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### Skins Finish Home Season with Split Against Hays

Liberal split with the WAC baseball champions Tuesday afternoon in Liberal. The Hays Indians rallied to win the first game 4-3 but LHS rallied to take the second game 3-2. The win assures the Redskins of a winning season after three straight losing records. LHS didn't commit an error in the two games on a cool day with the wind blowing in from left.

In game one, Jared Fox pitched seven strong innings in the loss. Both teams had eight hits and Hays had two errors. The Redskins scored runs in the third, fourth, and fifth to lead 3-1. However, Hays put up a three spot in the sixth which would ultimately save their Western Athletic Conference championship season. Collin Ware was 3-3 while Law Greiner and Kaiden Long had RBI hits.

In game two, Kaiden Long pitched the distance for the win. Both teams had six hits and Hays had two errors. The Indians scored in the first and third to lead 2-0 before Kaiden Long tripled home a run to right and would later score on an error. With a tie game in the bottom of the seventh, Collin Ware tripled to right to lead off the inning. Lorenzo Pando's sacrifice fly to right scored the winning run for a walk off win. Long was 2-3 with a triple and an RBI while Ware was 2-3 with a triple and was 5-6 for the day. Pando was 1-2 with a double and the game winning RBI on the sac fly.

Liberal is 11-9 and finishes 3-5 in the WAC. They split with every WAC team except Garden City who swept LHS. Hays is 13-7 overall and 6-2 in the WAC. Hays is the WAC champ.

Liberal will play at regionals next week against a team, a time, and a place to be announced by KSHSAA. The games will air on 1270 and kscbnews.net next week.

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