

## Holyoke locks up No. 2 seed with sweep of Wray

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**Members of the Holyoke team congratulate Jaydin Goldenstein after he hit a three-run home run in the final inning of game one against Wray Saturday, May 1. The Dragons won both games of the doubleheader against the Eagles and earned the No. 2 seed in the district tournament.□□**

**—Enterprise photo**

Holyoke earned the No. 2 seed in the district tournament after winning two must win games over Wray Saturday, May 1.

The Dragons needed to win both games against the Eagles in order to lock up the second seed and a first-round bye.

The two victories move the Dragons' regular season record to 11-6 heading into the postseason.

“The boys knew we had to come away with two wins in order to secure the two seed in districts and I am proud of them for fighting to the end,” coach Kyle Bules said.

### **Holyoke 5, Wray 2**

Jaydin Goldenstein pitched a complete game giving up two earned runs, four hits, three walks and earning eight strikeouts.

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It was a low scoring game much of the way until the Dragon bats got hot in the final inning.

The Eagles managed one run in the bottom of the second to take the 1-0 lead. The Dragons answered in the third scoring one of their own.

Wray scored one run in the sixth off a home run to take the slim 2-1 lead into the final inning of play.

The Dragons got a hit out of Francisco Diaz who belted a double to the fence. The Eagles intentionally walked Logan Krueger which brought Brian DeBoer to the plate who bunted and scored Diaz. Goldenstein stepped to the plate and blasted a three-run home run over the fence giving Holyoke the 5-2 lead.

“We played pretty well,” coach Bules said. “We struggled a little with the bats only hitting .281 in the first game.”

Goldenstein went three for three from the plate with a double, home run, one run and three RBI.

## **Holyoke 10, Wray 5**

A slow start turned into many runs in the final innings of the second game at Wray. Not a run was scored by either team in the first three innings. Wray got on the board first scoring four in the bottom of the fourth.

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The Dragons found themselves finishing the fifth inning without a run on the board and down by four runs.

Heading into the sixth, Holyoke knew they needed to get on the board to give themselves a chance and that is exactly what they did. Three runs were scored to bring the score within one run.

Wray brought in a closing pitcher in the final inning and the Dragons beat him up for seven runs to take the 10-4 lead. The Eagles scored one in the bottom of the inning but it wasn't enough as the Dragons took the 10-5 victory.

Krueger finished four for five from the plate with a double, one run and two RBI. Deyten Klein went three for three with a double, two runs and three RBI.

Krueger also pitched a complete game giving up one earned run, five hits, seven walks and earning nine strikeouts.

"This is a very tough league and anyone can win," the coach said. "We need to play solid defense understand the situation at all times and execute all aspects of the game."

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