

Fourteen Mountaineers Playing Summer Baseball

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Fourteen Appalachian State University baseball student-athletes are participating in NCAA-sanctioned collegiate summer leagues across the nation this offseason. The Mountaineers playing summer ball stretch from New Hampshire to California and North Carolina to Alaska.

Four highly touted Mountaineers have traveled cross-country to participate in prestigious leagues on the west coast. Outfielder Jaylin Davis and infielder Dillon Dobson are with the Santa Barbara Foresters of the California Collegiate league and Dallas DeVrieze and Sean Mason are pitching for the Peninsula Oilers of the Alaska Baseball League.

Four more Mountaineers have taken their talents to New England. Three — outfielder/pitcher Brian Bauk (Brockton Rox), outfielder/pitcher Matt Brill (Seacoast Mavericks) and infielder Michael Pierson (Nashua Silver Knights) — are playing in the Futures Collegiate Baseball League while pitcher Robert Whaley is with the Ocean State Waves of the New England Collegiate Baseball League.

Catcher Zach Hummel has also gone north for the summer as a member of the Great Lakes Summer Collegiate League's Hamilton Joes.

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Closer to home, pitcher Caleb McCann (High Point-Thomasville HiToms), infielder/outfielder Bradley Morton (High Point-Thomasville HiToms), outfielder Tyler Stroup (High Point-Thomasville HiToms) and pitcher Taylor Thurber (Forest City Owls) are playing in the Coastal Plain League and outfielder Drake Zupcic (Morganton Militia) is playing in the All-American Collegiate Baseball League.

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