2012 Moeller Freshmen Baseball – Game Summaries

MOELLER 14 CENTERVILLE 4

The Moeller Freshman Baseball Team opened the 2012 season with a 14-4 win in a scrimmage game at Centerville. The Moeller bats stroked 13 hits in their first game on a baseball field this season. Led by Bailey Montoya's 3 for 3 including a double and 3 rbi's. The Crusaders scored 4 runs in the top of the second inning. Mitchell Meece led off the inning with a walk. With one out, Doug Bates singled to right sending Meece to third. Grant Macciocchi drove the ball deep to center allowing Meece to tag up at third for a sac fly and Moeller's first run of the year. More was to come. Kyle Dockus singled to bring up the top of the order for the second time. Jordan Ramey delivered with a two run double to put the Frosh up 3-0. After a Josh Hollander walk, Bailey Montoya singled to send our fourth run of the inning home. The Moeller bats were not done. After the Elks answered with 3 runs of their own in the bottom of the second, Big Moe scored what proved to be all they needed in the top of the third inning,….. 6 more runs to send the score to 10-4. Mitchell Bault was the starting pitcher going an impressive 3 innings in his first start. Mitch allowed 3 runs, 2 of which were earned, on 4 hits, no walks and 4 strikeouts. Richie Wallace and Grant Macciocchi each pitched an inning scattering 5 hits between them. Matt Rusche faced one batter before the game was called due to lightning in the bottom of the sixth. The highlight of the day was the two run home run drilled by Adam Wilson over the left field fence in the 5th inning. Others collecting hits were: Josh Hollander, Cole Dubell, Mitchell Meece, Joey Madsen, Grant Macciocchi, and 2 hits by Doug Bates.

The Moeller Freshman will scrimmage Springboro next week.

MOELLER 9 SPRINGBORO 1

The Springboro Panthers traveled to Schuler Park to take on the Moeller Freshman in their second scrimmage of the year today. Moeller scored early. Jordan Ramey led the game off with a walk and went to third on starting pitcher, Josh Hollander's base hit. Bailey Montoya walked to load the bases and Mitch Bault followed with a long sac fly to center to score Ramey. The Crusaders posted three more runs in the home half of the third inning. Kyle Dockus singled to start the inning. Jordan Ramey continued his torrid hitting by collecting his first of two hits on the day, a double to right. Josh Hollander had a sac fly to left to score Dockus followed by a base hit up the middle by Montoya to score Ramey. Moeller's third run of the inning came off a ground ball hit by Marshall Eippert to score Bailey from second. The last five runs of the game came in the next inning. Hank McKay singled and Grant Macciocchi walked. Kyle Dockus dropped a sac bunt to move the runners up. Ramey collected his second hit on the day to score two, which was followed by Montoya's second hit of the day and fifth of the short year. Doug Bates knocked in Moeller's ninth run on a sac fly to center. Sam Wallbillig also added a line drive base hit in the bottom of the sixth inning.

Moeller used six pitchers on the day each tossing an inning. The combination of Josh Hollander, Jared Diesslin, Matt Rusche, Mitch Bault, Hank McKay, and Tanner Marklay held the Panthers to one run on two hits, walking two and striking out seven Springboro batters. The Moeller Freshman pre-season record goes to 2-0.

Moeller 12 ROSS 2

The Moeller Freshman Baseball Team opened the 2012 season on a solid note by downing the Ross Rams by a score of 12-2 in 6 innings. After the game the Frosh presented Coach McLaughlin with the game ball commemorating his 1st career win as the Head Freshman Baseball Coach. The Rams held the Crusaders at bay in the first inning before allowing a run in the bottom of the second inning. With one out, Mitchell Meece slugged his first of four hits on the day, a double over the left fielders head. With 2 outs, Kyle Dockus singled to drive in Meece. Moeller tacked on 3 more runs in the third inning when JJ Johnson led off with a single. Ronnie Murphy reached on an error and Mitch Meece smacked his second double of the day sending Johnson and Murphy rolling home. Grant Macciocchi singled to score Meece. The Frosh were not done. The fourth inning was the icing on the cake. Bailey Montoya singled, after walks to Johnson, Mitch Bault, and Murphy, Meece singled, Macciocchi walked, Kyle Dockus roped his second single of the day. The Frosh scored their last two runs of the inning on a double drilled to right center by Jordan Ramey, his second of the day, and a sac fly from Josh Hollander. This sent Moeller to a 11-0 lead which proved all we needed for starting pitcher Hank McKay. Hank shut out the Rams in 4 innings on only 1 hit with 1 walk and 6 strikeouts. Richie Wallace pitched the 5th inning and Cole Dubell came in to slam the door in the top of the 6 inning. Moeller scored their 12th run in the bottom of the 6th inning on a lead off double by Josh Hollander and a single from Marshall Eippert. The Moeller season record stands at 1-0.

