

LSU Shreveport goes 59-0 as first unbeaten college baseball champion

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LSU Shreveport became the first college baseball team on record to go unbeaten, finishing 59-0 when it won the NAIA championship in Lewiston, Idaho.

The Pilots' perfect season ended with a 13-7 victory over Southeastern (Florida) on Friday night and gave the 10,000-student school in northwest Louisiana its first national title in any sport.

For 25 years LSU Shreveport has been one of the top programs in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics, which governs sports at 241 mostly small colleges across the country.

The Pilots have appeared in the NAIA national tournament every year since 2005 and the NAIA World Series in 2021, 2022 and 2025. They're 270-49 in six seasons under coach Brad Neffendorf, including 142-13 in Red River Athletic

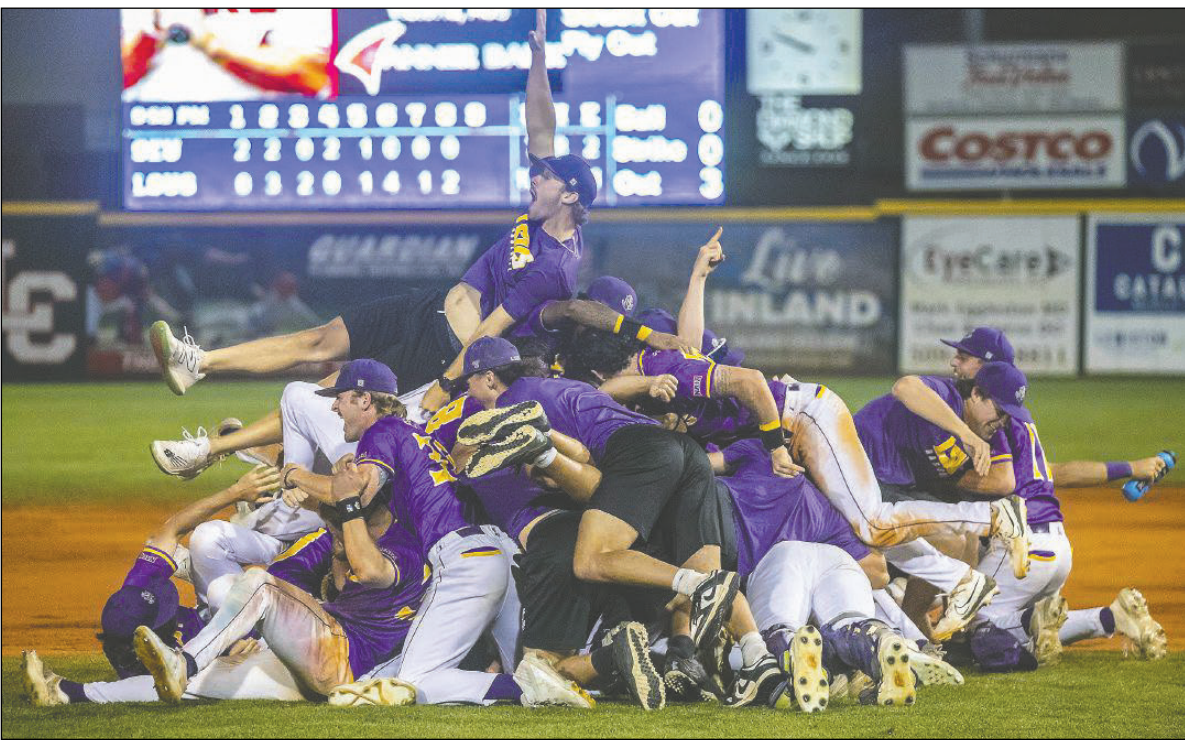
Conference play.

LSU Shreveport played only four games decided by one run this season, ranked second in the NAIA with 11.3 runs per game and third with a .361 batting average. The Pilots' 2.38 ERA was more than a run better than the next-closest team, and they led the nation with a .982 fielding percentage.

Josh Gibson, at .436, was one of three players on the team to bat better than .400, and Isaac Rohde struck out an NAIA-leading 146 and had a 2.09 ERA while going 16-0.

The Pilots broke the NAIA-record winning percentage of .935, set when Mount Vernon Nazarene (Ohio) went 43-3 in 1996.

The NCAA top single-season winning percentages are .914 by Arizona State (64-6 in 1972) in Division I, .939 by Savannah State of Georgia (46-3 in 2000) in Division II and .978 by Trinity of Connecticut (45-1 in 2008) in Division III.



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LSU Shreveport celebrates after defeating Southeastern of Florida to win the championship game of the NAIA World Series college baseball game, May 30, at Harris Field in Lewiston, Idaho.

