SERIES OPENERS
Yesterday afternoon and evening, the Colorado School of Mines Baseball team swept its series-opening doubleheader against Sioux Falls. The 3-2 and 4-1 victories came on the arms of Tyler Blomster and Walter Pennington. Blomster pitched a seven-inning, complete-game victory in the opener and Pennington went all nine innings in game two. At the plate, Gabe Garvens hit his second home run of the season and batted .800 on the day. Jace Selsor hit his third home run of the season as well.

IN THE RANKINGS
Mines remains ranked #25 in Collegiate Baseball Newspaper’s national rankings. That is still based on the preseason poll released Dec. 19 and has not yet been updated in the regular season. The Orediggers are also receiving votes and would theoretically sit #27 in the National Collegiate Baseball Writers Association (NCBWA) National Top-25. In the NCBWA regional poll, Mines climbed from #9 to #4 in week two of the rankings. Colorado Mesa currently sits atop the region and #3 in the nation according to the NCBWA. West Texas A&M and Dixie State round out the South Central top three with both slotting in at #8 and #14, respectively, in the national poll. As always, fans should note that these polls have nothing to do with selection to the NCAA Tournament – simply serving as a guidepost until the release of the official NCAA Regional Rankings in mid to late April.

COOL COUGAR FACTS
The University of Sioux Falls is no stranger to the Denver area as it opened its season at MSU Denver Feb. 15 and 17. The Cougars lost all three games by a combined margin of 37-5. Sioux Falls has not played any games since as it looks to improve on a 15-31 season in 2018. Five different Cougars have scored single runs for USF. Luke Rysavy is USF’s top slugger with a double and a triple on the year while batting .300. Josh Rehwaldt accounts for three of Sioux Falls’ five RBI. On the mound, Alex Loosbrock is the top pitcher, coming out of the bullpen for 4.0, shutout innings and seven strikeouts. Head coach Grant Hieb is in his third season as skipper for USF with an overall record of 34-62.

LOOKING AHEAD
The Orediggers open RMAC play March 8-10 against N.M. Highlands at Jim Darden Field. Live stats and video will be available at www.minesathletics.com.
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OREDIGGERS • 8-2 / 0-0 RMAC

1 Blaise Sims
2 Nash Neff
3 Daniel Ciraula
4 Caden Bonds
5 Derek Daly
6 Noah Kuzma
7 Mason Peterson
8 Mikey Gangwish
9 Jace Selsor
10 Danny McDermott
11 Trevor Howard
12 Cannon Sims
13 John Howard
14 Harrison Magee
15 Mitch Menard
16 Ian Durgin
17 Keene Tanaka
18 Walter Pennington
19 Drew Hill
20 Toby Scoles
21 Gabe Garvens
22 Iain Fraser
23 Kevin Zapanta
24 Sam Slusser
25 Joe Popp
26 Owen Pigati
27 Trevor Kehe
28 Nick Gardner
29 Phil VanZale
30 Tyler Blomster
31 Colin Morris
32 Will Scott
33 Phil VanZale
34 Tyler Blomster
35 Ben Stinson
36 Jason Hall
37 Chris Okamoto
38 Nate Giefer
39 Lucas Ciacco
40 Clayton Daly
41 RS Nikolas Wilkins

Assistant Coaches: Bryan King, Taylor Hamilton, Mark Martinez, Colt Sedbrook

2 Connor King
3 Alex Robinson
4 Ryan Meyer
5 Brandon Roesler
6 Luke Rysavy
7 Sam Michels
8 Roy Nielsen IV
9 Mitch Lyall
10 Drew Leonard
11 Matt Graham
12 Grant Lung
13 Brennan Gabriel
14 Daniel Ciraula
15 Sam Slusser
16 Mark Martinez
17 Kyle Gulbransson
18 John Berroth
19 Nash Dalzell
20 Payton Livingston
21 Sean Nussbaum
22 Jackson Olson
23 Payton Livingston
24 Sean Nussbaum
25 Jackson Olson
26 Charles Roskowiak
27 Ryan Bernardy
28 Alex Loosbrock
29 Kawiwa Hashimoto
30 Wyatt Hitchcock
31 Jacob Boryca
32 Ryan Nussbaum
33 Payton Livingston
34 Jacob Boryca
35 Anthony Reese
36 Christian Lazar
37 Josh Rehwaldt
38 Jacob Boryca
39 Dan Johnson
40 Brennen Gabriel
41 Spencer Dokken
42 Duncan Jakubowski
43 Blake Faber
44 Leo Ramos
45 Trey Hubers
46 Jacob Emerson

Assistant Coaches: Charlie Dubanoski, Ryan Pruitt

Head Coach: Grant Hieb
Head Coach: Robby Bales
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