MOELLER 10 GLEN ESTE 0

The Moeller Freshman logged their second run rule game in as many days. This time behind the shutout pitching of Matt Rusche and Tanner Marklay. Rusche started the game going four innings allowing only 2 scattered hits with 2 walks and 5 strikeouts. Marklay tossed the last scoreless inning. The Crusaders scored two runs in the first inning due to 3 Glen Este errors and a Bailey Montoya triple. Big Moe added 5 more runs in the second inning to run the score to 7-0. Mitchell Meece started the rally with a single. Grant Macciocchi dropped a bunt for a base hit moving Meece to second. Kyle Dockus singled to load the bases. Jordan Ramey reached on an error to score Meece. Josh Hollander doubled to pick up two rbis and Montoya and JJ Johnson each hit sac flies to score the last two runs. In the home half of the fifth inning, pinch hitter Eric Conner hit a shot over the left fielder's head to lead off the inning with a double. Nick Meece collected his second hit in as many at bats. Adam Wilson walked with bases loaded to drive in Moeller's ninth run to set the stage for JJ Johnson's walk off single. The Moeller Freshman record stands at 2-0 with the Elder Panthers up tomorrow.

MOELLER 6 ELDER 4

Moeller's Freshman Baseball team opened the GCL league play by caging the Elder Panthers, with another GCL classic. The game started out as a pitching duel between Moeller's Mitch Bault and Elder's Cappel. Each pitcher retired nine or the first ten batters they faced over the first three innings of the game. It was the Crusaders who broke the ice. Josh Hollander led off the fourth inning with a base hit and stole second base. Catcher Bailey Montoya hit a shot to right center for a double scoring Hollander. Montoya stole third and came home on a wild pitch for Moeller's second run. Elder came roaring back by posting two runs of their own on three hits in the bottom of the inning. After a scoreless fifth inning, the Frosh came out swinging. Once again, it was Josh Hollander who led off the inning with a single. Montoya walked and Adam Wilson came in to pinch run. JJ Johnson unloaded a rocket to left center field scoring Hollander. Ronnie Murphy then administered the knockout punch by hitting a laser to right for a triple sending home Wilson and Johnson for what proved to be the winning runs. Mitchell Meece added an insurance run with a base hit to score Murphy. Jordan Ramey added a seventh inning base hit. The hitting leader on the day was Josh Hollander who was 3 for 4. Mitchell Bault pitched five innings allowing two runs, both earned on three hits with two strikeouts. Ronnie Murphy pitched the last two innings allowing two runs, one of which was earned on three hits, three walks, and three strikeouts. The Moeller Freshman record goes to 3-0 on the year and 1-0 in GCL play.

MOELLER 15 ST. XAVIER 7

For the first time this year, the Moeller Frosh had to come from behind to ground the St. Xavier Bombers in a titanic offensive struggle. Down 2-0 after two innings and Bomber starting pitcher Jonathan Deifer mowing down Crusader batters, the bottom fell out for him. Moeller sent eleven batters to the plate and scored seven runs. Deifer gave up two hits, walked four and hit two batters in the inning before leaving the game. When the inning ended, Big Moe was up 7-2. The Bombers would not go away. After scoring two more runs in the top of the fourth inning when Josh Hollander reached on an error, Bailey Montoya lined a single to left. Both moved up on a wild pitch. JJ Johnson brought Holly home on a sac fly and Montoya scored on Mitch Bault's single. X put four runs on the board in the bottom for the fourth to bring the score to 9-7.

