

## EAGLES *BASEBALL* DIAMOND NEWS

Eagles run rule over

Del Rio 13 to 2

**Finish tied for 2<sup>nd</sup> place in District**

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The playoff bound Eagle Pass Eagles varsity baseball team mentored by head coach Reynol Mendoza who are currently tied for second place in the district race along with Laredo Alexander ventured to Del Rio, Texas on Tuesday, April 23, 2017 to conclude their respective 2019 District 29-6A schedule with a vital 7:00 PM encounter against their longtime nemesis the Del Rio Rams with playoff seeding purposes riding on the line.

In the top half of the first inning the visiting Eagles came out swing as they erupted with a five run production as they feasted on the Del Rio starting pitcher for six base hits in that frame. Re

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y Rey Mendoza led off the game with a double, with one out Braulio Rodriguez blasted a two run homerun tallying courtesy runner Kevin Ochoa ahead of him, Victory Perry followed with a single and Hector Montoya connected with a double, with two outs Edward Mendoza stroked an RBI single to drive in Victor Perry, David Lopez came through with a two RBI single to bring home both Hector Montoya and Edward Mendoza.

In the bottom of the first the home standing Rams countered with what proved to be their only two runs of this game courtesy of one base hit and two Eagle Pass errors but that would prove to be the only damage they would muster in this game as Eagles starting and eventual game winning hurler Rey Rey Mendoza was dominant on the mound allowing just one base hit and recording eight strikeouts in four complete innings of work. The Eagles hitting and scoring parade continued in the top of the second as they extended their lead with a four run output with Braulio Rodriguez connecting with a two single, Victor Perry was hit by a pitch and Hector Montoya followed with a single to load the bases, the Rams pitcher then uncorked a wild pitch enabling Braulio Rodriguez to score on the play with Victor Perry and Hector Montoya advancing to third and second respectively, Eagles catcher Orly Garza came through with a two RBI single to bring home Victor Perry and Hector Montoya, Edward Mendoza followed with an **RBI** single to drive in courtesy runner Orly Martinez to give the Eagles a comfortable 9 to 2 lead,

The Eagles then tacked on a lone run in the top of the third with Rey Rey Mendoza leading off the frame with a single, courtesy runner Kevin Ochoa then stole second, Isaac Gonzalez followed with a double but courtesy runner Kevin Ochoa only managed to advance to third on the play, pinch hitter CJ Jimenez came through with an RBI single to drive in Kevin Ochoa to give the Eagles a 10 to 2 lead over the Rams.

In the top of the fifth the Eagles brought an early conclusion to this game with a three run outburst to seal the victory with Jacob Ruiz lead off the frame with a double and promptly

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stealing third, Reye Rey Mendoza drew a walk and courtesy runner Kevin Ochoa stole second, The Rams relief pitcher unleashed a wild pitch allowing Jacob Ruiz to score from third and Kevin Ochoa scampered over to third on the play, Isaac Gonzalez followed with an RBI double to drive in Kevin Ochoa, CJ Jimenez was hit by a pitch. With one out pinch hitter Kevin Ochoa belted an RBI single to bring home Isaac Gonzalez with the 13<sup>th</sup> run of the game for the Eagles and thus enforcing the 10-run.

With the game well in hand the Eagles coaching staff brought in Roly Riza from the bullpen to seal the victory in the bottom of the fifth who allowed one base hit but got the next three batters out via a strike out, a fly ball to center and a pop up to the first baseman to give the Eagles the well earned 13 to 2 victory over the Del Rio Rams. The victory improves the Eagles overall season record to 15 wins with 10 losses and one tie and also gives the Eagles a district mark of 9-3 which gives the Eagles a tie for 2<sup>nd</sup> place along with the Laredo Alexander Bulldogs also sporting a district record of 9-3.

Therefore the Eagles and Bulldogs will have a one game tie-breaker this coming Friday, April 26, 2019 in a 6:00 PM matchup at Somerset, Texas to determine who will draw the number 2 and number 3 seed for the upcoming post season playoffs. Eagle Pass Sports Central wishes the Mighty Eagle Pass Eagles the very best of luck in your tie-breaker game against the Laredo Alexander Bulldogs and invites the Loyal Legion of Eagles followers as well as the entire community of Eagle Pass, Texas to make the trip to Somerset, Texas and support the Eagles. GO EAGLES!  
BEAT THE  
BULLDOGS!

**Score by Innings: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 R H E**

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**EAGLE PASS EAGLES** 5 4 1 0 3 x x **13 16 2**

**DEL RIO RAMS** 2 0 0 0 0 x x **2 2 1**

**Winning Pitcher:** Rey Rey Mendoza **Leading Hitters:** Braulio Rodriguez 2 for 2 with 2 runs scored and 2 RBI's courtesy of a two run home run, Edward Mendoza 2 for 3 with 1 run scored and 2 RBI's, Hector Montoya 2 for 3 with 2 runs scored, Rey Rey Mendoza 2 for 3, CJ Jimenez 1 for 1 with 1 run scored and 1 RBI, Kevin Ochoa 1 for 1 with 3 runs scored and 1 RBI, Orly Garza 1 for 3 with 2 RBI's, David Lopez 1 for 3 with 2 RBI's, Victor Perry 1 for 3 with 2 runs scored, Jacob Ruiz 1 for 3 with 1 run scored, Isaac Gonzalez 2 for 4 with 1 run scored and 1 RBI and Orly Martinez 1 run scored.