



GREIMAN COMMITTS TO TOP SCHOLARSHIP AT OTERO

"Baseball is a red-blooded sport for red-blooded men. It's a struggle for supremacy, a survival of the fittest. Baseball is not unlike war." -- Ty Cobb

State Championship pileups commence with the catcher picking up the pitcher and dropping him to the ground as they're engulfed by teammates. Everyone knows this, especially Lane Greiman, who has already been a part of 5 of these season-ending pileups, including one in each of the past 4 summers.

However when Greiman delivered the final pitch to win the 2014 Legion A Varsity State Championship, it was instead the 190-pound catcher in full gear that was knocked to the ground by the 150-pound winning pitcher Greiman.

Clearly Greiman insists on being at the top in everything that he does. He follows one of the Reds' greatest legends, '04 graduate and 5-time State Champion Dusty Dominguez, in that insistence of winning every time he takes the mound. When times are tough, and battles are at the critical stage, Greiman insists on having the ball in his hand to determine the result.

Lane Greiman has just committed to a top scholarship at Otero, a baseball program that defeated league champion Lamar to reach the Regional Championship last year.

Throughout his career, Greiman has performed his best when it mattered most, from completing a triple play to turn the momentum in his first State Championship Game victory as an incoming freshman in Legion D, fast forwarded all the way to most recently nailing down the Legion A Varsity State Championship entering in relief and dominating the final 3 innings by allowing no hits, no walks, and striking out three, including the game's final two batters.

"Lane has the best body language on the planet out there," Coach Danley said. "It's a fight with him, and he's not backing up from anybody. He's going to give you his best stuff and dare you to hit it out of here. ... He has that warrior attitude that inspires the rest of the club."

Greiman did the same job in relief in the 2013 Legion A Varsity State Championship Game, earning that come-from-behind victory in relief, completing a remarkable 42-0 record for the Reds that summer.

Reds' youth players know Lane as not only one of their heroes in Pinstripes, but as a really nice guy that spends each weekday in the summers instructing them on baseball skills, as Lane has run Eaton's morning league the past two summers. Lane's opponents likely have a very different memory of their time on the field with Lane, and that is expected to continue into college as Greiman follows another Reds' legend, Dusty Dominguez, to pitch at Otero. Nearly a decade after the final pitch he threw at Otero, Dominguez is still featured in marketing materials at Otero and featured atop their schedule on Otero's website – clearly Greiman will be gunning to take over that top spot as well.