It was Hank McKay that slammed the door on the Bombers. In relief of Josh Hollander and Cole Dubell, McKay came in, got out of the four run inning and pitched the last three innings allowing only two hits, two walks, and four strikeouts to pick up his second win of the year. The big story, however, was the day Mitch Bault had at the plate. Mitch went 4 for 4 with five RBI's. Other hitters collecting two hits were Josh Hollander, and Bailey Montoya. Those getting base hits were JJ Johnson, Kyle Dockus, and Eric Conner. The Moeller Freshman record is now 4-0 and a league leading 2-0 in the GCL.

MOELLER 11 NOBLESVILLE 1

"The Man on the Bench" is the backbone to Moeller Baseball. There was no greater example of that today in a doubleheader with the Noblesville Millers. From pitching to defense to hitting, all 26 players contributed to wins five and six on the year for the Moeller Freshman. It was "game on" when Jordan Ramey lined the second pitch of the day off the centerfield wall for a triple. Josh Hollander walked and stole second base. JJ Johnson ripped a single to score Ramey and Hollander. After Mitch Bault was hit by the pitch and Hank McKay walked, Mitch Meece singled home two more runs. Richie Wallace reached on a Miller error and Kyle Dockus reached on a fielder's choice. Ramey walked in his second at bat of the inning and Josh Hollander cleared the bases with a double to put the Crusaders up 7-0 in the first inning. The defense set the tone in the bottom of the first. After Noblesville's lead off hitter led the game off with a single, Tait Cunningham, Josh Hollander and Mitch Bault turned a 4-6-3 double play. Moeller went on to score four more runs in the game, highlighted by a monster home run over the left field wall and onto the roof of the press box or the adjoining field by Jordan Ramey and a laser home run just inside the left field foul pole by Josh Hollander. Hank McKay just missed a third home run hitting one off the very top of the fence that kicked back on the field. Other hitting leaders in the game were Mitch Meece with two hits including a double, while Richie Wallace and Mitch Bault (double) each collected hits.

Pitching was also the story line here. JJ Johnson in his first start of the year went four innings to pick up the win. JJ scattered two hits and struck out four batters. Tanner Marklay came in to pitch the last three innings to pick up the save. Tanner allowed one run, it was earned on four hits with one walk and one strikeout. The Moeller Freshman now stands at 5-0 and 2-0 in the GCL.

MOELLER 14 NOBLESVILLE 2

The second game was not much different than the first game-great hitting, pitching and defense. The Crusaders banged out 13 hits including a 3 for 4 performance by Grant Macciocchi that included two doubles, a sac fly and six RBI's. Moeller's blowout inning came in the third inning. Marshall Eippert got thing started by driving a single to center. Doug Bates singled and Adam Wilson walked. Grant Macciocchi notched his second double on the day to send home Wilson and Sam Waldbillig who was pinch running for Bates. Bailey Montoya then sent a shot to left center for a double of his own scoring two more runs. The offense never stopped, in the top of the fifth inning, Jared Diesslin led off with a base hit. After walks to Matt Rusche and Ronnie Murphy, back to back doubles from Doug Bates and Adam Wilson plated four more runs. Other Crusaders collecting hits were Cole Dubell, a double, JJ Johnson, a double, and Eric Conner, a double.

It seemed like whenever Noblesville tried to mount a charge, the Moeller defensive would turn a double play. Diesslin, Macciocchi, to Bates was one, and a Dubell, Macciocchi to Johnson was the other. The other component in this game was the pitching. Doug Bates pitched four innings allowing one earned run on two hits, while walking three and striking out three batters. Matt Rusche pitched the last inning to close the game. The Moeller Freshman is 6-0 and 2-0 to lead the GCL.

