



TEDESCO COMMITTS TO TOP SCHOLARSHIP AT NJC

"In the ring, I never really knew fear." – Boxing's sole lifetime undefeated heavyweight champion of the world Rocky Marciano

Being named the starting pitcher in spring and summer State Championship Games, as well as against the top players in the entire State of Texas on behalf of Team Colorado, and against top junior college teams while only 12 hours removed from battling as the Reds' running back in a tough football game...that's not something for everyone.

The pressure to succeed, especially when the entire season is on the line, is something that frankly makes most players cringe, and ultimately fail. It has long been said that in order to perform well in big games, you don't have to play any better than normal, as your opponents will perform worse under pressure, so you simply need to have an average outing in order to win the game. However, with a mentality much like heavyweight champion Rocky Marciano, Brady Tedesco is one of those very rare pitchers that actually performs at his best as the pressure increases. He fears nothing.

Brady Tedesco has just committed to a top scholarship at Northeastern Junior College (NJC), a baseball program that was ranked #16 in the nation in 2013.

Tedesco started his high school baseball career in the summer after 8th grade, leading the Reds to the 2011 Legion D State Championship, being named the Most Valuable Player of the State Tournament after simply destroying opposing pitchers hitting in the leadoff spot as the Reds scored outscored Class 5A opponents 42-2 to reach the State Championship Game, and then piled on another 14 runs in the Championship Game to secure the title. Brady and his teammates scored a remarkable 468 runs that summer, posting a 30-5 overall record and an undefeated record in Legion D. There was no question that this Class of 2015 was going to be special, and had a very bright future ahead.

Tedesco and teammates then went on to help the Reds win the 2012 spring State Championship Game, before playing a pivotal role in securing the 2012 Legion B State Championship, the 2013 Legion A Varsity State Championship, and the 2014 Legion A Varsity State Championship. Tedesco has often had the ball in his hands, with the season on the line, in the key games throughout each of these championship runs, typically pitching in the Championship Game, and never leaving the mound without having the Reds in the lead. That includes this summer when after already having won the Legion A Varsity State Championship Game the previous weekend, he returned from a life-threatening car accident just two days prior to pitch for the Reds against the top graduate team during the Legion A regular season, and once again provided the Reds with the lead after holding down his opponent for four innings.

Now with high school summer baseball behind him, Tedesco is one of very few players in America that can say he piled-up in 4 straight summer seasons.

This fall, Tedesco pitched—often only hours after competing as a running back in football games—against many of the top high school all-star and junior college teams. While sore and beaten up going into the game, he pitched not only admirably, he threw well enough to earn multiple scholarship opportunities at both the 2-year and 4-year level. He has chosen to start his collegiate career at NJC for the next two seasons, and has no fear of the opportunities that will await him thereafter.