

Patriots QB Maye stands by coach, calling him 'a great human being'

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — New England Patriots quarterback Drake Maye called Mike Vrabel "a great human being," and said he doesn't think the head coach's off-field issues will be a distraction for the defending AFC champions this upcoming season.

"No, I don't," Maye said. "I mean, he's our head coach. I think he's done a great job of talking to us and talking us through it. I'm just looking forward to getting back to work and getting ready."

Maye spoke to The Associated Press on Wednesday following the Truist Championship Pro-Am in Charlotte in which he was paired with PGA Tour pro Gary Woodland on the back nine at Quail Hollow.

Vrabel has found himself entangled in controversy after the New York Post posted pictures of him with longtime NFL reporter Dianna Russini at an Arizona resort. Vrabel said on



New England quarterback Drake Maye signs autographs for fans after the pro-am at the Truist Championship on Wednesday at Quail Hollow Club in Charlotte.

April 24 that he was taking accountability for his actions without addressing specifics about the published photos.

Vrabel missed the third day of the draft to attend counseling.

Vrabel said he had to have hard conversations with the people that he cared about the most, including his family, his team and members of the Patriots organization. He added that, "My previous

actions don't meet the standard that I hold myself to. They don't."

When asked if the issues are something the Patriots will need to put behind them before the season, Maye said, "I think that'll

take care of itself." "I know he's got the right mindset and I know he's a great human being," Maye added. "I think he's ... like I said, I love playing for him."

Maye, the third overall pick in 2024 who grew up in nearby Huntersville, North Carolina, led the Patriots to an appearance in Super Bowl 60 in just his second season. He was runner-up to Los Angeles Rams QB Matthew Stafford for the AP NFL MVP award in 2025.

Maye also addressed former Patriots teammate Stefon Diggs' acquittal on charges that he assaulted his live-in personal chef.

The charges stemmed from a Dec. 2 incident at his Massachusetts home where Jamila Adams testified that Diggs slapped and choked her during an argument.

Diggs had pled not guilty to a felony strangulation charge and a misdemeanor assault and battery charge. The jury deliberated for less

than two hours before clearing Diggs of all charges. The acquittal in court clears a path for the four-time Pro Bowl wide receiver to return to the field, although he could still face discipline from the NFL.

"Well, you know, he's always been a great teammate to me and I know he'll do great things," Maye said. "I was fortunate enough to have a year with him, and I'm looking forward to seeing what happens to him. He's a great player."

And as for the shoulder injury that hampered him down the stretch last season, Maye said he's doing "great."

"Nothing, nothing, no problems at all," said Maye, adding that he did not need surgery.

The Patriots will host a three-day rookie minicamp beginning Friday in Foxborough, Massachusetts.



United States' Matthew Tkachuk (19) celebrates after the United States defeated Canada in a men's ice hockey gold medal game between Canada and the United States at the 2026 Winter Olympics, in Milan, Italy, Feb. 22, 2026.

Tkachuk makes a Triple Gold Club bid

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. (AP) — Matthew Tkachuk has the chance to be the first American in hockey's Triple Gold Club.

After winning the Stanley Cup back to back with the NHL's Florida Panthers and a gold medal at the Milan Cortina Olympics as part of the U.S. team, Tkachuk is set to play at the world championships later this month.

Tkachuk was part of the preliminary roster for the tournament unveiled

by USA Hockey on Thursday. The U.S. is the defending champion at the event after winning it last year for the first time since 1933.

"We're excited about our group," said U.S. general manager Brett Peterson, who is part of Florida's front office. "We've got a good blend of players that are excited about representing our country and competing for a gold medal."

Tkachuk was the only Olympian from Milan

named to the team. Goaltender Drew Commesso represented the U.S. in 2022 and Will Borgen in 2018 when the NHL did not participate. The world championships take place May 15-31 in Zurich and Fribourg, Switzerland.

There are currently 30 players who have been Stanley Cup, Olympic and worlds champions, led by 11 Canadians and nine Swedes.

Tigers' pitcher suspended 5 games for intentionally hitting Boston batter

DETROIT (AP) — Detroit Tigers pitcher Framer Valdez was suspended for five games and fined on Wednesday, one day after he was ejected for hitting Boston's Trevor Story with a pitch during a 10-2 loss in which he allowed a career-high 10 runs.

Valdez was at first banned for six games by MLB, which cited him for intentionally throwing a pitch at Story, but the penalty was reduced in an agreement between Major League Baseball and the players' association. He started serving the penalty during Wednesday night's series finale and barring rainouts will be eligible to pitch Wednesday at the New York Mets.

Detroit already is missing injured starting pitchers Tarik Skubal (elbow), Casey Mize (hamstring) and Justin Verlander (hip).

