

March 7: Summit Blows AHS Out of Lamar/Seguin Tournament 13-2

On a blustery Saturday in Seguin, the Colts freshman were routed by Summit, who scored 13 runs on 9 hits, and held the Colts offense (which entered the game hitting .312 as a team and averaging 7 runs a game) to two runs on four singles in a fine pitching performance by the Summit starter (and finisher). Summit opened the game off Colts starter Nathan Rowe (who pitched better than the final score would indicate) with a hit, walk, hit-by-pitch, and scored on passed balls. The Colts bounced back in the bottom of the second, loading the bases on a leadoff walk by Lawrence Brandt, a two-out single by Duane Hughes, and a walk by Brennan Kelly (getting the start in right-field). Dillon Elliot in only his second at-bat of the season had a two-run single to right to tie the game. Dillon made the most of his three innings behind the plate catching four pop-ups! Chris Burnett later added a fifth (kind of surprising as there were none in the first six games). Still within range down 5-2 in the bottom of the third, the Colts loaded the bases on a hit by Nathan, a walk by Daniil Lysenko, and a hit-by-pitch by Clayton Johnson (who was pinch-hittee-ing for third-baseman Garrett Burk). Duane Hughes hit a nubber that could have been trouble, but the pitcher made a key play to force Nathan at home. Gary Lopez retired Summit on four pitches in the 4th aided by nice glove work by SS Lawrence and first baseman Daniil who dug a low throw out of the dirt. The Colts had a rally opportunity in the bottom of the inning, after a two-out single by Kelsie Dancer and a walk by Tyler Rice (pinch-walking for Nathan) and a couple stolen bases, put runners on 2nd and 3rd, but the Colts were thwarted when Gavin Hawbaker was thrown out by a quarter step by the slick fielding Summit shortstop. Summit plated four in each of the 5th and 6th innings to earn a berth in the consolation finals and sent AHS home early.