

**NHSBCA/Baseball America High School Baseball**  
**2014 Top 25 Rankings**  
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The state playoffs have been completed in some parts of the country and are in full swing in other regions, shaking up the rankings. But the previous No. 1 team in the country, Barbe High (Lake Charles, La.), remains in that spot in the latest Baseball America/National High School Baseball Coaches Association High School Top 25, sponsored by TeamSnap, on the strength of its 28-game winning streak after claiming the 5A Louisiana state championship.

Barbe, which produced a run differential of plus-277 while averaging nine runs a game, began the season ranked No. 6 in the preseason ranking and has bludgeoned opponents with one of the deepest lineups in the country on its way to a 39-2 record and second state title in three years.

Lambert High (Suwanee, Ga.) moved into up to third from its previous spot of seventh. Lambert has lost only one game this season and defeated Parkview on Monday night to advance to the Georgia 6A championship game. Lefthanded-hitting outfielder Seth Beer is one of the headlining players for Lambert and is one of the more advanced sophomores in the country. The Longhorns have a run differential of plus-238 while averaging more than nine runs a game this season. Lambert will face defending state champ Milton (Ga.) High on Saturday. The Milton Eagles, ranked No. 5 in the preseason ranking, stumbled in the early part of the season while missing ace righthander Dylan Cease, sitting with a 12-7 record after their first 19 games. Milton, led by a six seniors committed to D-1 schools, has won 13 consecutive games.

South Dade High (Homestead, Fla.) is the biggest riser in the rankings, moving from unranked to No. 9 after winning the 8A state title in Florida, the first in program history. The Buccaneers also won the state title in football and wrestling this year. South Dade played its best baseball down the stretch after sitting at 18-7 entering May. Senior righthander Erik Manoah Jr. carried the pitching staff with 24 innings in the state playoffs, striking out 25. A day after throwing a reported 117 pitches in a complete game effort, Manoah returned to get four outs in relief in the state title game. Manoah, a Florida International commit, is a strong-bodied righthander who pitched with an average fastball on the showcase circuit to go with pitchability and at least an average curveball.

After moving back into the top 25 last week at No. 17, Rancho Bernardo High (San Diego) has continued to move up the rankings, landing at No. 10.

Stillwater (Okla.) High has bounced back and forth from in the top 25 to out a few times this season, but moved back in after defeating previously ranked Jenks (Okla.) High to win the 6A state championship, its first state title in 57 years. Stillwater also won state titles in swimming and wrestling this season. The top 2014 draft prospect on Stillwater is outfielder Jon Littell, a big-bodied athlete with a well-rounded set of tools.

The last eight spots in the ranking belong to teams that are new to the top 25 and have advanced deep into their state playoffs or have had strong pushes to the end of their regular season slate.

<b>#</b>	<b><i>School-City-State</i></b>	<b><i>Record</i></b>	<b><i>Rank Previously</i></b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Barbe HS, Lake Charles, LA*</b>	<b>39-2</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>St. Francis HS, Mountain View, CA</b>	<b>25-4</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>Lambert HS, Suwanee, GA</b>	<b>32-1</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>Hamilton HS, Chandler, AZ</b>	<b>29-3</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>Carroll HS, Corpus Christi, TX</b>	<b>33-3</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>Clovis HS, CA</b>	<b>31-5</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>Parkview HS, Lilburn, GA</b>	<b>28-5</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>Cleburne HS, TX</b>	<b>28-4</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>9</b>	<b>South Dade HS, Homestead, FL*</b>	<b>25-7</b>	<b>NR</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>Rancho Bernardo HS, San Diego, CA</b>	<b>25-7</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>11</b>	<b>American HS, Hialeah, FL*</b>	<b>27-7</b>	<b>NR</b>
<b>12</b>	<b>Huntington Beach HS, CA</b>	<b>21-4</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>13</b>	<b>Stillwater HS, OK*</b>	<b>32-3</b>	<b>NR</b>
<b>14</b>	<b>Christian Brothers HS, Memphis, TN</b>	<b>32-6</b>	<b>12</b>

<b>15</b>	<b>Cosby HS, Midlothian, VA</b>	<b>16-0</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>16</b>	<b>Walsh Jesuit HS, Cuyahoga Falls, OH</b>	<b>22-0</b>	<b>NR</b>
<b>17</b>	<b>Birmingham Brother Rice HS, Bloomfield Hills, MI*</b>	<b>28-2</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>18</b>	<b>Creekside HS, St. Johns, FL</b>	<b>28-4</b>	<b>NR</b>
<b>19</b>	<b>Greenway HS, Phoenix, AZ</b>	<b>28-4</b>	<b>NR</b>
<b>20</b>	<b>West Lauderdale HS, Collinsville, MS</b>	<b>31-2</b>	<b>NR</b>
<b>21</b>	<b>Great Oaks HS, Temecula, CA</b>	<b>21-6</b>	<b>NR</b>
<b>22</b>	<b>Reno HS, NV*</b>	<b>33-3</b>	<b>NR</b>
<b>23</b>	<b>Whitewater HS, Fayetteville, GA</b>	<b>29-5</b>	<b>NR</b>
<b>24</b>	<b>Puyallup HS, WA</b>	<b>24-0</b>	<b>NR</b>
<b>25</b>	<b>Bishop Eustace, Pennsauken, NJ</b>	<b>20-1</b>	<b>NR</b>

\*Season completed

**Dropped Teams from Top 25:** #2 Flanagan HS, Pembroke Pines, FL; #3 San Antonio O'Connor HS, TX; #4 Archbishop McCarthy HS, SW Ranches, FL; #6 Moody HS, Corpus Christi, TX; #8 The First Academy HS, Orlando, FL; #11 Calallen HS, Corpus Christi, TX; #14 Horizon HS, Scottsdale, AZ; #16 Buchanan HS, Clovis, CA; #20 Clearwater Central Catholic HS, FL; #21 JSerra Catholic HS, San Juan Capistrano, CA; #25 Chaparral HS, Scottsdale, AZ

The staffs of *Baseball America* and the BCA compile the Top 25 rankings. In-season polls of the top 25 will be conducted every two weeks and released every other Tuesday throughout the season. The first in-season poll will be released on March 13 and the final poll will be released June 12 and will expand to 50 teams. Records indicated do not include ties.

