



Central's Hayden Hawk. [PHOTOS BY DAN BUSEY/TIMESDAILY, UNLESS NOTED]



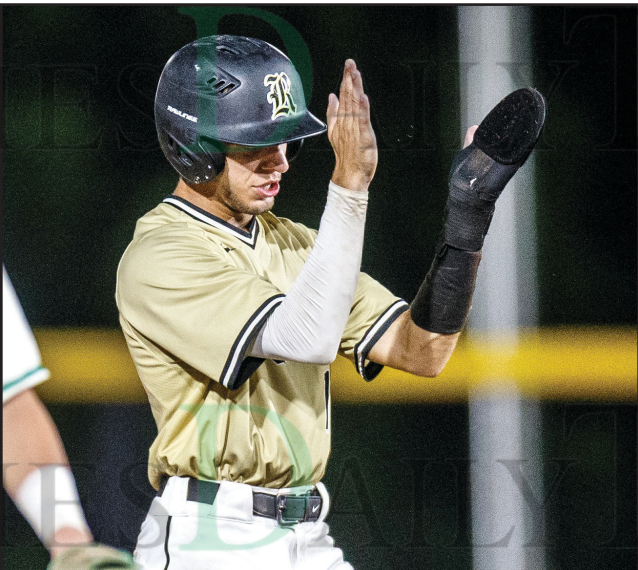
Loretto's Clint Seymore and Russellville's Eli Gipson.



Hamilton's Bryant Loving. [DAVID GLOVACH/TIMESDAILY]



Loretto's Caleb Davis.



Russellville's Casen Heaps.



Deshler's Logan James.

TIMESDAILY 2022 LARGE SCHOOL ALL-AREA BASEBALL

FIRST-TEAM ALL-AREA

P: Banks Langston, Russellville, Jr.

Class 5A pitcher of the year and first-team All-State. Was 9-3 with a 1.25 ERA and 82 strikeouts in 78 1/3 innings.

P: Eli Jackson, Hamilton, Sr.

Second-team Class 4A All-State. Finished 7-4 with a 1.53 ERA. Totaled 94 strikeouts with 14 walks in 73 1/3 innings. Was a four-year ace for the Aggies. Two-time All-Area. Wallace State-Hanceville signee.

C: Clint Seymore, Loretto, So.

Walked 25 times with just eight strikeouts to compile a .440 on-base percentage. Slugged .464 with 28 RBIs and 19 runs scored in 37 games. Also pitched and was 6-1 with a 3.16 ERA in 51 innings.

IF: Eli Gipson, Russellville, Sr.

First-team Class 5A All-State. Had a .481 on-base percentage with 50 runs scored in 48 games. Hit .380 with 25 walks. Knocked in 37 runs. Union University (Tennessee) signee.

IF: Christian Chatterton, Brooks, So.

First-team Class 4A All-State. Had a .542 batting average with .618 on-base and .792 slugging percentages. Scored 29 times and had 16 RBIs in 24 games.

IF: Bryant Loving, Hamilton, Jr.

Second-team Class 4A All-State. Scored 42 runs and knocked in 34 in 41 games. Was 21-of-24 on steals. As a pitcher, was 6-3 with a save and a 2.67 ERA in 55 innings. Two-time All-Area.

IF: Caleb Davis, Loretto, Sr.

Led the Mustangs with 38 RBIs and scored 33 times in 37 games. Was 19-of-20 on steals.

OF: Casen Heaps, Russellville, Jr.

First-team Class 5A All-State. Had a .451 on-base percentage and 32 runs scored in 44 games.

OF: Nathan Brockway, Russellville, Sr.

Second-team Class 5A All-State. Posted .504 on-base and .607 slugging percentages with 29 runs scored and 26 RBIs in 46 games.

OF: Caden Porter, Loretto, Jr.

Finished with a .518 on-base percentage and 47 runs scored in 37 games. Also had 35 RBIs and a .722 slugging percentage with 19 extra-base hits, including five home runs.

UTL: Kyler Murks, Brooks, Sr.

