

Game 1

Mt. Sac Powers Past Cosumnes River, Headed to Semi-Finals

Bakersfield, CA -- Mt. Sac and Cosumnes River opened action at Bakersfield College at the 2010 State Championship Final Four Tournament Friday evening. The four-time state champion Mounties made a statement scoring seven runs in the first inning on the way to a five inning 12-0 win to advance to the semi-finals. Mt. Sac avenged its 6-5 loss to the Hawks from earlier this year to advance to its eighth straight State Semi-Final. Cosumnes River will move down to the loser's bracket where it will take on the loser of the Cypress and Siskiyou game.

Mt. Sac punished the Hawks freshman starting pitcher Morgan Hayes (11-9) with seven earned runs in the first highlighted by a two-run homerun by freshman designated player Heather Harrison and a two RBI single by sophomore third baseman Crystal Venegas.

The Mounties did not score again until the third when sophomore Sarah Velasquez came off the bench with the bases loaded and produced a grand slam over the left field fence. Harrison finished it off in the fourth with her second homerun of the game for Mt. Sac's twelfth run of the day.

Mt. Sac's starting pitcher freshman Alexa Limon (18-5) pitched all five innings striking out five and allowing four Hawks hits.

Mt. Sac (37-11) will take on the winner of the Cypress and Siskiyou matchup taking place tonight at 8:00 pm in the semifinals. The Mounties need just two more wins for a fifth State Championship. They will play again at 5:30 pm tomorrow. Cosumnes River (30-15), who is looking for its first State Championship, is one loss away from elimination and will play again at 3:00 pm tomorrow.