

Championship Game

Championship day began at high-noon for Cypress College and defending state champ Mt. San Antonio at Bakersfield College Sunday. Cypress came in to take the lead and hold on despite a strong Mountie comeback to win its record sixth State Championship 7-6. This is Cypress's first State Championship since 2006 and also head coach Brad Pickler's sixth state championship.

Cypress took an early lead with a solo homerun by sophomore catcher Amanda Fama. Fama repeated with another solo homerun in the third for a 2-0 lead. Cypress extended its lead in the fifth with a bases loaded hit batter and a wild pitch for a 4-0 lead.

Mt. Sac began its comeback from there hammering four hits for four runs highlighted by a double by freshman left fielder Maurichelle Torres and erasing the lead to tie it up 4-4. Cypress jumped ahead in the sixth with an RBI single by freshman third baseman Nicole Nobbe and a two RBI single by sophomore first baseman Vanessa Alvarado for a three run lead.

Mt. Sac had its last shot in the bottom of the seventh and took full advantage leading off with four straight hits including RBI singles by freshman second baseman Cya Santos and freshman catcher Tarra Smith. With two runners in scoring position and just one out, sophomore pitcher Amanda Freight shut down the Mounties for the final outs and securing the win.

Freight finishes the season 15-2 after pitching the final 2.2 innings for Cypress. Sophomore starter Katrina Pinkowski started for the Chargers striking out three and allowing two earned runs. Sophomore pitcher Carissa Bronson suffered the loss for Mt. Sac falling to 6-5. Freshman starter Alyssa Limon started the first 4.1 innings striking out four.

Mt. Sac finishes its season 38-13 as the State Runner-Up and has four state championships under its belt. Cypress College finishes its season 42-6 as the six-time State Champion and Orange Empire Conference Champion.

2010 State Championship All-Tournament Team

Most Valuable Player – Amanda Fama –Cypress College

Most Valuable Pitcher – Alyssa Freight – Cypress College

Best Hitter – Crystal Venegas – Mt. San Antonio College

Gold Glove – Samantha Slonkier – Mt. San Antonio College

Pitcher – Alexa Limon – Mt. San Antonio College

Infielder – Janelle Wisdom – Cosumnes River College

Infielder – Krystal Huffman – College of the Siskiyous

Infielder – Vanessa Alvarado – Cypress College

Outfielder – Melissa Cascio – Cypress College

Outfielder – Marilyn Toriz – Cypress College

Outfielder – Morgan Suito – Cosumnes River College

Designated Player – Heather Harrison – Mt. San Antonio College