

## Chieftains down Southwestern 8-2

The varsity baseball team kept pace in the conference race with an 8-2 win over the Southwestern Wildcats on Friday Night. The win keeps the Chieftains one game behind Darlington with a big match up with the Redbirds at home on Monday Night.

In this one the Chieftains pounded out 15 hits and received another stellar pitching performance from senior Trevor Troxel, to nail down the win. Coach Thompson "We are continuing to hit the ball very well right now and we continue to get excellent pitching performances. That usually equals a lot of wins."

We would jump out in front with two runs in the bottom of the first. Bradon Roen would lead us off with a single and a stolen base. One out later he would move to third and then score on a Trevor Johnson sac fly. Caleb Johnson would keep the inning going with a sharp single and then wisely steal second. Elijah Cannon would then smash an RBI single to left and it was 2-0.

We extended the lead to 3-0 with one run in the second. With two outs Ty Hougan would smartly smash a single to left. Bradon would again single and Trevor T. then crushed a double to left and it was 3-0.

After a scoreless third we added on four more in the fourth. Dalton Haile would lead us off with a hustling double. Ty then moved him to third with a nice sac bunt. Bradon would drive him in as he whistled a single to center and it was 4-0. Bradon would swiftly steal second and after Trevor T.'s hard hit ground ball was misplayed we had runners on the corners. Trevor J. then delivered an RBI single to left sending a flying courtesy runner Brady Fox to third. Trevor J. would quickly steal second. Moments later Elijah Cannon would crack a two run single to left and it was 7-0. Coach Thompson "We were relentless at the plate as up and down the order we kept the pressure on."

We would tack on one more run in the sixth. Trevor T. would single. Brady would run for him and alertly move to third on another hit by Trevor J. One out later Elijah would pick up his fourth hit and fourth RBI of the game to make it 8-0.

Meanwhile Trevor T. was baffling the Wildcat hitters allowing just one hit over the first six innings and no runs. The Wildcats were able to break up the shutout bid in the seventh with a two out hit but we would secure the 8-2 win. Coach Thompson "We played another fine game and I would expect us to continue to play well as we wrap up the regular season and get ready for the tournament."

Box Score: AB. Runs. Hits. RBI

Roen 4-2-3-1 Troxel 4-0-2-1 Fox 0-2-0-0 T. Johnson 3-1-2-2 C. Johnson 3-1-1-0 Ekleberry 1-0-0-0 Cannon 4-0-4-4 Schaefer 3-0-0-0 Luck 1-0-0-0 Sperry 4-0-1-0 Haile 3-1-1-0 Harris 0-0-0-0 Hougan 2-1-1-0 Haffner 0-0-0-0

Pitching Stats. IP. Hits. Runs. ER BB K  
Troxel. 7. 4. 2. 2. 4. 9