"Generally when you have an event like last night where there's a disruption of play and there's a guy kicked out of the game for what is deemed throwing at somebody, that doesn't come for free," Detroit manager A.J. Hinch said.

Hinch was suspended for one game for what MLB said was Valdez's intentional actions and was to serve the penalty Wednesday.

Valdez already allowed eight runs in the first three innings when Willson Contreras hit a 449-foot homer on the first pitch of



Detroit Tigers starting pitcher Framer Valdez throws during the first inning of a baseball game against the Boston Red Sox, Tuesday, May 5, 2026, in Detroit.

the fourth. Contreras watched the flight of the ball from home plate before flipping his bat.

Two pitches later, Willyer Abreu boosted the score to 10-2 when he homered into the right-field seats, a 109.1 mph drive. His next pitch was a 94.4 mph offering that hit Story between the numbers on his back. Valdez had not thrown a four-seam fastball since last Aug. 3 when he hit Boston's Cedanne Rafaela under the left arm with a 95.5 pitch with a 3-1 count leading off the sixth inning. The Astros trailed the Red Sox 6-1.

When home plate umpire Adam Beck and Tigers catcher Dillon Dingler got between Story and the mound Tuesday, the Red Sox dugout emptied, followed by Detroit's bench and both bullpens. There was no physical contact and few harsh words.

Valdez denied hitting

Story on purpose, saying the unfamiliar four-seam fastball got away from him.

Last season while pitching for Houston, Valdez denied intentionally hitting his catcher César Salazar in the chest with a pitch almost immediately after he gave up a grand slam in a loss to the New York Yankees. Two pitches after Trent Grisham's slam in the Yankees' 7-1 victory on Sept. 2, Valdez crossed up catcher César Salazar by throwing a 92.8 mph sinker to Anthony Volpe. Valdez and Salazar both said after the game the pitch that hit the catcher wasn't on purpose.

Earlier in the season, Valdez expressed frustration about the defensive positioning on a play in the sixth inning that led to the only run he allowed in the Astros' 2-1 loss to the Washington Nationals on July 28.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF DOUGLAS COUNTY, KANSAS	All creditors are notified to exhibit their demands against the Estate within four months from the date of the first publication of this notice, as provided by law, and if their demands are not thus exhibited, they shall be forever barred.	IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF DOUGLAS COUNTY, KANSAS CIVIL DEPARTMENT	vs.	LOT 2, QUAIL RIDGE EAST NO. 2, A REPLAT OF LOTS 15, 16, 19, AND 20, QUAIL RIDGE EAST, IN THE CITY OF LAWRENCE, DOUGLAS COUNTY, KANSAS. Parcel ID No. 023-112-03-0-10-02-006.00-0. Commonly known as 1507 Medinah Cir, Lawrence, KS 66047 ("the Property") MS 232388	ATTORNEYS FOR PLAINTIFF	NOTICE OF HEARING	You are required to file your written defenses to the petition on or before May 26, 2026 at 2:00 p.m. in said court in the City of Lawrence, in Douglas County, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail to file your written defenses, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the petition.
In the Matter of the Estate of WILLARD D. WILSON, also known as WILLY D. WILSON, Deceased	Timothy D. Wilson and Donna M. Pool, Petitioners	Rocket Mortgage, LLC f/k/a Quicken Loans, LLC Plaintiff,	Barbara Van Foeken, Lambertus Van Foeken, Jane Doe, John Doe, and Quail Ridge East Homes Association, et al., Defendants	and all those defendants who have not otherwise been served are required to plead to the Petition on or before June 11, 2026 in the District Court of Douglas County, Kansas. If you fail to plead, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the request of plaintiff.	MS 232388.467366 KJFC	The State of Kansas to all persons concerned:	Barbara D. Holle Petitioner
Case No. DG-2026-PR-000077 Division 4 Pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter 59	Prepared by:	Case No. DG-2026-CV-000215 Court No.	You are hereby notified that a Petition has been filed in the District Court of Douglas County, Kansas by Rocket Mortgage, LLC f/k/a Quicken Loans, LLC, praying to foreclose a mortgage on the following described real estate:	MILLSAP & SINGER, LLC 8900 Indian Creek Parkway, Suite 180 Overland Park, KS 66210 (913) 339-9132 (913) 339-9045 (fax)	MILLSAP & SINGER, LLC IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.	You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed in said court by Barbara D. Holle, sole heir at law of Alan S. Holle, deceased, requesting descent be determined of the following described real estate situated in Douglas County, Kansas:	Erin K. Lynch - 28991 BARBER EMERSON, L.C. 1211 Massachusetts Street P.O. Box 667 Lawrence, Kansas 66044 (785) 843-6600 Telephone (785) 843-8405 Facsimile elynch@barberemerson.com Attorneys for Petitioner
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