## **University of Rhode Island**



Season Ends For Rams With Loss To Little Rock

Baseball

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Rhode Island Starters (38-22)

DePino (3B), Genther (RF), Moroney (SS), Hopko (DH), Perron (1B), Notarangelo (LF), Penney (2B), Butler (C), McKenzie (CF), Urena (P)

## Little Rock Starters (25-33)

Seguine (SS), Henry (CF), Geck (DH), Rhoades (3B), Martin (C), Chaplain (2B), Cano (1B), Harris (RF), Willbanks (LF), Cline (P)

## How it Happened

Rhode Island's season came to an end as the Rams could not keep up with Little Rock, falling 22-10 in an elimination game at the Baton Rouge Regional of the 2025 NCAA Baseball Championship Saturday.

URI was forced to play from behind throughout the game, as the Spartans jumped out early with a five-run second inning. Rhody responded with three runs in the bottom of the frame, thanks to a two-run homer by <u>Nic Notarangelo</u> and a run-scoring single by <u>Brody McKenzie</u>.

The lead was pushed back to five after Little Rock scored three times in the top of the fourth. Rhody responded again, using three singles, three walks and wild pitch to piece together a four-run rally. <u>DJ Perron's</u> two-run single drove in <u>Jack Hopko</u> and <u>Eric Genther</u> to pull URI within 8-7.

That was as close as the score got. Little Rock padded its lead with two runs in both the fifth and sixth and three runs in the seventh before icing the game with a sevenrun ninth inning.

## **Inside the Box Score**

- Little Rock outhit Rhode Island 20-13. It was the second 20-hit game for the Spartans this season.
- The 22 runs were the second most scored by the Spartans this season. They entered Saturday averaging 5.7 runs per game.
- Little Rock scored at least two runs in six of its nine turns at bat.
- Eric Genther singled three times, walked, was hit by a pitch and scored two runs.
- <u>Scott Penney</u> doubled, tripled and scored two runs.
- Nic Notarangelo hit a two-run home run and walked.
- Jack Hopko homered, walked twice, scored twice and had three RBI.
- He finished the season with a program-record 83 RBI.
- Rob Butler singled twice, walked and scored one run.
- <u>DJ Perron</u> singled twice, walked and drove in two runs.
- Brody McKenzie singled, walked and had one RBI.
- Anthony DePino walked and scored once.
  The game took four hours and 22 minutes to complete.

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