



# 2025 Nusenda Credit Union State Baseball Championships

## Sandia Wins 5A Baseball Title for 1st Time in 45 Years

The Sandia Matadors (24-8) captured their first state baseball title in 45 years with a 13-4 win over the Eldorado Golden Eagles (23-9) at the 2025 Nusenda Credit State Baseball Championships. The Matadors last won it all in 1980.

Sandia jumped out to an early 4-0 in the top of the first inning, then Eldorado cut the lead to 4-1 in the bottom half. The Matadors added five more runs between and third and fourth innings to take a commanding 9-1 lead.

The Eagles got three back in the bottom of the fourth but that was all they would score, as Sandia added four more insurance runs in the top of the sixth, securing the 5A championship with a 13-4 win.



## Artesia on Top of 4A Baseball

The Artesia Bulldogs (25-6) won the 4A title at the 2025 Nusenda Credit Union State Baseball Championships over Bloomfield (24-7), 6-3. This was the Bulldogs first blue trophy since 2000.

The Bulldogs grabbed the early lead with two runs in the second and one in the third. Just as it looked to be Artesia's day, the Bobcat bats got hot in the top of the fourth, scoring three runs, tying the game at 3-3.

Artesia responded with a nine at-bat inning in the bottom of the fourth, scoring three runs on six hits to take back the lead 6-3. Then the Bulldog pitching took over as Artesia allowed just one base runner over the next three innings, on their way to a state title.



## NMMI Wins 3A Baseball Championship

For the second time in four years the NMMI Colts (22-6) hoisted the blue trophy at the 2025 Nusenda Credit Union State Baseball Championships with a win over the Robertson Cardinals (17-7), 7-1.

Robertson grabbed the early 1-0 at the top of the first, but NMMI responded with three runs in the bottom of the inning. The Colts added three more in the second to build their lead to 6-1.

The Colts pitching would shut down the Cardinals hitters the rest of the game, allowing just two more hits and four base runners. NMMI added an insurance run in the bottom of the sixth and hoisted the blue trophy as the 3A champions.





## Santa Rosa back on Top of 2A Baseball

The Santa Rosa Lions (22-3) captured the 2A state baseball title with a 7-6 win over the Loving Falcons (14-8) at the 2025 Nusenda Credit Union State Baseball Championships. This was Santa Rosa's first state baseball title in 44 years.

The 2A title game was an instant classic. Loving looked to be in control for most of the game, scoring four runs in the first five innings, holding a 4-1 advantage over Santa Rosa.

Then in the bottom of the 6th, the Lions had a 12 at-bat inning, scoring six runs on one hit, walking seven times in the inning. Santa Rosa's pitching staff handled it from there, shutting down the Falcons, 1-2-3 in the top of seventh, capturing the 2A title for the first time since 1981.



## Magdalena Hoisted the Blue Trophy for 1A Baseball

The Magdalena Steers (20-3), defeated the Gateway Christian Warriors (15-5) in the 1A Championship game at the 2025 Nusenda Credit Union State Baseball Championships, winning 7-6. It's the Steers first title in baseball since 1990.

Top-seeded Magdalena took the early lead in the first, 1-0, adding to their lead in the third with two more runs, taking a 3-1 advantage.



The Warriors pulled to within one run in the fifth at 3-2, but Magdalena strung together three straight hits to start the sixth, scoring four runs to take a 7-3 lead. Gateway Christian put two men on-base with just one out but couldn't push another run across, as the Steers won 7-3.