cobasky, 2B	5-9	Sr.
14...	Trevor Felan, OF/P	5-11	Sr.
15...	Aaron Limon, SS/P	5-10	Fr.
16...	Tyler Durelle, 1B/OF	6-2	Sr.
17...	Brady Welch, C	6-3	Sr.
18...	Luke Puga, IF	6-1	Jr.
19...	Kyle Lewis, C/1B	6-0	So.
21...	Jace Johnson, 2B/OF	5-10	Sr.
22...	Chandler Murphy, P/1B	6-1	Jr.
23...	Christian Contreras, OF	5-11	Jr.
24...	Noah Ackman, IF	5-9	Sr.
25...	Alex Yamauchi, IF	5-11	Jr.





## Mesquite Wildcats



No. Player/Pos.	Ht.	Yr.
1...Hunter Holland, P/DH	6-2	Sr.
2...Grant Gorrell, IF	5-9	Jr.
3...Clay Thompson, P/OF	6-1	Sr.
4...Holden Breeze, 3B/P	5-10	Jr.
5...Willie Cano, SS/OF	6-2	Sr.
6...Travis Warren, UT	5-9	Sr.
7...Jacob Henderson, OF/P	6-1	Jr.
11...Cayden Rana, P/OF	6-1	Jr.
12...Chase Webster, P/DH	6-4	Sr.
13...TJ Clarkson, 1B/P	6-4	Jr.
14...David Exline, OF	6-3	Sr.
17...Daniel Johnson, C	6-0	Jr.
20...Kai Taylor		So.
21...Jayden Orozco, OF/3B	5-10	Jr.
22...David Watson, OF/P	6-	Sr.
23...Holden Owen		Jr.
26...Davis Heller, P/1B	6-7	Jr.
33...Cole Westerlund, DH/C	5-10	Sr.

## Notre Dame Prep Saints

No. Player/Pos.	Ht.	Yr.
1...Ben Nemivant, OF/1B	5-11	Sr.
2...Joseph Terlizzi, C	6-1	Sr.
3...Tyler Cranston, CF	5-9	Sr.
4...Tag Bross, OF	5-11	So.
5...Alex Nyberg, OF	6-1	Sr.
6...Jared Farquhar, 2B/P	5-11	Sr.
7...Cole Schipansky, OF	6-0	Sr.
8...Mason Stuart, 2B/OF	5-11	Jr.
9...Andrew Pierce, P	5-10	Sr.
10...Griffen Chewing, IF	5-10	So.
11...Blaze Borowski, 3B	6-1	Jr.
12...Paul Marsillo, IF	6-0	Jr.
13...John Byrne, LF	5-8	Sr.
15...Zach Zdimal, P/3B	6-0	Sr.
16...Jacob Emerson, P	6-0	Sr.
17...Tommy Roskos, 1B	6-0	Sr.
18...Connor Markl, P	6-1	So.
19...Taylor Cipriano, P	5-8	So.
20...Spencer Taylor, P/3B	6-1	Sr.
21...Clayton Osmussen, C/3B	5-8	Jr.
22...Jarrett Pille, OF/P	6-3	Jr.
23...Elmer Dessens, P	6-0	So.
24...James Rosenhagen, 1B	6-0	Sr.
25...Michael Piazza, P	6-0	So.
28...Jackson Stuart, OF	5-11	So.





## Queen Creek Bulldogs



No.	Player/Pos.	Yr.
1...	Kevon Jackson, OF	Sr.
2...	Stetson Denning, IF	Sr.
3...	Brendon Rogers, UT	Fr.
4...	Nomar Bustamonte	So.
5...	Brendon Blakeman, IF	Jr.
6...	Spencer Lynn, IF / P	So.
8...	Bryce Sisk, P	Sr.
9...	Ryan Dobbs, OF	Jr.
11...	Jacob Alexander, IF	Jr.
12...	Colton Cassinelli, C / UT	Sr.
13...	Carson Bemridge, OF	Fr.
15...	Trey Reynolds, 2B / UT	Fr.
20...	Mikel Rameriz, P	So.
21...	Danny Marshall, LF / 1B	Jr.
22...	Jacob Berry, IF	So.
23...	Donovan Lopez, 1B / P	So.
25...	Gabe Heitz, C / OF	So.
32...	Kyle Alexander, OF / IF	Fr.
33...	Carter Schmitt, P	Sr.
.....	Jake Tyler, OF / IF	Fr.

## Verrado Vipers

No.	Player/Pos.	Yr.
1...	Easton Babe, LF / IF	Sr.
2...	Brady Bulger, IF	Sr.
3...	Chad Berger, IF	Sr.
4...	Breckyn Montano, RF / P	Sr.
5...	Tyler Shelton, C / 1B	Sr.
6...	Bryan McKinsey, P	Jr.
7...	Jake Occhipinti, P	Jr.
8...	Rocky King, RF / 1B	Jr.
10...	Cole Bornfleth, P / 3B	Sr.
11...	Tanner Spallina, C	So.
12...	Andrew Coleman, IF	Sr.
13...	Marcus Rivera, OF	Sr.
14...	Dominick Cassell	So.
15...	Colten Keith, 3B / P	So.
16...	Kyle Wellman, P	Sr.
17...	Cameron Hodd	So.
17...	Calvin Solie	So.
18...	Hayden Brown, CF / P	Sr.
19...	Dominic Demarbiex, 1B / DH	Sr.
20...	Jake King	Fr.
21...	Gillis Champagne	So.
21...	Noah Olson, P / OF	So.





