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Roadrunners Baseball Update

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Gloucester County College, the defending National Champions, have rebounded after a slow start to put themselves back on track on their goal of winning their seventh NJCAA Division III National Baseball Championship. The Roadrunners are currently 13-9 overall with a 7-1 record in Region XIX play. GCC is part of Region XIX which involves eleven junior colleges in New Jersey and southeastern Pennsylvania. The winner of the Region XIX tournament will advance to the NJCAA Division III World Series to be played from May 21-29 in Tyler, Texas. The team is now in the midst of a difficult part of their schedule by playing eleven games in just eight days.



The Roadrunners warm up for a game on one of the rare good weather days this spring.

The Roadrunners who returned only three players who saw significant time with last year's team have shown steady improvement in all facets of the game. Matt Spillman, Andy Sullivan, Bob Applegate, and Wade Geis have moved into the starting rotation. Osiris Garcia, Franklin Cruz, Donnie Haines, Reno Regalbuto, Mike Bates, and Casey McMickle are available for spot starting and relief. The catching duties are in the capable hands of Matt Cuervo and the versatile Brett Burdsall, who also sees time at second base and the outfield. The infield is led by returning starters Logan Morello, the 2010 World Series MVP, at third and Ronny Tanner at second. A trio of newcomers, Kevin Needham, Eric Barbieri, and Jim Hanson are in the mix at first base. A trio of talented players, Dan Lang, Eric Linares, and Jose Diaz, are fighting for the shortstop position. The outfield is patrolled by Sean Feeney, John Garozzo, Brandon Porter, Eric Sellito, and Mike Bates.

The team receives outstanding coaching from Head Coach Mike Dickson, 211-59 in his sixth season at the helm at GCC, pitching coach Josh Schwartz,, and assistant coach Nick Speakman.

Gloucester County College will host the Region XIX finals on Friday May 6 through Sunday, May 8.

