

Colts Trip-up Irving Nimitz 7-4

Irving March 6, 2010. The Arlington Colts JV team came from behind to beat Irving Nimitz 7-4 to claim third place in the Nimitz Tournament. Coach Buechele set an unofficial league record by losing the coin toss for the eighth straight game, a clever strategy designed to give the Colts the chance to grab an early lead. Neither team scored in the first with the Colts going down in order, and starter Jeff Queary pitching out of an early jam. In the second, however, the Buechele Gambit paid dividends as Eddie Lozano singled and came around to score on a passed ball as the Colts went ahead 1-0. Unfortunately, the Vikings struck right back with a single and a walk, with both runners scoring when center fielder Austin McKinney's attempt at a diving catch came up a little short. In the third Matt Juarez lined a hard shot off the pitcher's leg, with McKinney on second after a walk and a bunt single by second baseman Nathan Rowe, but the Colts came up empty when McKinney got tagged out breaking for home later in the inning. In the fourth, Queary and Jake Landrith walked and Ashby Dean reached on an error to load the bases for McKinney, who then ripped an 0-1 pitch to left putting Arlington on top 3-2. Duane Hughes followed with a pinch single, and before you knew it the Colts had batted around again, plating six to extend the lead to 7-2. Nimitz added solo runs in the bottom of the fourth and fifth, but Ashby Dean got the last two outs of the game on grounders earning the Colts first save of the season. The 7-4 win improved the Colts overall record to 5-3.