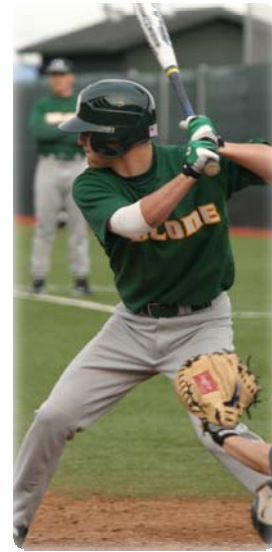


# Ohlone Drops Game 2 of Fresno Tournament

*Renegades were outscored 9-2 in Merced*

**Merced, CA** – Game 2 of the Fresno-Merced Tournament had Ohlone playing Merced College against the Blue-devil's on Friday night. Coming off the momentum of an 8-4 win over Porterville College, Ohlone got things going in the 1<sup>st</sup> inning when Michael Vandebusch got a 1B and then stole second base for the Renegades. Clean-up hitter Braxton Miller followed that up with a single of his own putting runners at 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. Ohlone was unable to push any runs across. Merced starting pitcher Brian Gilbertson held the Ohlone offense until the 5<sup>th</sup> inning when second baseman Matt Langseth came up with a 1 out single to right field that scored Aaron Plimmer, and Aaron Chavez, and cutting the score 8-2. That was all the runs that Ohlone would get as Merced plated one more run in the bottom of the 7<sup>th</sup> inning to secure a Merced win.



**Matt Langseth went 2-4, 2-RBI**

Ohlone starting pitcher Joe Gardner (0-1) pitched 5 innings, but never seemed to get in a solid rhythm. A bright spot on the mound was relievers Jeff Lusk, and Daniel Buffington, who came in relief of Gardner and held the Merced offense to 1 run over 4 innings of work. Lusk struck out 2 batters in 1 inning, and Buffington gave up no hits in his first college appearance. "I was very pleased with our bull-pen stepping up, and giving us a chance to get back in that game," explained Head Coach Tom Kunis. "Lusk and Buff did a good job coming in and challenging hitters, that's all I can ask."

Other notables: Designated Hitter LA Idakoji collected 2 hits in his first college start, and lead-off hitter Aaron Plimmer also collected 2 hits and a run scored on the afternoon. Ohlone Returns to action tomorrow night as they face top ranked Fresno City College, in a re-match of last years 1<sup>st</sup> round regional matchup. Game time is set for 3pm at John Eules field. Projected starters are RHP-Nick Colvin-Ohlone, and LHP-Bennett Whitmore- Fresno City.