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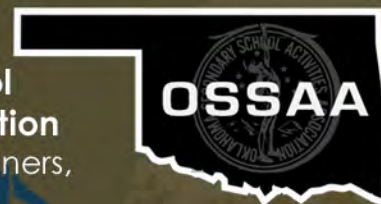


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The 6A Desert Valley Region was a tight race to the finish. So tight in fact that Mountain Ridge and Sandra Day O'Connor finished with identical records in region (8-2) vs. conference opponents (13-5) and overall (13-5) in their 18 power-ranking games. The only thing separating them was their final power ranking -- #5 for Mountain Ridge and #7 for Sandra Day O'Connor.

Well, as the 6A state tournament whittles the competitors down, both are on equal footing heading to the final week of the season. Mountain Ridge is in the semis of the top bracket and unbeaten in the tourney. Ditto Sandra Day O'Connor in the bottom half. Mountain Ridge has defeated Perry, Red Mountain and Hamilton. O'Connor has topped Desert Vista, Westwood and Skyline.

The other four remaining teams are #1 Mountain View, Hamilton, #11 Skyline and #14 Brophy Prep. On Tuesday May 8 Hamilton and Mountain View meet for the second time in the tourney for the right to play and beat twice, Mountain Ridge to reach the final. Also on Tuesday May 8 Skyline and Brophy meet a second time to get a shot or two at Sandra Day O'Connor.

Here's a brief look at the six teams remaining in the title chase:

**#1 Mountain View:** The Toros and head coach Mike Thiel (21st year as head coach) garnered the top seed for the second time in 10 years. The last time that happened Mountain View reached the final six. That's been their best finish since. Mountain View is the last Mesa school to win a state title and that was in Thiel's first year as head coach in 1998. A roster of 10 seniors and 10 juniors have produced a bounce-back campaign from last year's 13-15 record. The Toros did not qualify for postseason in 2017. They are balanced with three capable starters, three relievers and an offense with five players contributing 20 RBI or more. Leaders are senior Joe Georgini, a three-year starter (third base and closer



**Mountain Ridge pitcher Matthew Liberatore (photo by xxx of maxpreps.com)**

this year). Senior John Neeley leads the pitching staff and thrives on getting the ball for big games. Catcher Brandon Todd has embodied the leadership at the position that every coach desires, according to Thiel. Junior Sean Rimmer (outfielder-pitcher), junior McKay Barney (centerfield) and Georgini have been on each of the last three varsity teams. Mountain View, however, lost in the first round of double elimination to Hamilton, but stayed alive by beating and eliminating Brown road-rival Red Mountain on May 4.

**#5 Mountain Ridge:** The Mountain Lions obviously have made waves under first-year head coach Artie Cox after he served four years as



the team's pitching coach. Pitching is a forte and has been all year led by superb left-hander Matthew Liberatore, a projected first-round, major league pick by many in June. Picking up as a quality No. 2 is transfer Jake Martinez, who has been solid especially the second half of the season. He tossed a one-hitter in blanking Red Mountain to open the double-elimination portion of state. Along with pitching, Cox praises the defense and continued improvement offensively. Mountain Ridge was knocked out last year in two games of double elimination after taking runner-up honors in 2016 and taking third in 2015.

**#7 Sandra Day O'Connor:** Coach Jeff Baumgartner has manned the deck for 16 seasons. The Eagles have come around of late so much so they battled Mountain Ridge tooth and nail to the end for the tough aforementioned Desert Valley Region title. "We developed a competitiveness towards the end of the year," Baumgartner said. "We took our lumps at the beginning of the year. Our pitching has come around to give us competitive innings and keep us in ballgames." Team leaders on offense are leadoff hitter Jayce Easley and potential early-round pro draft pick Nolan Gorman and his prestigious power. Catcher Jacob Vesecky has controlled the defense. Developing the pitching staff as players learned and adapted to roles has been huge. O'Connor has made the playoffs in 15 of 16 seasons, been to the final four four times and were runner-up in 5A-2 in 2008.

**#8 Hamilton:** The two-time defending champion Huskies have had better years and healthier ones, but they still managed a top-8 finish in the power rankings to earn a bye and have received stellar pitching in their first three state games this season. The first two were wins (3-2 over Desert Mountain and 8-1 over Mountain View). Hamilton lost three-fifths of its starting infield to injury in preaseson and the first two weeks of play. Depth has played a huge factor in their continued success and ability to return and defend their titles. Top players this season are outfielder JD McLaughlin, catcher Britt Graham, corner infielder Hayden Baker and pitcher Shane Murphy. Murphy tamed Desert Mountain in the play-off opener and Dustin Bermudez stifled Mountain View in the first round of double elimination with an

11-strikeout performance. Unfortunately for Hamilton, Bermudez tore an ACL playing the infield late in the win over Mountain View and is done for the playoffs.

