

**Balanced effort leads to 18-0 win for NCHS over Evangel**

**SHREVEPORT, La.** - The Natchitoches Central Chiefs broke out of a mini slump with a route of the Evangel Eagles 18-0 in four innings Saturday afternoon in district 1-5A baseball action at Evangel

The Chiefs (9-4, 1-2 in 1-5A) got 10 hits and took advantage of five Eagles' errors as they scored seven runs in the third and 11 in the fourth. NCHS had 10 different players collect one hit with every starter collecting one with eight of the starters having at least one RBI.

NCHS sent 17 batters to the plate in the fourth inning which included five hits, four HBPs, three errors and three walks.

Junior Owen Smith pitched three perfect innings not allowing a baserunner and striking out five hitters.

The win snapped a mini two-game skid for NCHS which lost consecutive games to Haughton earlier this week 7-0 and 5-4.

Next up, the Chiefs will face Evangel Tuesday night at home at 5 p.m.