MOELLER 10 LASALLE 0 5 innings

The story line for today's GCL game is easy. Mitchell Bault tossed a perfect "no hit" game to lead the freshman to their first round sweep of the GCL south in downing the LaSalle Lancers, 10-0. Bault faced the minimum 15 batters in the five inning game, striking out three batters. The Moeller bats were hot early. Jordan Ramey cracked a leadoff double over the center fielders head. With one out, Bailey Montoya walked. With Ramey and Montoya advancing on a wild pitch, JJ Johnson brought Ramey home on a sac fly/E8. Back-to-back hits from Mitch Bault and Ronnie Murphy put the Crusaders up 3-0. Mitch Meece collected a sac fly followed by a base hit from Grant Macciocchi. When the inning ended the Big Moe was up 6-0. The third inning netted Moeller two more runs. Mitch Meece's base hit and Kyle Dockus set up two RBI's for Josh Hollander's double--Moeller 8-0. The Moeller bats sealed the deal for Bault's perfect game in the bottom of the fifth inning. Mitch Meece led of the inning with his second hit of the day. After walks to Macciocchi and Ramey to load the bases, Josh Hollander singled to collect his third and fourth RBI's on the day for Moeller's ninth and tenth runs. The Moeller Freshman record is now 7-0 and 3-0 in the GCL. The Freshman play Dayton Carroll at Blue Ash on Wednesday.

MOELLER 12 DAYTON CARROLL 2

The Moeller Freshman entered GCL North play today by taking on the Dayton Carroll Patriots at Blue Ash. JJ Johnson struck out two of the five batters he faced in the top of the first inning. The Crusaders continued their torrid hitting by sending 17 batters to the plate in the home half of the first inning. Once again, it was Jordan Ramey who set the table with a leadoff hit. After walks to Josh Hollander and Bailey Montoya, JJ Johnson stepped up and drilled a double to right center to drive in two runs. Mitch Bault and Mitch Meece each singled before Carroll got their first out. Grant Macciocchi followed with a base hit of his own. Two more walks were issued to Ramey and Hollander when the hit parade continued for Bailey Montoya who doubled and JJ Johnson collected his second hit on the day as did Mitch Bault. Other players collecting hits were Cole Dubell, Doug Bates, and Marshall Eippert. Jared Diesslin, Tanner Marklay, and Matt Rusche all pitched in relief to nail down the win. The Moeller Freshman record is not 8-0 and 4-0 in GCL play.

MOELLER 8, MILFORD 2

This game was much the same as the other games the Frosh played this year. The formula has become the same for each game. Score early and often and coast to victory. Today was no different. Moeller sent nine batters to the plate in the first inning while scoring five runs. Josh Hollander reached on a error and scored the first run on a Bailey Montoya double. JJ Johnson walked to set up Mitch Bault's base hit and RBI. After Mitch Meece's ground ball was kicked around by the Milford second baseman, Grant Macciocchi doubled in Johnson and Bault. Then Macciocchi scored Moeller's fifth run on a Kyle Dockus single. Moeller scored its sixth run in the top of the second inning when Jordan Ramey cranked a laser over the left fielders head for a leadoff triple. Ramey then scored on Josh Hollander's ground out. The final two runs were scored in the fourth inning when JJ Johnson singled to drive in Josh Hollander who singled and John Heywood who was running for Montoya who was hit by the pitch. The pitching duties were handled by Mitch Bault who picked up the win by pitching five innings, giving up two unearned runs on three hits and three strikeouts. Cole Dubell, tossed the last two innings facing the minimum six batters. The Moeller Freshman record goes to 9-0 and 4-0 in the GCL.

MOELLER 21 McNICHOLAS 10

The Moeller Freshman scored 21 runs on 20 hits to take the fuel out of the McNicholas Rockets today. Led by the bats of designated hitter, Doug Bates, who went 5 for 6 including two doubles and a home run, and third baseman Mitch Meece's 3 for 3 performance which included a triple, the frosh rolled to their tenth victory of the year. Moeller scored in every inning. The Crusaders also had a great two hit day from John Heywood who collected two doubles in three trips to the plate. Other players logging hits were: Jordan Ramey, Josh Hollander, Richie Wallace, Marshall Eippert, Eric Conner, Tait Cunningham, Kyle Dockus, Joey Madsen. JJ Johnson and Matt Rusche each smacked doubles. Hank McKay was the starting pitcher who picked up the win. He had relief help from Tanner Marklay and Grant Macciocchi. Moeller stands at 10-0 and 4-0 in the GCL.

