

NCHSAA STATE SOFTBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS POSTPONED

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The games scheduled for Friday, June 1, the first games in the best of three series in the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state softball championships, have been postponed. A storm and heavy rain hit the Walnut Creek Softball Complex on Friday afternoon. Game one in each of the four series is now scheduled for Saturday at 11 a.m, with the

second game at 2:30 p.m. on Saturday. If a third game is necessary, it would be scheduled for Sunday at 1 p.m.

NCHSAA 1-A BASEBALL OPENER POSTPONED

The opening game of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 1-A baseball championship series between Voyager Academy and South Stanly has been postponed. Game 1 will now be Saturday at 11 am with game 2 Saturday at 5 pm. A third game, if necessary, is slated for Sunday afternoon at 1 pm. Tickets purchased for today's 1-A game will be good for admission to the Saturday game at 11 am. As of right now, the 4-A baseball series opener between Middle Creek and Hough is scheduled for an 8 pm start.

WEDDINGTON HOLDS OFF AYCOCK RALLY 5-3 IN 3-A GAME ONE

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Weddington built up a lead and then held off a furious last-inning rally by Pikeville Charles B. Aycock to score a 5-3 victory on Friday night in the first game of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 3-A baseball championship series at Five County Stadium. Alex Bostic shut out the Golden Falcons into the seventh in impressive fashion, but Aycock rallied in its last at-bat. Bostic moved his record to 11-0 on the season and yielded only two hits, but he walked eight and struck out eight in his six-plus innings of work.

Down 5-0, the Golden Falcons scored three runs in the seventh on a two-run double by Blake Sutton and a sacrifice fly by Collin Dubose, but David Pope of the Warriors came on to get the save. Weddington scored two in the bottom of the third to open the scoring and then added three in the fourth, with Sean Collins ripping a triple that scored one run.

Chris Simpson was a perfect three for three on the day for Weddington in the Warriors' nine-hit attack, the only player in the game with more than one hit. Seven of the nine hitters in the Weddington lineup hit safely. Dubose, who pitched the first four innings for Aycock, was charged with the loss, giving up six hits and five runs, but only two runs were unearned. Weddington, in its first NCHSAA baseball championship series, is now 27-6 overall while Aycock fell to 21-10. Game two of the best-of-three is set for Saturday morning at eleven o'clock.