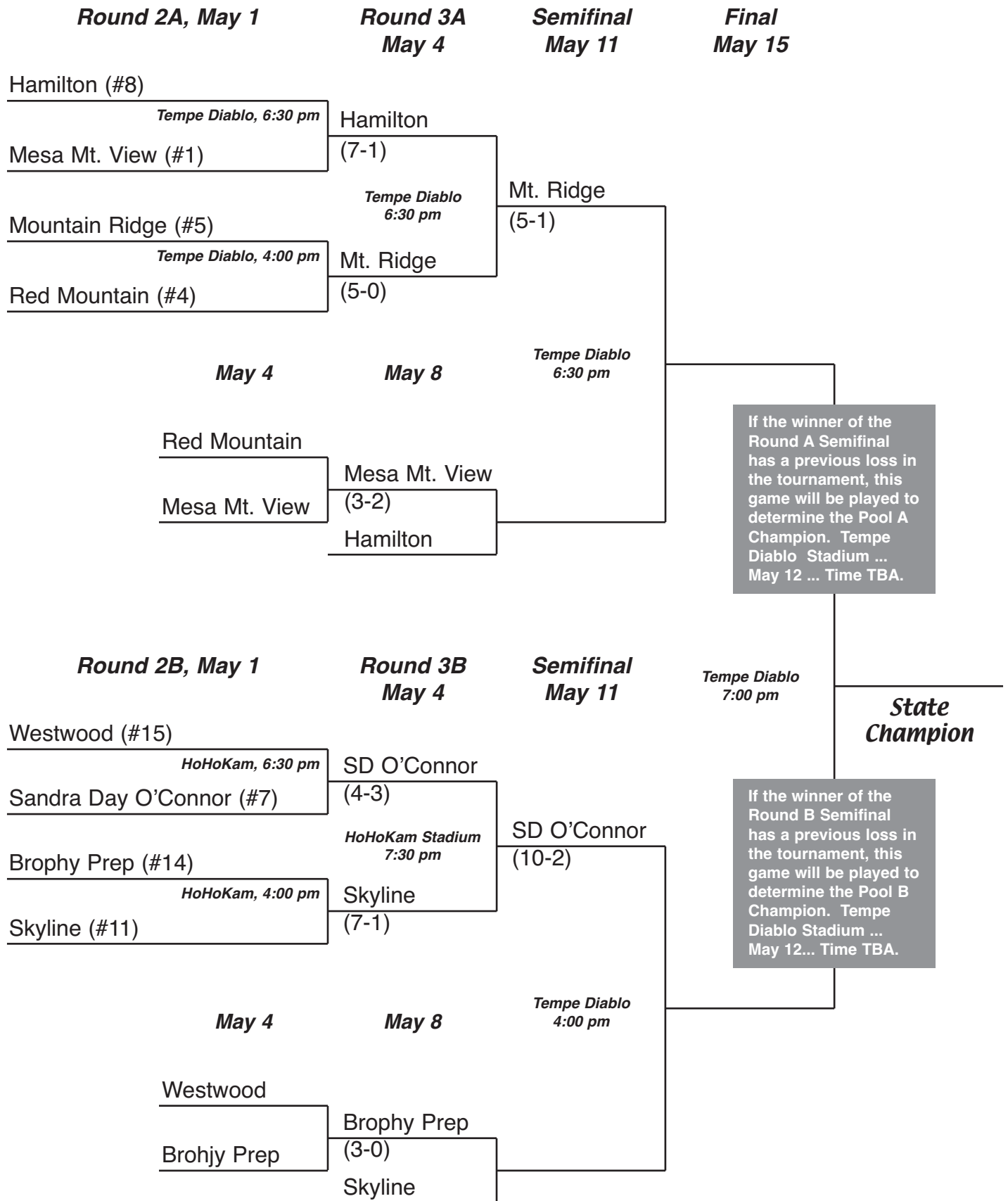
**#11 Skyline:** The Coyotes have found themselves after a 4-0 start in the East Valley Region that was followed by a five-game skid in region play. They won their final regular-season game and have added three postseason wins in impressive fashion. They lost their first tournament game to Sandra Day O'Connor on May 4 sending them to the loser's bracket. Pitcher Cole Yocum has been a key to their surge, winning a couple of postseason games and supplying leadership and hitting from the leadoff spot. AJ Herrera, Jan Rollon and Tyler Jackson have swung hot bats of late in the top half of the order. Coach Pat Herrera is no stranger to going deep in postseason having done it at Desert Ridge, including winning two state titles (5A-II in 2009 and 5A-1 in 2010). This is Skyline's best run in postseason since Herrera took over in 2014. They've qualified for postseason the last four years.

