

Double-Digit Aces Land Themselves On South Division All-Star Team

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BETHESDA, Md. – The Alexandria Aces could field an entire team with the amount of All-Stars they earned in 2025, landing 11 different student-athletes on the South's team as they can end the first half of the regular season at the top of the division standings with a win over second place Southern Maryland on Tuesday night.

The Blue and White have the most representatives in their division, followed closely by the Senators (9), then the Metropolitan South County Braves (7) and the D.C. Grays (5).

Inside the other dugout, the All-Star Game hosts from the Bethesda Big Train lead all squads with a dozen players (the only team with more than Alexandria) while the Silver Spring-Takoma Thunderbolts (9), Olney Cropdusters (7), and Gaithersburg Giants (4) round out this year's best of the best.

#1 Derek Almeda, an infielder from Rancho Cucamonga, California and Chaffey Community College, leads the Aces in most offensive categories including batting average (.370 / second-best in the CRCBL), slugging percentage (.425), OPS (.914), at-bats (73), total bases (31), hits (27), games played (19), stolen bases (10), and triples (1) in addition to riding a five-game hitting streak into Tuesday matchup.

#3 Cooper Hums, an outfielder from Mishawaka, Indiana and Western Michigan University, is one of just three Aces players with a triple, is tied with Gavin Degnan (Penn) for sacrifice flies, and is in a three-way stalemate with Almeda plus John Colligan (Ball State) as the top base stealer (10).

#7 Stephen Curry, a right-handed pitcher from New Market, Maryland and Seton Hall University, has done a little bit of everything for Pitching Coach Anthony Naso, making four relief

appearances and one start along with collecting himself both a win and a save as the SHU Pirate currently holds a 2.18 ERA in 12.1 innings with 13 strikeouts.

#8 Michael Powell, an infielder from Alexandria, Virginia and the University of Pennsylvania, has the painful distinction of being the most plunked player on the roster so far at five hit-by-pitches and has collected double-figure totals regarding runs scored (13), knocks (12), and walks (10) through 17 appearances.

#11 Mason Christopher, a left-handed pitcher from Middletown, New Jersey and Seton Hall University, sports the lowest ERA (2.01) of any Ace with more than 15 innings pitched, allowing just five earned runs over 22.1 frames and just a .229 batting average against him, despite the 0-2 record.

#12 Toby Hueber, an infielder from Cincinnati, Ohio and George Mason University, tops the team in on-base percentage by reaching safely in exactly half of his trips to the dish (.500) over 72 plate appearances.

#13 Michael Kitko, a right-handed pitcher from Houtzdale, Pennsylvania and Slippery Rock University, is not far behind Christopher in terms of BAA (.233), averaging less than a hit allowed (7) and striking out (7) approximately one batter per inning, hurling 7.2 frames exclusively out of the bullpen on top of being one of many tied on the team's wins leaderboard at 2-1.

#25 Gavin Miller, an infielder from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania and the University of Pittsburgh, is averaging a hit per contest in 17 ballgames, sitting just south of a .300 batting average (.293).

#28 Diego Pena, a catcher from Muskegon, Michigan and Western Michigan University, has only appeared in ten games but have made his outings as backstop count with ten base hits including a homer and a double, six free passes and runs scored, five RBIs, plus a slash line of .303 (AVG) / .415 (OBP) / .424 (SLG).

#32 Adam Lehmann, a right-handed pitcher from Granger, Indiana and Western Michigan University, is the workhouse among the relievers with a team-high seven appearances, fanning twice as many batters (20) as he's walked (9), is the lone member of Chris Berset's crew with multiple saves (2), and his WHIP is the lowest amongst his peers (1.11).

#33 Nathan Lake, a left-handed pitcher from Falls Church, Virginia and Shippensburg University, is one of only three non-Division I All-Stars to come from "The A" this year as his ERA hovers around four (4.02) and he has whiffed a baker's dozen's worth during his 15.2 innings on the bump.

[Shirley Povich Field](#) will once again pit the North and the South against one another during the annual Mid-Summer Classic at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, July 9.

Tickets can be purchased at the gate or online by [clicking here](#) and if you can't make the game, you can still follow along on the CRCBL's YouTube channel, [here](#).



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