

Mercer (25-10, 4-5 SoCon) -vs- Western Carolina (23-14, 6-3 SoCon)
4/12/2026 at Cullowhee, N.C. (Hennon Stadium)

Score by Innings	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R	H	E
Mercer	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	4	9	2
Western Carolina	1	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	X	5	7	1

Mercer 4

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	LOB
Logan Shepherd 1b	5	1	1	1	0	2	1
Chris Katz lf	3	1	1	0	1	0	0
Brant Baughcum 3b	4	0	0	0	0	0	0
Eli Stephens rf	4	0	2	1	0	1	0
Ethan Buffone pr/2b	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Titan Kamaka ss	3	1	2	0	1	1	0
Dylan LaPointe c	4	0	0	0	0	1	4
Braydon Kersey dh	4	1	2	1	0	0	0
Devyn McEachron 2b	2	0	1	0	0	0	0
Drew Johnson 2b/rf	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
Nathan Rowland cf	2	0	0	0	0	2	1
Greyson Gegg ph/cf	2	0	0	0	0	2	0
Jeb Johnson p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kai Decker p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Collin Ewaldsen p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jess Ackerman p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	34	4	9	3	3	9	6

2B: Chris Katz (1); Titan Kamaka (1)
HR: Logan Shepherd (1)
SB: Devyn McEachron (1)
E: Brant Baughcum (1); Titan Kamaka (1)
DP: 1

Western Carolina 5

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	LOB
Jackson Lyda ss	4	1	2	0	0	0	0
Trent Turner 2b	3	0	1	3	0	0	1
Walker Fox dh	1	1	0	1	2	0	0
Noah Quarless c	4	0	2	1	0	1	1
Mason Holton 3b	3	0	1	0	1	1	1
Jaylen Jones cf	4	0	0	0	0	0	4
Cole Jones lf	3	0	0	0	1	1	0
Brody Raleigh pr/lf	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Trey Spees 1b	2	1	0	0	2	0	0
Caden Haywood rf	4	2	1	0	0	1	0
Evan Myers p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
James Fordham p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kaden Fuller p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	28	5	7	5	6	4	7

2B: Trent Turner (1); Noah Quarless (1)
SF: Trent Turner (1); Walker Fox (1)
SB: Noah Quarless (1); Mason Holton (1)
CS: Jackson Lyda (1)
E: Noah Quarless (1)
DP: 2

Mercer	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	WP	BK	HBP	IBB	AB	BF	FO	GO	NP
Jeb Johnson (L, 2-2)	3.1	5	5	3	3	1	0	0	0	0	15	19	5	3	73
Kai Decker	2.2	1	0	0	2	2	1	0	0	0	8	11	3	3	47
Collin Ewaldsen	1.0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	3	3	0	1	6
Jess Ackerman	1.0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	3	1	1	12
Totals		7	5	3	6	4	1	0	0	0	28	36	9	8	138

Western Carolina	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	WP	BK	HBP	IBB	AB	BF	FO	GO	NP
Evan Myers	3.0	6	3	2	1	2	0	0	0	0	15	16	3	4	58
James Fordham (W, 3-2)	4.2	2	1	1	1	5	0	0	0	0	14	15	1	6	53
Kaden Fuller (S, 1)	1.1	1	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	5	6	1	1	30
Totals		9	4	3	3	9	0	0	0	0	34	37	5	11	141

Win: James Fordham (3-2)
Loss: Jeb Johnson (2-2)
Save: Kaden Fuller (1)
HBP: None
PB: None

Umpires: Home Plate: Andrew Craddock First: Kevin Spivey Third Base: Matthew Carnahan
Start: 1:05 pm **Time:** 2:45 **Attendance:** 623 **Weather:** Sunny, hot, breezy - low 80s

Game notes:

- Myers faced 1 batter in the 4th.
- Decker faced 1 batter in the 7th.