**#14 Brophy:** The Broncos have hovered around .500 all season (currently 14-16) and did just enough to qualify for a play-in game under first-year head coach Josh Garcia, a former Brophy standout. They knocked off Horizon in the play-in game and upset Basha in the first round of state after losing three times to the Bears during the regular season. Brophy is young with an everyday lineup that features two to three seniors at best. Junior Cam Glosser is the top hitter at .400 and junior Johnny Dowse is tops in RBI with 20. Senior Stephen Buckel and junior Mason Kokodynski have done the bulk of the starting pitching. Kokodynski has won two of the three games the Broncos have claimed in postseason, including a one-hit, 3-0 shutout of Westwood in their first elimination game on May 4.





# 6A BB State Championship Bracket







# 6A Baseball State Contenders

## Brophy Prep Broncos



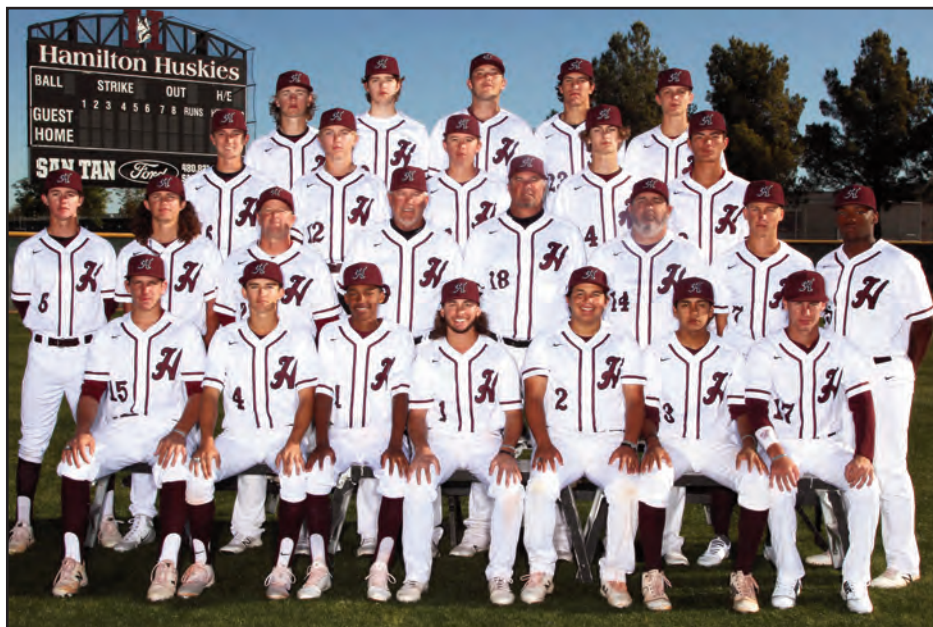
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1...	Che Rubalcava, IF	Jr.
2...	Lucas Grennan, IF	Sr.
3...	Cam Glosser, IF/OF	Jr.
4...	Alex Palacios, UT	Jr.
5...	Merrick Martin	Sr.
7...	Troy Weinstein, OF	Sr.
8...	Jacob Wickey, P/UT	Sr.
9...	Sean Cooper, OF	Jr.
10...	Nick Tiedemann, P/IF	Sr.
11...	Andrew Talamante, OF	Jr.
12...	Johnny Dowse	Jr.
13...	Connor Park	Sr.
14...	Will Worthington, IF/P	Jr.
16...	Nick Stineman, OF	Sr.
18...	Michael Diaz, IF/P	So.
19...	Tommy Trudeau, P/1B	Sr.
21...	Bryce Michael, P/1B	So.
22...	Stephen Buckel	Sr.
23...	Mason Kokodynski, P/1B	Jr.
25...	Max McAndrews, P	Sr.
26...	Noah Koehler	Sr.
27...	Drew Dyer	Sr.

## Hamilton Huskies

No.	Player	Ht.	Yr.
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1...	Easton Erwin	5-7	Jr.
2...	Jose Valenzuela	5-7	Jr.
3...	Jorge Sobarzo	5-9	Sr.
4...	Dustin Bermudez	5-10	Jr.
5...	Brock Selvidge	6-2	Fr.
6...	Tyler Dubuque	6-1	Sr.
7...	Jacob Thiele	5-11	Sr.
8...	Tyler Wilson	6-1	So.
9...	Hayden Baker	6-2	Sr.
10...	Trey Goodrich	6-0	Sr.
11...	Isaiah Adams	5-10	So.
12...	Dylan Bleskin	6-1	Sr.
13...	Kyle Ponzo	6-5	So.
15...	Kyle Hasler	6-0	Jr.
16...	Britt Graham	6-1	Sr.
17...	Cody Hedalen	5-10	Jr.
20...	Will Maxey	6-2	So.
22...	Michael Brueser	6-1	So.
23...	JD McLaughlin	6-2	Jr.
24...	Shane Murphy	6-4	Jr.
25...	Tally Wright	5-11	Jr.