MOELLER 9 CHCA JV 4

There was no wind under the CHCA Eagles wings today when as the Frosh picked up their 11th win in as many games. CHCA scored first in the top of the first inning. It was not until the bottom of the second inning that Moeller scored. With two outs, Hank McKay and Marshall Eippert walked. Grant Macciocchi tripled to score McKay and Eippert. After a Jordan Ramey walk, Josh Hollander singled to send Macciocchi to the plate. Moeller 3 CHCA 1. CHCA answered with two runs in the top of the third inning off starter JJ Johnson to tie the game at three. In true Moeller fashion, the Crusaders charged back. Mitch Bault walked and Mitch Meece was hit by the pitch to start the bottom of the third inning. Doug Bates dropped a bunt to move the runners up to set the stage for base hits from Marshall Eippert and Grant Macciocchi to put Moeller up 6-3 which proved all we needed. JJ Johnson picked up the win with relief help from Cole Dubell on the mound. Moeller's record is now 11-0 overall and 4-0 to lead the GCL.

MOELLER 14 BEAVERCREEK 4

The Moeller Freshman traveled to Dayton to take on Beavercreek today. It was another come from behind win. The undefeated Frosh scored in every inning. Down 3-1 in the first inning, Grant Macciocchi and Jordan Ramey walked to set up Josh Hollander's second home run of the year, to put us up 4-3 and we never looked back. The Beavercreek pitching was less than stellar as the Frosh received 17 walks and 2 hit batters in addition to the 7 hits. Eric Conner smacked out two hits including a double and Jordan Ramey, Mitch Meece, and Grant Macciocchi each logged doubles. Matt Rusche picked up the win on the mound in a stellar relief job of starting pitcher Mitch Bault. The Moeller Freshman record is 12-0 and 4-0 in the GCL.

MOELLER 17 ROSS 5 Scrimmage

The Moeller Freshman played their third scrimmage of the year today, this time against the Ross Rams. Moeller once again sent 13 batters to the plate in the first inning and scored eight runs and never looked back. Kyle Dockus started off the rally by getting hit by the pitch. Then Grant Macciocchi, JJ Johnson, Mitch Meece, and Doug Bates all followed with hits. That shook the Ross pitcher who then walked Cole Dubell, Richie Wallace, John Heywood, and Kyle Dockus. Ross then changed pitchers and JJ Johnson greeted him with a line shot double to clear the bases and the Big Moe goes up 8-0. Hitting leaders on the day were JJ Johnson and Kyle Dockus who were both 2 for 2 including a double. Others getting base hits were Josh Hollander (triple), and Mitch Meece. Richie Wallace started the game on the mound and pitched 2.2 innings allowing five runs, three of which were earned, on five hits, two walks and two strikeouts. Great relief came from Josh Hollander with 1.1 innings, no runs, one hit, and three strikeouts, and Jared Diesslin with one inning pitched, no runs, one hit, and one strikeout. The Moeller record continues to stand at 12-0 and 4-0 in the GCL.

MOELLER 9 BADIN 5

It's Friday the 13th and the Moeller Frosh won their 13th game of the year. It was not without a struggle in a great come from behind win. Down 3-2 going into the top of the fourth inning, the Crusaders called upon Tanner Marklay to hold the Badin Rams at-bay until our bats could stir up some offense. With the score knotted at three after the fourth inning, Josh Hollander led off the fifth inning with a sharp single to left and promptly stole second. JJ Johnson followed with a single scoring Hollander. Marshall Eippert then beat out an infield single to set up Adam Wilson's two run double to put up Moeller 6-3. Moeller added three more runs in the sixth inning when Kyle Dockus led off with a single and stole second. Josh Hollander doubled to send Dockus to third. Bailey Montoya walked to load the bases. It was JJ Johnson who iced it for the Big Moe when he hit a rocket to right center to clear the bases which proved enough for Tanner Markley. Markley pitched the last four innings giving up two earned runs on three hits, walking two with six strikeouts to pick up the win. Doug Bates started the game and pitched three innings allowing three earned runs, two hits three walks and one strikeout. Other Moeller batters getting hits were Grant Macciocchi 2 for 4 including a double and Mitch Bault. The Moeller Freshman record is now 13-0 and 4-0 in the GCL.