Play By Play

Mercer - Top of 1st	MER	WCU
Shepherd grounded out to 3b (2-2 SKBB).	0	0
Katz flied out to lf (0-0).	0	0
Baughcum flied out to cf (3-1 KBBB).	0	0
Runs: 0 Hits: 0 Errors: 0 Left On Base: 0		

Western Carolina - Bottom of 1st	MER	WCU
Lyda lined out to rf (1-0 B).	0	0
Turner grounded out to 3b (2-1 BBS).	0	0
Fox reached on a throwing error by ss (0-0).	0	0
Quarless doubled to center field, RBI (1-2 KSB); Fox scored, unearned.	0	1
Holton flied out to cf (1-0 B).	0	1
Runs: 1 Hits: 1 Errors: 1 Left On Base: 1		

Mercer - Top of 2nd	MER	WCU
Stephens struck out looking (2-2 BBKFK).	0	1
Kamaka doubled to right field (0-1 S).	0	1
LaPointe grounded out to 3b (1-2 SSBF); Kamaka advanced to third on the throw.	0	1
Kersey singled up the middle, RBI (2-2 BKBS); Kamaka scored.	1	1
McEachron singled to center field (2-1 BSB); Kersey advanced to third.	1	1
McEachron stole second; Kersey scored on a throwing error by c, unearned.	2	1
Rowland struck out swinging (1-2 FFBS).	2	1
Runs: 2 Hits: 3 Errors: 1 Left On Base: 1		

Western Carolina - Bottom of 2nd	MER	WCU
J. Jones flied out to rf to right center (2-2 BBFK).	2	1
Jones flied out to lf (0-1 K).	2	1
Spees grounded out to 2b (1-0 B).	2	1
Runs: 0 Hits: 0 Errors: 0 Left On Base: 0		

Mercer - Top of 3rd	MER	WCU
Shepherd homered to right center, RBI (1-2 BKK).	3	1
Katz lined out to 3b (2-1 BSB).	3	1
Baughcum grounded out to 3b (0-0).	3	1
Stephens singled to left field (0-1 S).	3	1
Kamaka walked (3-2 KBBBFB); Stephens advanced to second.	3	1
LaPointe grounded out to p (0-0).	3	1
Runs: 1 Hits: 2 Errors: 0 Left On Base: 2		

Western Carolina - Bottom of 3rd	MER	WCU
Haywood reached on a throwing error by 3b (1-2 KSB).	3	1
Lyda singled through the right side (3-2 BFSBB); Haywood advanced to third.	3	1
Turner flied out to cf, SAC, RBI (0-0); Haywood scored, unearned.	3	2
Lyda out at second c to ss, caught stealing.	3	2
Fox walked (3-2 KFFBBBB).	3	2
Quarless singled to left center (0-2 SFF); Fox advanced to third.	3	2
Quarless stole second.	3	2
Holton walked (3-2 FKBBFBBB).	3	2
J. Jones grounded out to 2b (2-1 BFB).	3	2
Runs: 1 Hits: 2 Errors: 1 Left On Base: 3		

Mercer - Top of 4th	MER	WCU
Kersey singled up the middle (1-1 FB).	3	2
Fordham to p for Myers.	3	2
McEachron grounded into double play 3b to 2b to 1b (1-1 BS); Kersey out on the play.	3	2
Rowland struck out swinging, out at first c to 1b (0-2 KSS).	3	2
Runs: 0 Hits: 1 Errors: 0 Left On Base: 0		

Western Carolina - Bottom of 4th	MER	WCU
JohnsonD to 2b for McEachron.	3	2
Jones struck out swinging (2-2 SBBSS).	3	2
Spees walked (3-2 BBBKFFB).	3	2
Haywood singled through the left side (0-0); Spees advanced to second.	3	2
Lyda singled through the right side (0-1 K); Haywood advanced to second; Spees advanced to third.	3	2
Decker to p for JohnsonJ.	3	2
Turner doubled to left field, 2 RBI; Lyda advanced to third; Haywood scored; Spees scored.	3	4
Fox flied out to cf to right center, SAC, RBI (1-2 SSB); Lyda scored.	3	5
Quarless flied out to rf (2-2 KSBFB).	3	5
Runs: 3 Hits: 3 Errors: 0 Left On Base: 1		