## Mountain Ridge Mt. Lions



No.	Player/Pos.	Ht.	Yr.
1...	Joseph Escontrias, IF	5-10	Jr.
2...	Jared Kampf, IF	5-8	Sr.
3...	Zach Roth, OF	6-3	Sr.
4...	Travis Warinner, IF	5-7	So.
5...	Jace Young, IF		Fr.
6...	Cayden Collins, P		Fr.
7...	Jason Harayda, IF	5-11	Sr.
8...	Brock Peery, IF	5-11	So.
9...	Luke Blachut, 3B/UT	5-11	Sr.
10...	Jacob Robson, OF/P	6-3	Sr.
11...	Ryan Ellis, C/2B	5-6	So.
12...	Mason Piert, P	6-3	Jr.
13...	Brock Arnold, OF/P	6-1	So.
14...	Bryce Carpenter, P	6-2	Sr.
15...	Mitchael Dyer, OF/P	6-2	Sr.
16...	Zach Martinez, P/DH	5-8	Jr.
17...	Justin Espinoza, P	6-2	Jr.
18...	Ryan Rezac, 1B/UT	6-0	Jr.
19...	Jack Dieckman, C/1B	6-0	Sr.
22...	Tate Childers, OF	6-2	Jr.
23...	Zach Rogers, P	6-0	So.
24...	Gray Bailey, P/1B	5-8	Fr.
25...	Preston Godfrey, OF/3B	5-10	Sr.
27...	Oscar Mattox, P/UT	5-11	Jr.
28...	Jacob Sumner, 1B	5-7	Sr.
32...	Matthew Liberatore, P	6-5	Sr.
33...	Garrett Olson, C	5-10	So.

## Mesa Mountain View Toros

No.	Player/Pos.	Ht.	Yr.
1...	Erick Bahn, SS	5-9	Sr.
2...	Thome Nickelson, IF	6-1	Jr.
3...	Dallas Wise, 2B/P	6-2	Jr.
4...	Clark Barney, 2B/P	6-0	Sr.
5...	Isaac McNaughton, OF	5-10	Sr.
6...	David Oldroyd, C	5-10	Sr.
7...	Harrison Smith, P	6-1	Sr.
8...	Brandon Todd, C	5-10	Sr.
9...	Travis Densmore, P	5-9	Jr.
10...	Jared Thomas, 1B	6-1	Sr.
11...	John Neeley, P	6-3	Sr.
12...	Tyler Barnes, OF/P	6-1	Jr.
13...	Joe Georgini, 3B/P	6-1	Sr.
14...	Gio Morfin, 3B	5-10	Jr.
15...	Kohl Schaucherbauer, C	5-10	Jr.
17...	McKay Barney, OF	5-11	Jr.
18...	Bennett Wagner, OF	5-10	Jr.
19...	Cam Jowaiszas, IF	6-1	Jr.
23...	Mason Krause, P	6-4	Sr.
24...	Sean Rimmer, OF/P	6-4	Jr.





## *Sandra Day O'Connor Eagles*



No.	Player/Pos.	Ht.	Yr.
2...	Noah Burgarelo, IF	5-10	Jr.
3...	Jayce Easley, IF/P	5-11	Sr.
4...	Zak Elms, C/OF	5-8	Sr.
5...	Barrett Skaugrud, P/IF	6-0	Fr.
6...	Colton Kucera, IF/OF	5-10	So.
7...	Noah Nithman, OF	5-10	So.
8...	Tyler DeJesus, 1B	6-0	Sr.
9...	Nolan Gorman, IF	6-1	Sr.
11...	Tucker Bates, P	6-2	Sr.
12...	Nicholas Schouten, P/DH	6-3	Sr.
13...	Brayden Nichols, IF	6-0	Jr.
14...	Adam Koski, P	6-2	So.
15...	Tristen DeJesus, OF/C	6-0	Sr.
16...	Mason Skaugrud, 1B/C	6-4	Jr.
17...	Cal Lambert, P/1B	6-2	Jr.
18...	Mitchell DeCovich, P	6-3	Sr.
19...	Aiden Sullivan, P	5-10	Fr.
20...	Chase Valentine, IF	5-10	Fr.
21...	Chance Van Dyke, OF	5-9	Jr.
22...	Amari Bartee, OF	6-2	Jr.
23...	Greg Bozinovich, 3B/P	5-10	So.
24...	Jake Vesecky, C	6-0	Sr.
28...	Connor Jones, OF/1B	6-6	Sr.

## *Skyline Coyotes*

No.	Player	Yr.
1...	Bannon Delmar	So.
3...	Cole Lopez	Sr.
6...	Hunter Martin	Sr.
7...	Adam Davidson	So.
8...	Kade York	So.
10...	Josh Gonzales	Sr.
12...	Brandon Melendez	Jr.
13...	Tyler Jackson	Sr.
14...	Patrick Herrera	Fr.
16...	Cole Yocum	Sr.
17...	Zach Wells	So.
22...	Bryce Claxton	So.
23...	AJ Herrera	Jr.
24...	JJ Rollon	Sr.
29...	Ryan Freudenthal	Jr.
44...	Eric Olson	Jr.





