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Hopkins KJCCC Pitcher of the Week

Following a busy week on the softball diamond for her and the rest of the Seward County Lady Saints, Seward County sophomore Brittany Hopkins was rewarded by the league on Tuesday as she was named the Jayhawk West Pitcher of the Week.

In a six game in five day stretch, Hopkins led the gals in green to a perfect 6-0 record over the past week, recording a 4-0 record herself, with a save in that span. She threw 20 $\frac{2}{3}$ innings and allowed just 2 runs on the week, good for a 0.68 ERA. Tuesday against Colby she came in to close out a 6-5 win for Seward in game one to record a save. In game two of the double header she went the distance, allowing just 2 hits in a 16-0 shutout win over the Trojans. Wednesday she worked double duty again, starting game one and throwing another complete game, this one against Clarendon, allowing 3 hits and 1 run in a 9-1 Seward victory. In game two of the double header she again came into the game in relief and pitched 3 shutout innings, allowing just 1 hit to earn the win as Seward came back to beat the Bulldogs 7-5. Saturday she threw her third complete game of the week, going all 7 innings of a 2-1 Seward win over Dodge City to move her record to 4-0 on the week.

The Pitcher of the Week award is the first in her career for Hopkins and makes the third different Seward pitcher to win the award this year (Katelyn Craker, Jaclyn Wagner). The Lady Saints now sit at 32-7 overall on the season and will return to the diamond Wednesday in a big Jayhawk West Conference matchup with rival Butler in El Dorado.

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