MOELLER 18 TURPIN 2

It was the Crusaders verses the Spartans. After a scoreless first inning, it was all Crusaders. Hank McKay and Matt Rusche teamed up to hold the Turpin Spartans to two runs on four hits in five innings. In the bottom of the second inning, Moeller sent 14 batters to the plate scoring nine runs. With one out, Eric Conner, Tait Cunningham, and Kyle Dockus all walked to load the bases. Jordan Ramey collected his second hit of the game to score Conner. Josh Hollander picked up a sac fly to knock in Cunningham. After a Bailey Montoya walk, JJ Johnson singled to score two, and Mitch Bault followed with a two RBI double to go up 9-0. After adding five more runs in the third inning to go up 14-2, Moeller finished scoring in the fourth inning. With two outs and no one on base, Matt Rusche reached on an error, Richie Wallace and Sam Waldbillig walked to load the bases. Tanner Marklay then hit a pinch hit single to score Rusche and Wallace. Marshall Eippert walked and Jared Diesslin hit a sharp line drive to send Waldbillig scampering home. The final run was scored when Cole Dubell walked with bases loaded. Other Crusaders getting hits were: Josh Hollander (double), Bailey Montoya (2 for 2), and Kyle Dockus. The Moeller Freshman are now 14-0 and 4-0 in the GCL.

MOELLER 8 BADIN 0

The story line of today's game was the stellar defense that aided Mitch Bault's impressive pitching performance. Diving outfield catches by Kyle Dockus and Hank McKay and the solid infield play from Mitch Meece, Josh Hollander, Grant Macciocchi, Tait Cunningham and JJ Johnson all helped Bault shut out the Badin Rams on three hits in seven innings. Mitch only allowed one walk while striking out four Ram batters. Moeller scored one run in the first inning when Jordan Ramey drilled a 2-0 pitch to left center for a leadoff double. Ramey stole third and scored on a wild pitch. In the bottom of the second, Mitch Meece hit a hard line drive to left followed by Grant Macciocchi's walked. Matt Rusche dropped a perfect bunt to move Meece and Macciocchi into scoring position. After the Badin pitcher balked in Meece, Kyle Dockus reached on an error to set up a two RBI triple from Josh Hollander to put the Crusaders up 4-0. The third inning also proved productive for the Big Moe. JJ Johnson and Mitch Meece walked. Grant Macciocchi doubled to send JJ rambling home. Matt Rusche walked and Kyle Dockus picked up one of his two hits on the day to score Meece and Macciocchi. Moeller 7 Badin 0. Moeller's eighth run was scored on a Mitch Bault ground out sending Bailey Montoya home after reaching base on a base hit. The Moeller Freshman record stands at 15-0 and 4-0 in the GCL.

MOELLER 12 HARRISON 2

The Harrison Wildcats had one thing in mind today. Beat Moeller! They gave it a great effort, but fell short. Moeller scored three unearned runs in the second inning. With one out, Cole Dubell doubled; Kyle Dockus walked which led to a Bailey Montoya, two RBI double. With the score 3-1 in the bottom of the fourth inning, Moeller had to manufacture some runs. Kyle Dockus started the inning with a single. Jordan Ramey reached on an error and Grant Macciocchi was hit by the pitch to load the bases. Bailey Montoya hit a pitch to deep centerfield for a sac fly. With runners on first and second, Jared Diesslin dropped a perfect sac bunt and Ramey scored all the way from second base to send the Crusaders up 5-1. Harrison added one more run in the top of the fifth inning and with bases loaded and the score 5-2, Jared Diesslin picked a Harrison runner off first base to snuff out the rally. Moeller put the game on ice in the bottom of the fifth inning scoring seven runs on six hits to invoke the run rule on the Wildcats. Hitting leaders for Moeller were: Bailey Montoya (double), Cole Dubell (double), and those collecting hits were Eric Conner, Mitch Meece, Mitch Bault, JJ Johnson and 2 for 2 by Kyle Dockus. JJ Johnson and Jared Diesslin combined the pitching duties for the Moeller win. The Freshman season record is now 16-0 and 4-0 the lead the GCL.