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Year	Winning Team	Head Coach	Runnerup Team	Head Coach	Score
2017	Superior (25-3)	Manuel Ortega	Elfrida Valley Union (17-7)	Brian Heath	12-8

## 2A CONFERENCE

2017	Phoenix Christian (25-5)	Mark Band	Willcox (18-5)	Clint Sanborn	9-2
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## 3A CONFERENCE

2017	Phoenix Northwest Christian (22-9)	JC McKee	Safford (22-8)	Robert Abalos	6-2
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## 4A CONFERENCE

2017	Nogales (28-4)	OJ Favela	Tucson Salpointe Catholic (25-8)	Danny Preble	13-4
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## 5A CONFERENCE

2017	Peoria Raymond Kellis (22-11)	Michael Deardoff	Gilbert Campo Verde (20-15)	Shawn Dukes	10-5
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## 6A CONFERENCE

2017	Chandler Hamilton (23-10)	Mike Woods	Phoenix Pinnacle (26-9)	Roy Muller	6-4
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## DIVISION V

2016	Pima (24-4)	Greg Cooper	Bagdad (23-5)	Dalton Mills	2-0
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## DIVISION IV

2016	Apache Junction (28-6)	Ruben Figueroa	Glendale Joy Christian (33-5)	Klent Corley	9-6
2015	Tucson Desert Christian (31-1)	M. Grant Hopkins	Kearny Ray (22-9-1)	Rene Pacheco	13-6
2014	Tucson Desert Christian (29-2)	M. Grant Hopkins	Tucson Pusch Ridge (26-5)	Mark Frithsen	4-2
2013	Tucson Desert Christian (26-4)	M. Grant Hopkins	Phoenix Christian (24-5)	Mark Band	11-9
2012	St. David (19-3)	Ron Goodman	Yuma Catholic (18-3)	Curt Foppe	(6 inn.) 14-4

## DIVISION III

2016	Phoenix Alhambra (27-4-1)	Christopher Hoth	Yuma San Luis (25-6)	Cesar Castillo	3-2
2015	Phoenix Northwest Christian (29-5)	Rod Bair	Sahuarita Walden Grove (23-7)	Rene Valdez	(8 inn.) 3-2
2014	Tucson Palo Verde	Jim Mentz	Phoenix Northwest Christian	Rod Bair	5-4
2013	Fountain Hills (18-5)	Mike Briguglio	Vail Empire (18-5)	Tom Belter	5-4
2012	River Valley (28-3)	Aaron LaCasse	Goodyear Estrella Foothills (18-4)	Patrick McCubbins	8-7

## DIVISION II

2016	Phoenix Greenway (23-9)	Matt Denny	Tucson (23-10)	Oscar Romero	7-4
2015	Oro Valley Canyon Del Oro (33-2)	Keith Francis	Tucson (28-6)	Oscar Romero	3-1
2014	Phoenix Greenway (29-4)	Matt Denny	Nogales (30-7)	Oscar Favela	8-0
2013	Scottsdale Notre Dame Prep (30-7)	Brian Fischer	Phoenix Sunnyslope (28-5)	Jeff Shillington	2-1
2012	Phoenix Sunnyslope (21-2)	Jeff Shillington	Peoria Liberty (22-3)	Mark Ernster	6-5

## DIVISION I

2016	Chandler Hamilton (27-7)	Mike Woods	Glendale Mountain Ridge (26-6)	Lance Billingsley	12-3
2015	Gilbert Mesquite (24-9)	Jeff Holland	Peoria Liberty (29-6)	John Freitas	5-2
2014	Chandler Hamilton (30-3)	Mike Woods	Gilbert Mesquite (23-12)	Jeff Holland	8-4
2013	Scottsdale Desert Mountain (31-4)	Brian Stephenson	Scottsdale Chaparral (23-14)	Sam Messina	(8 inn.) 4-3
2012	Scottsdale Chaparral (24-7)	Sam Messina	Phoenix Brophy Prep (23-10)	Tom Succow	5-3

## 1A CONFERENCE

2011	Tucson Tanque Verde	James Lawwill	St. David	Ron Goodman	18-6
2010	Gila Bend (28-2)	Donny Young	Tucson Tanque Verde (27-4)	Jim Lawwill	6-5
2009	Tucson Tanque Verde	Jim Lawwill	Bagdad	Dalton Mills	6-3
2008	Elfrida Valley Union (23-6)	Tony Luzania	Gila Bend (23-5-1)	Donny Young	9-1
2007	Superior	William Duarte	Bagdad	Bill Godsil	6-3
2006	Heber Mogollon (20-8)	Rick Honsinger	Duncan (18-6)	Chano Talavera	12-5
2005	Duncan	Chano Talavera	Seligman	Ted Alexander	12-2
2004	Duncan (18-3)	Andrew Larson	Tucson Green Fields (19-4)	Victor Acuna	4-2
2003	Joseph City (18-8-2)	Richard Felton	Clifton (18-3)	Gilbert Mesa	6-4
2002	St. David (18-3)	Jim Crawford	Joseph City (16-8-1)	Richard Felton	4-3
2001	St. David (16-7)	Jim Crawford	Joseph City (20-7)	Eldon Larsen	3-2
2000	St. David (17-4)	Jim Crawford	Patagonia (15-6)	John Urias	8-2
1999	Tucson St. Gregory (26-4)	Shane Sherwood	Mayer (17-5)	Dave Capka	12-2
1998	Green Fields (22-7)	Frank Trujillo	St. David (22-3)	John Sands	1-0

