



Eaton 9
Evergreen 8
GAME NOTE
 Eaton's Dusty Dominguez allowed five runs in relief and added 2 RBI on a 2-for-4 performance from the plate.

Eaton wins championship

Reds baseball team snags second straight Legion B state title

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NIWOT — Baseball is a game of tough guys and for the second year in a row, Eaton is the No. 1 tough guy.

Eaton head coach Jim Danley now has

the rest of the summer to enjoy his third Legion B state championship as Eaton overcame a nail-biter with Evergreen, winning 9-8.

Danley made it clear that his team has what it takes to win: Toughness.

“Championships are won by tough guys, and that’s what this team has. One of the goals this summer was to develop mental toughness and they have reached it,” Danley said.

Eaton was forced to use that mental edge in the fourth inning, as it watched Evergreen take a three-run lead.

“This team is about clutch hits and

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clutch defensive plays. They are fighters,” Danley said.

Eaton used half of the fourth inning to bat through its lineup, scoring six runs. Second baseman Josh Noblitt, who went 2-for-3 with 3 RBI, led the way by slugging a two-run double, erupting the already rowdy Eaton bench.

“This was icing on the cake,” Noblitt said. “And I really wasn’t hitting that well until the state tournament.”

Eaton then had to maintain its intensi-

ty by providing enough pitching and defense, the areas that Danley prides his team on, to hold off a persistent Evergreen team.

“They are a very fine hitting team, the best we’ve seen all summer. They are well coached. Hensley is a great hitting coach,” said coach Danley of Terry Hensley, former University of Northern Colorado baseball coach.

Eaton’s clutch pitching came from starter Perry Hood and reliever Dusty

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