

Varsity Softball Roundup

Lady Jays bounce Lady 'Necks; Lamar, Austin, Travis collect victories

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Needville 3, Columbia 1

NEEDVILLE — Needville climbed into the thick of the three-way race for the District 24-3A championship by completing a regular-season sweep of Columbia Tuesday night at the Blue Jay Sports Complex.

A two-run first put the Lady Jays on top to stay. Jenny Stack singled in Alyssa Rodriguez, who reached on a base hit, and Kayla Johns pushed a bunt between the mound and first for a hit, scoring Shelby Parham.

Needville manufactured a run in the third. Parham reached on an in-field hit, was sacrificed to second by Stack, went to third on a wild pitch and scored on Johns' sacrifice fly to left.

Falls scattered six hits in a complete-game victory. The only Columbia run came on a Natalie Rodriguez homer in the fourth.

The Lady Jay hurler benefited from several defensive gem. Parham speared a liner in the third, center fielder Becca Rademacher made a sliding catch of a low liner in the fourth, Julie Kalmus ran down a foul pop near the fence in the sixth and Stack gloved a liner at third in the seventh.

Lamar 5, Seven Lakes 1

Lamar Consolidated gained a valuable edge over Seven Lakes in the race for a District 24-4A playoff berth by defeating the Lady Spartans at Lady Mustang Softball Field.

Winning pitcher Elyssa Alvarado allowed just two hits, one an in-field single, and struck out five. She pitched out of a two-on, no-out jam in the first and went on to shut down the Lady Spartan attack.

Lamar scored two runs in the first and added two more in the third to grab a 4-1 lead.

The seven-hit attack was led by Stacie Vacek, who went 2-for-3 and drove in two runs. Adding RBI hits were Alvarado, Bel Ramos and Analise Romo. Marissa Thome added two walks and two runs scored.

Austin 11, Bush 1 (5)

SUGAR LAND — Charly Dement hit an inside-the-park home run to pace a 12-hit attack and Austin run-ruled Bush in District 23-5A action Tuesday.

Dement also went the distance on the hill. She struck out six and allowed three hits as Austin improved to 11-3 in district play.

Also adding extra-base hit were Stefanie Schneider and Caitlyn Barnes with triples, Jessaca Spears with a double and Dement with her blast that sliced into the right-field corner.

Austin scored four in the second on Dement's leadoff homer and RBIs from Melanie Arena, Spears and Caitlyn Barnes.

In a six-run fifth, RBIs were collected by Breanna Hutchinson with a two-run single, a single by Spears and a two-run triple by Barnes.

Travis 15, Hightower 0

Travis stayed alive in the District 23-5A playoff chase by run-ruling Hightower in three innings Tuesday night at Lady Tiger Field.

Travis scored three runs in the first and 12 more in the second. Becca Rush went 3-for-3 with 4 RBIs, while Alexis Estrada added two hits.

Estrada was the winning pitcher, fanning two and allowing one hit in three innings.

District 27-2A

Van Vleck routed Brazos 12-0 in district play Tuesday. Other action saw Danbury sweep Yes College Prep by 20-0 and 18-0 scores.



Dement