



Game 6, February 22, 2024  
**Pope Greyhounds 14, Pace Academy Knights 2**  
Weather: 68 degrees, 11-19 mph winds  
Played at Jeff Rowland Field at Pope High School  
Varsity Record: Overall 4-2, Region 0-0  
Non-Region Game



## POPE RUN RULES PACE 14-2 JACK MYERS HITS GRAND SLAM TO POWER THE HOUNDS



Jack Myers is greeted at home plate by Hudson DeLine, Andrew Nelms, Tanner Morneau, and Brady Otero after hitting a second inning grand slam. The hit extended Myer's hitting streak to five games.

Pope wasted little time in establishing its dominance against Pace Academy. The Hounds raced to a commanding 12-1 lead after two innings and finished with a 14-2 run rule victory against the Knights Thursday night at Jeff Rowland Field. Pope's overall record is now 4-2.

Pope's offense showed great diversity with eight hits, including a home run and two doubles, eight walks, one HBP, six stolen bases, and two sacrifice bunts that scored two runs. The offense also took advantage of two Pace errors, four wild pitches, and two passed balls.

Senior designated hitter **Jack Myers** stepped to the plate in the bottom of the second inning. Myers had hit safely in the previous four games. It only took one pitch for Myers to extend his hitting streak to five games in a grand way. Myers saw a fastball up in the zone. He took a big swing and knew he got it all. Myers took a few steps towards first base, executed a nice high bat flip, and watched the ball sail 340 feet over the left field fence for a grand slam. Myers

trotted around the bases and was greeted at home plate by his teammates. Myers also walked one time, scored two runs, and had two stolen bases.

**Tanner Morneau** had two hits, two runs scored, one walk, two RBI, and had a successful sacrifice fly that scored a run. **Andrew Nelms** reached base 3-of-3 times with a single, HBP, and walk. Nelms scored three runs and had one stolen base. **John Stuetzer** led off the game with a double, scored one run, stole two bases, and had one walk. **Drew Abney** slugged a double and had one RBI.

**Hudson DeLine** reached base 3-of-3 times with a single and two walks. DeLine scored one run and had one RBI. **Luke Winbush** had a single and scored two runs. **Brady Otero** had a sacrifice bunt that scored a run, scored two runs himself, and stole one base. **Ben Hill** had a sacrifice bunt that scored a run, walked one time, and scored one run. **Matt Levinson** walked one time.

Sophomore lefthander **Nick Bobrowski** (1-0) started on the mound for Pope and earned his first varsity victory. Bobrowski pitched four innings, allowed just one hit, one run, and struck out five. In the top of the second inning, Bobrowski fell behind in the count 3-0 to the Pace batter. Bobrowski then threw three straight curve balls for three straight strikes and struck out the batter looking. Senior **Carter Joachim** pitched one inning to finish the game and struck out one batter.

In the bottom of the first inning, the Hounds sent eight batters to the plate and scored five runs on two hits to take a 5-1 lead. Stuetzer led off with a first pitch two bounce hit down the left field line for a double. Nelms was hit by a pitch in the middle of his back. Pope then completed a successful double steal with Stuetzer safe at third and Nelms safe at second. Morneau bounced a hit past the third baseman into left field for a single and scored Stuetzer. Nelms advanced to third and Morneau hustled to second on the throw. Nelms then scored from third on a wild pitch and headfirst slide into home.

Myers walked and promptly stole second base. Otero put down a sacrifice bunt to the pitcher, who threw wildly to home, and Morneau scored from third. Otero reached first base on the play and Myers advanced to third. Pope then executed their second successful double steal of the inning. Otero stole second base and drew a throw from the catcher. Myers took off from third and scored without a throw home. Abney grounded out to the second baseman and advanced Otero to third base. Hill then put down a sacrifice bunt to the pitcher and scored Otero with the fifth run of the inning.

In the bottom of the second inning, Pope continued to pile on the runs. The Hounds sent 11 batters to the plate and scored seven runs on four hits to take a commanding 12-1 lead. DeLine led off with a four pitch walk. With one out, Nelms hit a single to left field and DeLine hustled to third base on the play. Morneau walked on a full count to load the bases. Myers hit a grand slam that scored DeLine, Nelms, and Morneau.

Otero followed, reached base by an throwing error by the third baseman, and raced to second base when the ball got past the first baseman. Abney slugged a first pitch line drive double down the right field line and scored Otero from second. **Regan Cochran** ran for Abney and moved to third base on a wild pitch. Hill walked on four pitches. Winbush hit into a fielder's choice and Cochran was out at home. Hill and Winbush moved to third base and second base on a wild pitch. DeLine hit a line drive single to left field that scored Hill. Winbush advanced to third. Two pitches later, Winbush scored on a passed ball for the Hounds final run of the inning.

In the bottom of the third inning, Pope scored one run on one hit to take a 13-1 lead. Nelms led off with a four pitch walk. Morneau singled past the shortstop into left field. With two outs, Abney reached base on a throwing error by the third baseman. Nelms scored from second base on the play.

In the bottom of the fourth inning, Pope scored one final run on one hit to take a 14-2 lead. Winbush led off with a single just past the shortstop into left field. DeLine walked on a full count. Winbush advanced to third on a wild pitch. With one out, Stuetzer walked on a full count. Levinson pinch hit and walked on a full count. Morneau hit a sacrifice fly to center field that scored Winbush from third.

Defensively, Pope only made one error. The defensive catches of the game were made on consecutive plays. In the top of the third inning, **Logan Castro** dove and snagged a sinking line drive in right field for the first out of the inning. The next batter hit a slicing fly ball down the right field line into foul territory. Castro tracked the ball and made a nice running catch next to the right field fence for the second out.

Pope finishes the week with a Friday game at Walton scheduled to start at 6:00 pm.