

## **Game 2**

### **Cypress Comes From Behind to Mercy Siskiyous, Will Take on Rival Mt. Sac in Semis**

Bakersfield, CA – Cypress and Siskiyous faced off in game two of the Final Four State Championship. After falling behind 4-0 early, Cypress's offense took off on the way to a 14-6 win in five innings. The five-time state champs will move on to the semi-finals to take on rival Mt. Sac for the first time this year. The Chargers are looking for their first State Championship since 2006.

The Eagles took it to Cypress first with a three-run homerun by freshman shortstop Amanda Krueger to take the 3-0 lead in the first. Siskiyous extended its lead with a run in the second off the bat of freshman second baseman Krystal Huffman.

Cypress did not fold stringing together hits and executing offensively to get on the board for three runs in the bottom of the second. Siskiyous threatened to extend its lead again in the top of the third. With the bases loaded and two outs, Charger catcher Amanda Fama faked a bad pickoff throw to first and tagged the Eagles runner coming home from third to end the Siskiyous scoring threat.

The Charger offense took off from there taking advantage of Siskiyous errors to score five runs in the third to take the lead 8-4. A two run homerun by Fama in the fourth added to six runs in the inning to give Cypress a commanding 14-4 lead.

Cypress needed to maintain at least an eight run lead in the top of the fifth to end the game on the mercy rule. Sophomore first baseman Janelle Cromie hit a two-run homerun for Siskiyous to cut the lead to eight but could not get any closer as Cypress ended the game early after four-and-a-half.

Sophomore starter Alyssa Freight earned the win for Cypress striking out four in 4.1 innings to improve to 13-2. Sophomore starter Jordyn Brown suffered the loss for Siskiyous allowing three earned runs in two innings.

Cypress (40-6) will take on arch-rival Mt. Sac tomorrow at 5:30 pm in the semi-finals. Mt. Sac defeated Cosumnes River 12-0 earlier today. Siskiyous (28-12), who is looking for its first State Championship will take on Cosumnes for the first time this year in the loser's bracket. They will play at 3:00 pm tomorrow.