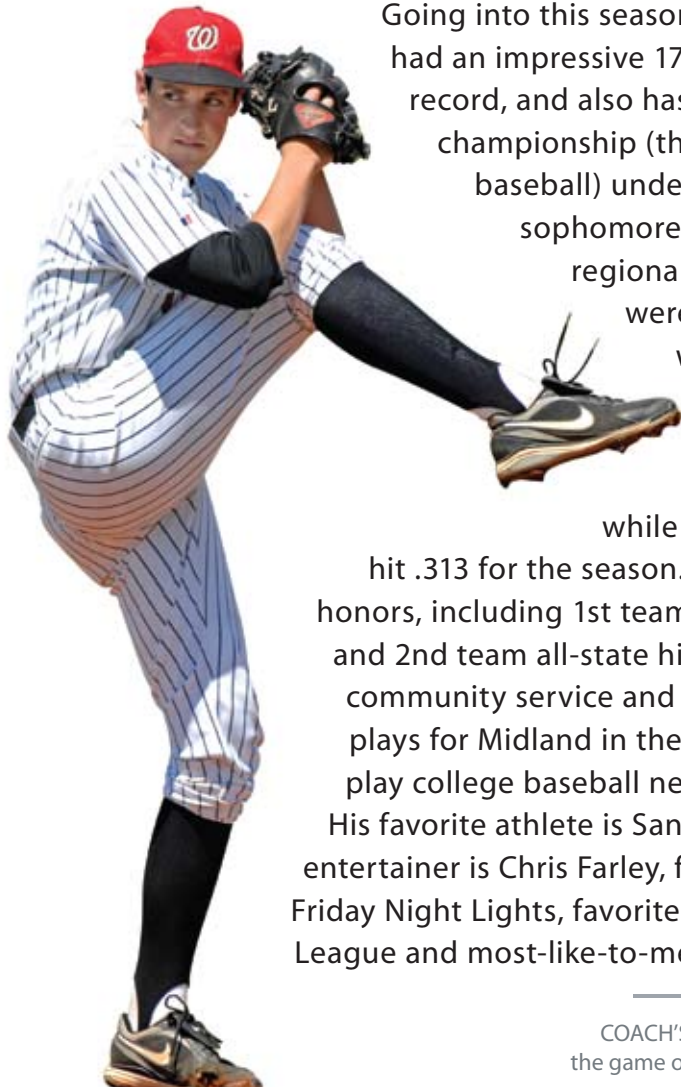
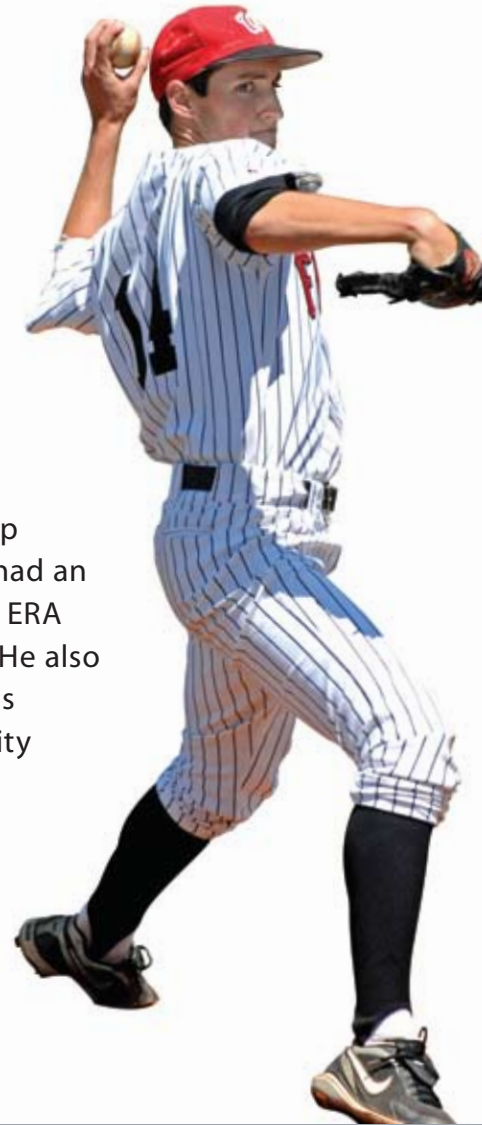


Nate Smith

Lakota West High School



Going into this season, this 3-year starter had an impressive 17-2 varsity pitching record, and also has an Ohio state championship (the school's 1st ever in baseball) under his belt from his sophomore year. Last season, the regional champion Firebirds were 26-2, and went all the way to the Ohio state semifinals. Nate put up great numbers -- he had an 11-1 record with a 2.43 ERA while notching 52 strikeouts. He also hit .313 for the season. Nate has won numerous honors, including 1st team all-GMC, 1st team all-city and 2nd team all-state his junior year. Active in community service and a good student, Nate plays for Midland in the summer, and he will play college baseball next season at Furman. His favorite athlete is Sandy Koufax, favorite entertainer is Chris Farley, favorite movie is Friday Night Lights, favorite book is The Last Best League and most-like-to-meet is President Obama.



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Lakota West High School

SPORT(S): Baseball

GRADUATING YEAR: 2009

BIRTHDATE: 8-28-91

HEIGHT/WEIGHT: 6'2"-180 lbs.

RESIDENCE: Lakota District

PARENTS: Jay & Barbara

BIGGEST INFLUENCE: "My parents, who showed me the importance and value of working hard."

FUTURE GOAL: "Graduate from Furman University"

COACH'S QUOTE -- "Nathan is very talented, but he is also one of the hardest workers I have had the pleasure of coaching. His passion for the game of baseball is outstanding. I have no doubt that he will have great success at Furman University." -- Bill Deisbach, Baseball Coach

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