

Prep Baseball

East wins regular season

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Anton Maxwell's sparkling pitching performance Wednesday night lifted the East Thunderbirds to an 8-2 victory over the West Eagles at Kosinski Fields.

The win clinched the Region IV regular-season title and a trip to the state tournament in Palmer.

Maxwell allowed only one hit and struck out 14 batters in 6 1/3 innings. "When he's on, he's as unhittable as anybody in the state," said East coach Tony Wylie.

East hitting stars included Corey Madden and Grant Bledsoe, who each drove in two runs.

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East -- Maxwell, Farkas (7) and Tuck. West -- Hudspeth and Wagg. W -- Maxwell. L -
- Hudspeth. 2B -- East: Bledsoe, McLeod.