**Other teams to watch:**

**Region 1** (CT MA ME NH NY RI VE)

*George Washington HS, Manhattan, NY (15-1)*

*James Monroe HS, Bronx, NY (16-0)*

*St. John's Prep HS, Danvers, MA (15-1)*

*Telecommunication HS, Bronx, NY (17-1)*

*Fairfield Prep HS, CT (14-2)*

*Bishop Hendricken HS, Warwick, RI (14-2)*

*Tottenville HS, Staten Island NY (17-1)*

*Newton North HS, MA (15-1)*

*Waterville HS, ME (9-0)*

*Messalonskee HS, Oakland, ME (10-0)*

*Dover HS, NH (10-2)*

**Region 3** (AL FL GA NC SC TN)

*North Florida Christian HS, Tallahassee, FL (26-4)*

*Audrey Kell HS, charlotte, NC (28-2)*

*Flanagan HS, Pembroke Pines, FL (23-2)*

*Archbishop McCarthy HS, SW Ranches, FL (28-3)*

*Providence HS, Charlotte, NC 24-4)*

**Region 2** (DC DE MD NJ PA VA WV)

*Pennsville Memorial HS, NJ (17-1)*

*Seton Hall Prep HS, West Orange, NJ (20-1)*

*Western Branch HS, Chesapeake, VA (16-2)*

*Hickory HS, Chesapeake, VA (11-1)*

*James Madison HS, Vienna, VA (17-2)*

*St. John's Collegiate HS, Washington, DC (21-5)*

*Jefferson HS, Shenandoah Jct, WV (17-0)*

*Douglas Freeman HS, Richman, VA (17-0)*

*St. Peter's Prep HS, New Jersey City, NJ (19-3)*

*St. Marks Catholic HS, Wilmington, DE (16-2)*

**Region 4** (IL IN KY MI OH WI)

*Bloom-Carroll HS, Carroll, OH (23-1)*

*Sterling Heights Stevenson HS, MI (23-1)*

*St. Laurence HS, Burbank, IL (26-4)*

*Archbishop Moeller HS, Cincinnati, OH (20-4)*

*West Jessamine HS, Nicholasville, KY (26-7)*

*Mount Carmel HS, IL (26-7)*

*Covington Catholic HS, KY (30-6)*

*Taylor County HS, KY (30-5)*

*Lakota West HS, OH (20-3)*

*Steubenville HS, OH (20-4)*

*Frontier HS, IN (20-4)*

*Andean HS, IN (320-20)*

**Region 5** (IA KS MN MO NE ND)

**Region 6** (AR LA MS OK TX)

*Lee's Summit West HS, MO (25-3)*  
*Blue Valley West HS, Stilwell, KS (16-4)*  
*Liberty North HS, MO (26-4)*  
*Bishop Carroll HS, KS (18-2)*  
*Omaha Westside HS, NE (30-3)*  
*Westminster Christian HS, St. Louis, MO (24-5)*  
*Goddard Eisenhower HS, KS (17-3)*  
*Nixa HS, MO (22-3)*  
*Liberty HS, KS (26-7)*  
*Manhattan HS, KS (18-2)*

**Region 7** (AZ CO ID NM NV UT)

*La Cueva HS, Albuquerque, NM (25-3)*  
*Chaparral HS, Scottsdale, AZ (28-6)*  
*Rocky Mountain HS, Fort Collins, CO (19-5)*  
*Liberty HS, Las Vegas, NV (27-5)*  
*Horizon HS, Scottsdale, AZ (27-7)*  
*Bishop Gorman HS, Las Vegas, NV (25-5)*  
*Nogales HS, AZ (30-9)*  
*Capital HS, Boise, ID (18-7)*  
*Sahuraro HS, Tucson, AZ (25-7)*  
*Chatfield HS, Littleton, CO (20-4)*  
*El Dorado HS, Albuquerque, NM (23-7)*  
*Columbine HS, Littleton, CO (19-4)*

*Fayetteville HS, AR (22-3)*  
*Pearland HS, TX (33-3)*  
*Southlake Carroll HS, TX (31-4)*  
*Live Oaks HS, Watson, LA (31-9)*  
*New Hope HS, Columbus, MS (30-3)*  
*Lake Travis HS, Austin, TX (33-3)*  
*Langham Creek HS, Houston, TX (27-6)*  
*Medina Valley HS, Castroville, TX (27-6)*  
*Bryant HS, AR (27-2)*  
*George Ranch HS, Houston, TX (29-7)*

**Region 8** (AK CA HI OR WA)

*JSerra Catholic HS, San Juan Capistrano, CA (19-7)*  
*Loyola HS, Los Angeles, CA (22-5)*  
*Buchanan HS, Clovis, CA (25-7)*  
*Elk Grove HS, CA (24-5)*  
*Fountain Valley HS, CA (19-7)*  
*Cathedral Catholic HS, San Diego, CA (21-4)*  
*Agoura HS, CA (23-5)*  
*Norco HS, CA (24-2)*  
*Pleasant Grove HS, Elk Grove, CA (21-5)*  
*Carter HS, Central Point, OR (21-4)*  
*Saint Louis HS, Honolulu, HI (21-7)*  
*Kennewick HS, WA (21-1)*