Mercer - Top of 5th	MER	WCU
Shepherd struck out swinging, out at first c to 1b (1-2 KBKS).	3	5
Katz walked (3-2 BBBKKB).	3	5
Baughcum grounded into double play 2b to 1b (0-2 FFF); Katz out on the play.	3	5
Runs: 0 Hits: 0 Errors: 0 Left On Base: 0		

Western Carolina - Bottom of 5th	MER	WCU
Holton struck out swinging (0-2 SKFFS).	3	5
J. Jones flied out to rf (1-0 B).	3	5
Jones grounded out to 2b (0-2 FS).	3	5
Runs: 0 Hits: 0 Errors: 0 Left On Base: 0		

Mercer - Top of 6th	MER	WCU
Stephens grounded out to 2b (1-0 B).	3	5
Kamaka struck out looking (2-2 KFBK).	3	5
LaPointe popped up to 3b (3-2 KFBFB).	3	5
Runs: 0 Hits: 0 Errors: 0 Left On Base: 0		

Western Carolina - Bottom of 6th	MER	WCU
Spees walked (3-1 BBBKB).	3	5
Haywood struck out swinging (2-2 BFBSS).	3	5
Spees advanced to second on a wild pitch.	3	5
Lyda grounded out to 2b (2-2 BKSB); Spees advanced to third.	3	5
Turner grounded out to 3b (1-0 B).	3	5
Runs: 0 Hits: 0 Errors: 0 Left On Base: 1		

Mercer - Top of 7th	MER	WCU
Kersey grounded out to 2b (2-1 BSB).	3	5
JohnsonD grounded out to 1b unassisted (0-0).	3	5
Gegg pinch hit for Rowland.	3	5
Gegg struck out swinging (1-2 BKFS).	3	5
Runs: 0 Hits: 0 Errors: 0 Left On Base: 0		

Western Carolina - Bottom of 7th	MER	WCU
Gegg to cf.	3	5
Fox walked (3-2 FBSFBFFBB).	3	5
Ewaldsen to p for Decker.	3	5
Quarless struck out swinging (3-2 SFBBS); Fox out at second c unassisted, interference.	3	5
Holton singled to right field.	3	5
Holton stole second.	3	5
J. Jones grounded out to 3b.	3	5
Runs: 0 Hits: 1 Errors: 0 Left On Base: 1		

Mercer - Top of 8th	MER	WCU
Shepherd struck out looking (2-2 KBBSK).	3	5
Katz doubled to right center (0-0).	3	5
Baughcum grounded out to 3b (0-0).	3	5

Stephens singled up the middle, RBI (2-1 BFB); Katz scored.	4	5
Buffone pinch ran for Stephens.	4	5
Fuller to p for Fordham.	4	5
Kamaka singled to right field (2-2 BSFB); Buffone advanced to second.	4	5
LaPointe struck out swinging (2-2 BKFB).	4	5
Runs: 1 Hits: 3 Errors: 0 Left On Base: 2		

Western Carolina - Bottom of 8th	MER	WCU
Buffone to 2b.	4	5
JohnsonD to rf.	4	5
Ackerman to p for Ewaldsen.	4	5
Jones walked (3-2 BBBKKFB).	4	5
Raleigh pinch ran for Jones.	4	5
Spees grounded into double play ss to 2b to 1b (1-2 FBS); Raleigh out on the play.	4	5
Haywood flied out to 2b to left field (0-0).	4	5
Runs: 0 Hits: 0 Errors: 0 Left On Base: 0		

Mercer - Top of 9th	MER	WCU
Raleigh to lf.	4	5
Kersey grounded out to 3b (1-1 KB).	4	5
JohnsonD walked (3-2 BBKBKB).	4	5
Gegg struck out looking (1-2 KFBK).	4	5
Shepherd flied out to rf (3-2 BKKBB).	4	5
Runs: 0 Hits: 0 Errors: 0 Left On Base: 1		

Western Carolina - Bottom of 9th	MER	WCU
Runs: 0 Hits: 0 Errors: 0 Left On Base: 0		