First-team Class 4A All-State. Hit .427 and was 16-of-17 on steals with 36 runs scored and 40 RBIs in 28 games. Slugged .708. Also pitched. Two-time All-Area. Wallace State-Hanceville signee.

UTL: Hayden Hawk, Central, Sr.

Second-team Class 4A All-State. Knocked in 23 runs and scored 18 times in 28 games. As a pitcher, was 7-3 with a 1.89 ERA in 59 1/3 innings. Struck out 97 and held hitters to a .166 average. Two-time All-Area. Northwest-Shoals signee.

DH: Canyon Pace, Russellville, Sr.

Class 5A hitter of the year and first-team All-State. Clubbed 12 home runs and had 61 RBIs in 48 games. Registered a .429 on-base percentage and slugged .690. Two-time All-Area. Union University (Tennessee) signee.

DH: Josh Porter, Loretto, Sr.

Had a .433 on-base percentage, aided by a team-high 27 walks. Posted 33 RBIs and 23 runs scored in 37 games. Tennessee Southern signee.

SECOND-TEAM ALL-AREA

P: Logan White, Russellville, Jr.

Posted a 1.46 ERA with 85 strikeouts in 67 1/3 innings. Was 6-3 for the Class 5A champion Golden Tigers.

P: Austin McDow, Loretto, Sr.

In 60 1/3 innings, held hitters to a .159 average with 67 strikeouts. Recorded a 6-3 record.

P: Samuel Pace, Russellville, Sr.

Went 8-2 with a 1.90 ERA, 67 strikeouts and 41 hits allowed in 55 1/3 innings.

C: Henry Finch, Deshler, Sr.

Registered .480 on-base and .500 slugging percentages. Finished with a .385 average and 24 RBIs.

IF: Gage Wilson, Wilson, So.

Helped by a .512 on-base percentage, scored 23 times in 32 games.

IF: Caleb Mahan, Florence, Sr.

Crossed the plate 25 times and had 23 RBIs in 31 games. Posted a .430 on-base percentage and slugged .539. Two-time All-Area.

IF: Devin Burdett, Deshler, Sr.

Compiled a .513 on-base percentage, including 27 walks, in 33 games.

IF: Jake Thompson, Deshler, Sr.

Had a .361 average with 17 RBIs.

OF: Carson Brewer, Central, Sr.

Crossed the plate 30 times in 30 games. Was 18-of-20 on steals.

OF: Bo Mitchell, Haleyville, Fr.

Hit .411 with 25 RBIs.

OF: Easton Fuller, Deshler, Jr.

Had a .472 on-base percentage with 27 runs scored in 35 games.

UTL: Logan James, Deshler, Sr.

Scored 35 times and posted a .559 on-base percentage in 35 games. Two-time All-Area.

UTL: Noah Toney, Florence, Sr.

Knocked in 24 runs and scored 21 times in 31 games.

DH: Nick Roberson, Brooks, Jr.

Finished with a .385 average, 13 runs and 12 RBIs in 26 games.

COACH OF THE YEAR

Trent Williams, Hamilton

Piloted the Aggies to the 4A semifinals, their first semifinal berth since 2009 and just the third in 40 years. Hamilton's 27 wins represent a stark turnaround from Williams' first season when the Aggies went 1-11. Hamilton has 10 playoff wins the last two years after not making the playoffs from 2010-2019. In three years under Williams, the Aggies are 48-41.

HONORABLE MENTION

Brooks: Caleb Campbell, Robby Robinson

Central: Michael Larkin

Florence: Walton Reid

Hamilton: Payton Purser, Ben Moore

FINAL RECORDS

Brooks (15-15), Central (16-12), Deshler (13-22), Florence (15-17), Haleyville (12-14), Hamilton (27-14), Lawrence Co. (Tenn.) (18-13), Loretto (25-12), Muscle Shoals (8-15), Rogers (6-21), Russellville (35-13), Wilson (13-19).

Compiled by A. Stacy Long in consultation with area coaches. No information received from Lawrence County (Tenn.), Muscle Shoals or Rogers.



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Russellville's Nathan Brockway.



Wilson's Gage Wilson.