

Jones Completes Coaching Staff

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According to PefectGame.org, Appalachian State University baseball coach Billy Jones isn't wasting any time. He finalized his coaching staff for the upcoming 2013 season on Monday. Chris Moore will stay on as an assistant coach; Moore will start his third season at ASU and his 10th year as a collegiate coach. He works primarily with the Mountaineers' infielders and hitters and serves as the club's third-base coach. He's also played a large role in ASU's recruiting efforts. Jones has also named Michael Rogers his new pitching coach. Rogers ran the Michael Rogers Baseball Academy in Bordentown, N.J. Rogers is a native of Hamilton, New Jersey. He attended Steinert High School from 1998-2001 where he won 3 state championships and was named the New Jersey Pitcher of the Year in 2000. He currently holds the record for most wins in Mercer County history and was named Pitcher of the Decade in 2010. He attend North Carolina State University from 2001-2004 where he was a starting pitcher for 3 years. While at NC State, Michael became a two-time All American and was also named National Pitcher of the Week in 2004. In June of 2004, Michael was drafted as the 49th overall pick of the Oakland Athletics. He played in the Oakland organization for 4 seasons. In 2008, he was a member of the Sussex Skyhawks of the Can-Am league and for the Rockford Riverhawks of the Frontier League in 2009. In 2009, Michael graduated from NC State University with a degree in Sport Management and in 2011, he was inducted into the Steinert High School Athletic Hall of Fame.

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