MOELLER 6 FENWICK 0

The Moeller Freshman extended their win streak to 17 games in a pitching duel between Fenwick's Andrew Nix and Moeller's Hank McKay. It was McKay that took home the W. Both pitchers pitched complete games. McKay gave up only two hits, three walks and three strikeouts. Of the five base runners that the Falcons put on base three of them were eliminated by the Moeller infield turning three double plays. The Moeller offense scored three runs in both the second and fifth innings. Mitch Bault led off the second inning with a double to left. After Mitch Meece walked, Eric Conner dropped a sac bunt to advance the runners. Marshall Eippert laced a single over the second baseman to score Bault and Meece. Jordan Ramey then singled and Josh Hollander doubled to score Moeller's third run. In the fifth inning, with one out, Bailey Montoya walked. JJ Johnson singled, Mitch Bault banged out his second hit on the day to score Montoya. Mitch Meece doubled to send Johnson scampering home. Moeller scored its sixth run when the Fenwick catcher tried to pick Bault off third base and threw the ball into left field. Hitting leaders for Moeller were: Jordan Ramey 2 for 4, Mitch Bault 2 for 3, and Grant Macciocchi with a double. The Moeller Freshman record now stands at 17 – 0 and 5-0 to lead the GCL.

ELDER 2 MOELLER 1

The Moeller Freshman suffered their first loss of the year at the hands of the Elder Panthers. This game was another pitching duel between Elder's Smith and Moeller's Mitch Bault. Moeller was only able to muster up one run on four hits. Their lone run came in the fourth inning when Josh Hollander led off with a single and advanced to second on Bailey Montoya's ground out. JJ Johnson then flied out to right field, advancing Hollander to third where he then scored on a Mitch Bault single. While Bault pitched a great game, holding the Panthers to four hits also, the two runs that were scored were put on base by a walk and hit batter. But give Elder credit for getting them on and getting timely hits to get them in. Bault's pitching line is seven innings, four hits, two runs, both earned, one walk, two strikeouts and one hit batter. Moeller's defense continued to turn double plays, which is very unusual on the freshman level. The Frosh today turned four more double plays. Moeller's four hits today were off the bats of Josh Hollander 2 for 3 including a double, Mitch Bault, a single and RBI, and Mitch Meece with a double. The Moeller Freshman stands at 17-1 and 5-1 in the GCL.

DEFIANCE 4 MOELLER 3 8 INNINGS

The Moeller Freshman made their annual trip to Defiance and Bryan, Ohio this weekend. They were able to only play one game due to bad weather on Saturday. The game against a very good Defiance team was a dandy. Defiance's Tom Cordray and Moeller's Cole Dubell hooked up in a good ol' good one. It wasn't until the bottom of the fifth inning that the Bulldogs were able to push a run across the plate. Defiance leadoff hitter singled and was bunted to second. Their next hitter doubled to send their first run across the plate. The next batter popped up to JJ Johnson for the second out. Their second run scored on a Moeller error and the third run scored on a double steal. After a scoreless sixth inning, Moeller went to bat in the seventh with the typical Moeller fight in their eyes. With one out, Grant Macciocchi singled. Kyle Dockus then doubled down the left field line to score Macciocchi. Defiance 3 Moeller 1. Jordan Ramey then grounded out for Moeller's second out. Josh Hollander and Bailey Montoya worked the Defiance starting pitcher for walks to load the bases with two outs for cleanup hitter JJ Johnson. And cleanup was what JJ did. A line shot drilled to right center for a double to tie the game at three. Cole Dubell held Defiance scoreless in the bottom of the seventh to send the game to extra innings. Moeller went out 1-2-3 in the top of the eighth. Dubell gave way to Matt Rusche in the bottom of the inning. The Defiance leadoff hitter doubled. But Rusche and the Crusaders did not fold so easy. Rusche got the next hitter to pop out to Mitch Meece. After the runner advanced to third on a wild pitch, the infield and outfield all pulled in and the next batter hit a bleeder to very shallow right field and Kyle Dockus made a diving catch to hold the runner on third. The next batter then hit a ground ball deep in the hole between short and third for an infield hit to score the winning run. Those getting hits were Jordan Ramey, Bailey Montoya, JJ Johnson, Mitch Bault, Eric Conner, Grant Macciocchi, and Kyle Dockus. The Moeller record is now 17-2 and 5-1 in the GCL.