## 2A CONFERENCE

2011	Chandler Valley Christian	Rick Surls	Scottsdale Christian	Bill Swift	8-7
2010	Phoenix Bourgade Catholic	Greg Hemke	Camp Verde	Steve Hicks	6-5
2009	Tucson Pusch Ridge Christian	Doug Jones	San Manuel	Don Payne	(6 inn.) 15-5
2008	Bisbee (27-4)	Mike Frosco	Phoenix Bourgade Catholic	Greg Henke	9-8
2007	St. Johns	Ray Davis	Winkelman Hayden	Bob Lorona	8-6





# Baseball Championship Results (1998-2017)

## 2A CONFERENCE (cont)

Year	Winning Team	Head Coach	Runnerup Team	Head Coach	Score
2006	Yuma Catholic (27-4)	Tom Kandler	Scottsdale Christian (25-5)	Bill Swift	(8 inn.) 14-9
2005	Scottsdale Christian (19-7)	Bill Swift	Thatcher	Ramon Morales	8-4
2004	Scottsdale Christian (24-3)	Bill Swift	Phoenix Christian (18-9)	Mark Band	2-0
2003	Phoenix Christian (18-11)	Danny Jacques	Scottsdale Christian (21-7)	Bill Swift	11-9
2002	Bisbee (27-6)	Mike Frosco	Thatcher (24-4)	Don Conrad	13-3
2001	Willcox (25-5)	Russ Bethel	Bisbee (23-4)	Mike Frosco	11-5
2000	Willcox (33-0)	Russ Bethel	Thatcher (18-7)	Don Conrad	5-4
1999	Willcox (26-4)	Russ Bethel	Chandler Seton (23-11)	Phil Baniewicz	10-0
1998	Phoenix Christian (25-7-1)	Danny Jacques	Elfrida Valley Union (18-8)	Calvin King	7-1

## 3A CONFERENCE

2011	Lakeside Blue Ridge (31-2)	Joe Merklin	Goodyear Estrella Foothills (25-6)	Patrick McCubbins	(9 inn.) 8-6
2010	Chino Valley (22-2-1)	Bruce Nesbitt	Tucson Empire	Tom Belter	8-2
2009	Globe	David Lopez	Wickenburg (19-10)	Ron Bergman	4-2
2008	Safford (20-11)	Robert Abalos	Chino Valley	Bruce Nesbitt	(5 inn.) 10-0
2007	Wickenburg (25-3)	Ron Bergman	Holbrook	Shawn Layden	6-3
2006	Chandler Seton Catholic (21-2)	Jon Malgradi	Fountain Hills (30-2)	Mike Briguglio	11-8
2005	Sahuarita (27-6)	Bryan Huie	Fountain Hills (25-8)	Mike Briguglio	5-1
2004	Fountain Hills (28-4)	Mike Briguglio	Higley (23-9)	Joe Bergen	12-10
2003	Chandler Seton (22-11-1)	Dave Ference	Fountain Hills (27-3)	Mike Briguglio	11-5
2002	Fountain Hills (30-3)	Mike Briguglio	Chandler Seton (21-12)	Dave Ference	8-4
2001	Fountain Hills (28-4)	Mike Briguglio	Globe (19-8)	Eldon Dallas	5-1
2000	Safford (24-5)	Rich DeRidder	Globe (23-4)	Eldon Dallas	7-2
1999	Payson (23-9)	Ted Pettet	Cave Creek Cactus Shadows (27-1)	Scott Cook	23-11
1998	Cave Creek Cactus Shadows (26-5)	Scott Cook	Chino Valley (25-4)	Tom Pratt	8-3