FIFA Club World Cup: start date and teams in soccer's new-look tournament

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FIFA's newly expanded Club World Cup kicks off in Miami on June 14, featuring some of soccer's biggest stars like Lionel Messi and greatest teams like Real Madrid. But the launch of the new-look tournament, staged in the United States, also comes with uncertainty over how it will be embraced in an already bloated calendar where soccer is played virtually year-round.

This is world governing body FIFA's big play to get a stronghold in the club game. Until now, club soccer's marquee events have been regional competitions such as the prestigious Champions League, which is organized by European soccer body UEFA.

FIFA hopes the four-yearly event will be to club soccer what the World Cup is to international soccer and establish itself as one of the



AP Photo/Dave Shopland

Manchester City players celebrate after Manchester City's Erling Haaland, center, scored his side's second goal during the English Premier League soccer match between Fulham and Manchester City at Craven Cottage, London, May 25

biggest and wealthiest tournaments in sport.

But that is far from assured amid a backlash from players over fear of burnout and it is still unknown how much appetite there is among fans for another competition.

Here is what to know about the Club World Cup.

WHEN IS THE CLUB WORLD CUP?

Inter Miami plays Al Ahly at the Hard Rock Stadium in the opening game on June 14. The final is July 13 at MetLife Stadium in New Jersey.

WHAT IS THE FORMAT?

The Club World Cup has

been expanded from seven teams to 32 and will emulate the men's and women's World Cups. Eight groups of four teams will play in a round robin mini league, with the top two advancing to a knockout stage, which runs from the round of 16 through to the final.

WHERE IS IT BEING PLAYED?

Staged in the United States, host cities include Atlanta, Cincinnati, Charlotte, Los Angeles, Miami, Nashville, New York/New Jersey, Orlando, Philadelphia, Seattle and Washington, D.C.


WHICH TEAMS HAVE QUALIFIED?

Some of Europe's biggest teams will take part, including Real Madrid, Manchester City, Bayern Munich, Juventus, this year's Champions League winner Paris Saint-Germain and runner-up Inter Milan.

From South America, top Brazilian clubs Fluminense, Flamengo, Palmeiras and Botafogo — all recent winners of Copa Libertadores, South America's top clup competition — will participate, while River Plate and Boca Juniors will represent Argentina.

Inter Miami, Seattle Sounders and LAFC lead the U.S. charge. Mexico is represented by Monterrey and Pachuca, while top teams from Asia, Africa and the Oceania are also taking part.

Notable absentees include European giants Barcelona, Liverpool and Manchester United, who failed to meet FIFA's convoluted qualifying criteria based on winning continental titles like the Champions League over the previous four years and ranking points. Countries are also limited to two entrants unless they have more than two winners of continental titles.



LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE TO HENRY COUNTY TAXPAYERS

Shanda E. Archer, Henry County Clerk pursuant to KRS 424.130, announces that the 2024 Delinquent Real Property Tax Bills (Certificates of Delinquency) **Including the property owner Name**, will be published in the Henry County Local on Wednesday, June 18, 2025.

The list of 2024 Certificates of Delinquency is also available for public inspection Monday-Friday during the hours of 8:00AM-12:00PM and 1:00PM-4:00PM, in the office of the Henry County Clerk. Henry County Clerk’s Office is located at 27 South Property Road, New Castle, KY 40050.

This list may also be inspected on the Software Management LLC Website. The Uniform Resource Locator (URL) of the website is **henrycountyclerk.us/delinquent-taxes/**

The 2024 tax sale will be held on Wednesday, July 23, 2025, beginning at 10:00AM. All interested participants must register with the Henry County Clerk’s Office by the close of business on Friday, July 11, 2025, deadline is at 4:00PM.

Please contact the County Clerk’s office if you need additional information about the tax sale registration process, the required registration fee or the deposit amount(s) that will be needed.

*****Taxpayers can continue to pay their delinquent tax bills to the County Clerk’s Office anytime prior to the tax sale, Prior to 9:00am, Wednesday, July 23, 2025.*****

PLEASE NOTE: ALL PAYMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE HENRY COUNTY CLERK’S OFFICE PRIOR TO THE TAX SALE DATE LISTED IN THIS ADVERTISEMENT. PAYMENTS RECEIVED AFTER THE TAX SALE HAS BEEN CONDUCTED WILL BE RETURNED WITHOUT EXCEPTION.

Some delinquencies - although advertised – will be excluded from the tax sale per KRS 134.504(10)(b). If you have any questions, please contact the Henry County Clerk’s Office at: **1(502)845-5705 ext. 2.**