MOELLER 11 LaSALLE 0

The Crusaders and Lancers collided on the baseball field today and it was the Crusaders who prevailed. Hank McKay went the distance to pick up another shutout win over the LaSalle Lancers by a score of 11-0. McKay only allowed three hits with one walk, while striking out seven LaSalle batters. It was not until the bottom of the third inning, with one out, that the Big Moe came out of their hitting slump. Grant Macciocchi reached on an error by the shortstop and Kyle Dockus grounded into a fielder's choice. Jordan Ramey followed with a base hit to left. After Josh Hollander flied out to center for the second out, Bailey Montoya hit a shot to center for a double to score Dockus and Ramey. JJ Johnson followed with a double of his own to score Montoya and put the Frosh up 3-0. Mitch Meece opened the fourth inning up with a double and after the Lancers booted three balls hit by Dockus, Ramey, and Hollander, the Crusaders scored two more runs to send the score to 5-0. In the fifth inning a double by JJ Johnson and single from Mitch Meece plated one more run. But it was the sixth inning that Official Scorer, Keane Reed had the most action. Moeller sent 11 batters to the plate and scored five runs to set up the run rule for Moeller. Hitting leaders today were: JJ Johnson 3 for 4 with two doubles, Bailey Montoya 2

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for 4 with a double and four RBI, Mitch Bault 2 for 4 with two RBI and a double, Mitch Meece 2 for 3 with a double, Eric Conner, 2 for 4 with an RBI, Grant Macciocchi and Kyle Dockus with a hit. Moeller's record is not 18-2 and 6-1 in the GCL.

MOELLER 10 ST. XAVIER 0
GCL CHAMPIONS

The Moeller Freshman won their 19th GCL Championship in the last 22 years today by run ruling the St. Xavier Bombers on a walk off balk. Moeller was in control from the start on a very wet baseball field. It started in the first inning when Jordan Ramey walked and scored on Josh Hollander's double. The Crusaders did not let up. In the second inning, Eric Conner was hit by the pitch, Kyle Dockus moved him up on a sac bunt. After Jordan Ramey walked, Josh Hollander, Bailey Montoya, and JJ Johnson all singled to score three more runs. Moeller then followed with a fourth single by Mitch Bault but JJ was thrown out at the plate in a close play.
Big Moe added three more runs in the fourth inning on walks by Grant Macciocchi and Jordan Ramey, a base hit from Josh Hollander, his third, a sac fly from Montoya, and a double by Johnson. In the bottom of the sixth inning, Mitch Bault walked and advanced to third when Eric Conner reached on an error. The Bomber pitcher then balked home Bault for the Crusaders tenth run and the league championship. The Moeller Freshman turned two more double plays, Wallace, Macciocchi, Johnson and Hollander, Macciocchi, Johnson. This was the freshman's 14th and 15th double play. Mitch Bault went the distance for the Crusaders on the mound to record the shutout in six innings. He allowed six hits with one walk and one strikeout. The Moeller Freshman record is now 19-2 and 7-1 to win the GCL. Great job freshman.

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The Moeller Freshman notched their 20th win of the season today by caging the Harrison Wildcats. Jared Diesslin threw 6 2/3 innings of great baseball to pick of the big win. Diesslin struck out six Harrison batters while only allowing three walks and eight hits. Matt Rusche came in with two runners on base and tossed only two pitches to end the game. Moeller scored throughout the game. The sixth inning was the big inning when the Crusaders scored three times. It started when Tait Cunningham walked, Cole Dubell singled, and Hank McKay walked to set up Doug Bates' double and Marchall Eippert's run scoring hit. Moeller's hitting leaders for the day were: Cole Dubell, 4 for 4 with two RBI and a walk, Doug Bates 4 for 4 with two doubles and four RBI, 2 for 3 from Marshall Eippert, and a base hit by Richie Wallace. The Frosh turned two more double plays to run their season total to an amazing 17 double plays. The Moeller Freshman record stands at 20-2 overall and 7-1 in the GCL.