

Mulvane Dumped In 1st Regional Round

The curtain fell down on a baseball season Coach David Katzenmeier would like to think never happened. The Mulvane High School Wildcats won four of their first five games, then 15 straight losses.

Andover put the finishing touch on that streak for the Cats Monday, May 16, in the first round of the Mulvane Class 4A Regional, knocking Mulvane out of its own regional with a 4-2 victory at Andover.

The loss ended the year for Katzenmeier's Cats with a 4-16 record.

"We played better against Andover," said Katzenmeier. "We started hitting the ball a little and Jamie (Belden) pitched a pretty good ball game. We had two runners thrown out at the plate, so with a little luck, we could have won it."

"It was a pretty emotional game. The seniors wanted to get back home to play but it wasn't to be."

The Wildcats didn't go down without a battle, though. Andover jumped out on Cat starter Jamie Belden for a 2-0 lead in the first inning, inched the lead up to 3-0 before Mulvane scored twice in the top of the sixth to get back in the game.

Veteran senior Jay Schlegel ripped a double with one out in the sixth. Pinch hitter

Mulvane 4A Regional Baseball Results

FIRST ROUND

Mulvane	000 002 0--2 9
Andover	200 101 x--4 7
Jamie Belden and Chad Nulik; Walker and Nash.	
HR— Jack Siegrist (A).	

Mulvane 4A Regional Baseball Pairings Wednesday, May 18

AT MULVANE SPORTS COMPLEX

Game 2 — Valley Center (12-8) vs. Rose Hill (12-8),
3 p.m.

Game 3 — Wellington (16-4) vs. Andover (12-9), 5

Game 4 (Championship)—winners of games 2 and 3,
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Casey Myers laced a single to score Schlegel. After Tim Glaser was hit by a pitch, Shay Vangas tapped a single, which scored Myers, but Vangas was thrown out at second when Chad Nulik grounded into an inning-ending fielder's choice.

Mulvane's biggest threat of the game came in the third inning when Nulik walked, Scott Sanchez singled and Tom Nienke reached on an error. Nulik was thrown out at the plate and Schlegel walked but Mulvane couldn't get the key hit and didn't score in a 2-0 game.