## 4A CONFERENCE

2011 4A-1	Scottsdale Saguaro (34-3)	Ryan Dyer	Peoria Sunrise Mountain (26-6)	Eric Gardner	13-6
2011 4A-2	Tucson Catalina (22-11)	Tony Gabusi	Phoenix Thunderbird (27-4)	Seth Melton	(9 inn.) 8-4
2010 4A-1	Scottsdale Saguaro (26-6)	Ryan Dyer	Tucson Catalina Foothills	Lance Robertson	(6 inn.) 15-5
2010 4A-2	Peoria Liberty (25-6)	Mark Ernster	Phoenix Greenway (26-9)	Matt Denny	8-3
2009 4A-1	Tucson Canyon Del Oro (24-7)	Len Anderson	Glendale Cactus (26-6)	Mike Tirella	15-5
2009 4A-2	Cottonwood Mingus (29-5)	Bob Young	Scottsdale Notre Dame (30-2)	Guy Gianni	7-4
2008 4A-1	Scottsdale Chaparral (27-6)	Jerry Dawson	Phoenix SD O'Connor (25-7-1)	Jeff Baumgartner	8-6
2008 4A-2	Cottonwood Mingus (23-11)	Greg Beauchman	Scottsdale Notre Dame (29-5)	Guy Gianni	4-1
2007 4A-1	Tempe McClintock (24-10)	Harold Bull	Tucson Sahuaro (16-13-1)	Mark Chandler	(10 inn.) 9-8
2007 4A-2	Scottsdale Coronado (27-5-1)	Buck Holmes	Scottsdale Notre Dame (28-6)	Guy Gianni	20-8
2006 4A-1	Scottsdale Chaparral (31-3-1)	Jerry Dawson	Tucson Amphitheater (24-11)	Todd Naskedov	4-3
2006 4A-2	Cave Creek Cactus Shadows (20-12)	Tom Scala	Scottsdale Arcadia (22-9)	Ken Rudolph	13-7
2005	Scottsdale Chaparral (31-3)	Jerry Dawson	Tucson Catalina Foothills (33-3)	Jason Hisey	10-0
2004	Scottsdale Chaparral (31-2)	Jerry Dawson	Tucson Catalina Foothills (26-5)	Trent Emeneck	9-3
2003	Scottsdale Chaparral (32-3)	Jerry Dawson	Scottsdale Coronado (24-6)	Buck Holmes	(12 inn.) 4-3
2002	Prescott (26-9)	Kent Winslow	Tucson Catalina Foothills (27-4-1)	Jason Hisey	(9 inn.) 7-5
2001	Douglas (21-7)	Jaime Tadeo	Tucson Sahuaro (18-15)	Mark Tselentis	4-0
2000	Scottsdale Chaparral (28-6)	Jerry Dawson	Tucson Santa Rita (24-11)	Dan Moore	10-4
1999	Scottsdale Chaparral (32-2)	Jerry Dawson	Scottsdale Coronado (24-7)	Buck Holmes	3-2
1998	Phoenix Thunderbird (26-5)	Pat Higgins	Scottsdale Chaparral (25-5-2)	Jerry Dawson	10-2

## 5A CONFERENCE

2011 5A-1	Tempe Mountain Pointe (28-5)	Brandon Buck	Chandler Hamilton	Mike Woods	(8 inn.) 7-6
2011 5A-2	Scottsdale Chaparral (24-9)	Sam Messina	Gilbert Perry (21-13)	Shane Hilstrom	11-9
2010 5A-1	Gilbert Desert Ridge	Patrick Herrera	Tempe Mountain Pointe	Brandon Buck	11-4
2010 5A-2	Scottsdale Horizon (21-10)	Eric Kibler	Scottsdale Desert Mountain (23-13)	Bryan Rice	11-9
2009 5A-1	Tempe Corona del Sol (25-7)	Dave Webb	Chandler Hamilton (23-12)	Mike Woods	(6 inn.) 11-1
2009 5A-2	Mesa Desert Ridge	Pat Herrera	Scottsdale Horizon	Eric Kibler	9-8
2008 5A-1	Chandler Hamilton (25-8)	Mike Woods	Gilbert Mesquite (19-16)	Jeff Holland	6-5
2008 5A-2	Scottsdale Horizon (24-9)	Eric Kibler	Peoria Sunrise Mountain (29-4-1)	Eric Gardner	2-1
2007 5A-1	Scottsdale Horizon (33-3)	Eric Kibler	Phoenix Brophy Prep (30-4)	Tom Succow	9-6
2007 5A-2	Tempe Marcos de Niza (17-17)	Felipe Becerra	Scottsdale Desert Mountain (26-9)	Bryan Rice	(8 inn.) 5-4
2006 5A-1	Phoenix Brophy Prep (29-5)	Tom Succow	Scottsdale Horizon (25-10)	Eric Kibler	(6 inn.) 11-1
2006 5A-2	Glendale Deer Valley (24-7)	Larry Eubanks	Peoria Sunrise Mountain	Eric Gardner	(9 inn.) 2-1
2005	Scottsdale Horizon (28-9)	Eric Kibler	Chandler Hamilton (26-7)	Mike Woods	10-0
2004	Chandler Hamilton (30-8)	Mike Woods	Gilbert (28-10)	Matt Gutierrez	5-2
2003	Chandler Hamilton (27-10)	Mike Woods	Scottsdale Horizon (32-4)	Eric Kibler	5-1
2002	Tucson Canyon del Oro (27-6)	Keith Francis	Tucson (25-10)	Oscar Romero	8-6
2001	Tempe Desert Vista (32-3)	Stan Luketich	Yuma Cibola (27-4)	Duane Evans	6-5
2000	Tucson Canyon del Oro (31-5)	Kent Winslow	Tempe Desert Vista (26-8)	Stan Luketich	6-5
1999	Tempe Desert Vista (34-5)	Stan Luketich	Glendale Ironwood (28-7)	Mike Holder	18-8
1998	Mesa Mountain View (25-11)	Mike Thiel	Tempe Marcos de Niza (23-13-1)	Tom Huber	(9 inn.) 8-7





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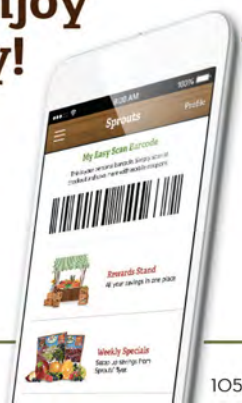
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