

Deweese, Normand headline All-District 3-1A team for Tigers

NATCHITOCHES, La. - The St. Mary's Tigers' baseball team got nine players select to the All-District 3-1A team including district MVP Braylon Normand while head coach Marty Dewees was named District Coach of the Year.

Deweese, in his second year as Tigers' head coach, guided the team to the District 3-1A title (20-13, 8-0 in 3-1A).

Normand, a junior, hit .522 in district play with a .621 on-base percentage while stealing 14 bags of his 19 bags in district. The Tigers' second baseman also had a 1.000 fielding percentage and scored 17 runs.

Seven others made first team for the Tigers including seniors Payne Williams, Preston Martinez, Nathan Slaughter and Ayden Warren, juniors Conor Jordan and Ryan LaCaze and sophomore Trey Scarborough. Sophomore A.J. Lavespere earned second team honors.

Williams, a first baseman and pitcher, hit .394 and .591 in district games with one homer and 25 RBIs and led the team being hit by nine pitches. He also had 19 stolen bases. He pitched 47 2/3 innings and had a 2.47 ERA.

Martinez, earned first team as an outfielder. The senior hit .364 (.391 in district play) with 25 RBIs while scoring 21 runs.

Slaughter, a third baseman, hit .306 (.391 in district) with 21 RBIs and swiped 16 bases. He also pitched 22 innings for the Tigers.

Warren, the Tigers' shortstop, had a .329 batting average (.414 in district) with 15 RBIS and 15 stolen bases.

Jordan, the SMH catcher, led the team in season batting average (.478), hits (44), doubles (13) and RBIS (30). The junior also hit .560 in district play.

LaCaze, a junior outfielder, batted .326 (.391 in district) with 15 RBI and 32 runs scored. He also had a team-high of 25 stolen bases.

Scarborough made the first team as a pitcher. The Tigers' sophomore had a dominant 1.51 ERA throwing 49 2/3 innings allowing just 11 earned runs.

Lavespere, the sophomore outfielder, stole 13 bases and had a .347 on-base percentage.