BASEBALL

LEGION RESULTS

Kansas Class A (19-U)
State Tournament
At Pittsburg
(Games at Jaycee Ballpark Unless Noted)
Thursday's Games
Topeka 4, Iola 3
Hiawatha 6, Chanute 5
Marysville 11, Ottawa 1
Game 4 – Pittsburg Post 64 vs. Smith County
Friday's Games
Game 5 – Iola vs. Ottawa, 10 a.m., at PSU Al Ortolani Field
Game 6 – Chanute vs. Game 4 loser, 12:30 p.m., at PSU Al Ortolani Field
Game 7 – Topeka vs. Marysville, 10 a.m.
Game 8 – Hiawatha vs. Game 4 winner, 12:30 p.m.
Game 9 – Game 5 winner vs. Game 8 loser, 6 p.m.
Game 10 – Game 6 winner vs. Game 7 loser, 8:30 p.m.
Saturday's Games
Game 11 – Game 7 winner vs. Game 8 winner, 9 a.m.
Game 12 – Game 9 winner vs. Game 10 winner, 11:30 a.m.
Game 13 – Game 12 winner vs. Game 11 loser, 2 p.m.
Sunday's Games
Game 14 – Game 11 winner vs. Game 13 winner, 11 a.m.; second game, if necessary, to follow

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MLB STANDINGS

American League

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Tampa Bay	59	43	.578	—
New York	57	45	.559	2
Boston	52	49	.515	6½
Baltimore	50	53	.485	9½
Toronto	47	56	.456	12½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	54	47	.535	—
Cleveland	54	50	.519	1½
Minnesota	51	53	.490	4½
Detroit	48	54	.471	6½
Kansas City	43	60	.417	12

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Texas	51	51	.500	—
Seattle	51	52	.495	½
Houston	50	54	.481	2
Athletics	43	59	.422	8
Los Angeles	41	62	.398	10½

Wednesday's Games
Boston 6, Baltimore 3, 1st game
Pittsburgh 5, N.Y. Yankees 3, 10 innings, 1st game
Kansas City 5, San Francisco 4
Cincinnati 5, Seattle 3
St. Louis 1, L.A. Angels 0
Arizona 15, Athletics 5
N.Y. Yankees 2, Pittsburgh 0, 2nd game
Tampa Bay 4, Toronto 2
Minnesota 10, Cleveland 6
Baltimore 5, Boston 1, 2nd game
Houston 5, Miami 2
Detroit 5, Chicago Cubs 1
Chicago White Sox 4, Texas 2
Thursday's Games
Minnesota 3, Cleveland 1, 12 innings
Toronto 3, Tampa Bay 1
Kansas City at Detroit
Friday's Games
Kansas City (Cameron 5-8) at Detroit (Skubal 6-5), 5:40 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Warren 7-4) at Philadelphia (Luzardo 9-4), 5:45 p.m.
Atlanta (Holmes 6-4) at Baltimore (Rogers 6-7), 6:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Cantillo 8-5) at Tampa Bay (McClanahan 8-6), 6:10 p.m.
Toronto (Yesavage 4-5) at Boston (Sandoval 0-0), 6:15 p.m.
Houston (Arrighetti 7-5) at Chicago White Sox (Martin 9-5), 6:40 p.m.
Seattle (Miller 4-4) at Texas (Gore 6-8), 7:05 p.m.
Athletics (Lopez 4-4) at Minnesota (Matthews 4-7), 8:10 p.m.
L.A. Angels (Rodriguez 3-3) at San Francisco (Webb 5-7), 9:15 p.m.
Saturday's Games
Kansas City at Detroit, 12:10 p.m.
L.A. Angels at San Francisco, 3:05 p.m.
Toronto at Boston, 3:10 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees at Philadelphia, 5:05 p.m.
Cleveland at Tampa Bay, 5:10 p.m.
Atlanta at Baltimore, 6:05 p.m.
Athletics at Minnesota, 6:10 p.m.
Houston at Chicago White Sox, 6:10 p.m.
Seattle at Texas, 6:15 p.m.

National League

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	60	42	.588	—
Philadelphia	56	47	.544	4½
Miami	52	51	.505	8½
Washington	52	51	.505	8½
New York	43	60	.417	17½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Milwaukee	64	38	.627	—
Chicago	57	45	.559	7
Pittsburgh	53	50	.515	11½
St. Louis	52	49	.515	11½
Cincinnati	47	54	.465	16½

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	65	38	.631	—
Arizona	53	49	.520	11½
San Diego	50	53	.485	15
San Francisco	42	60	.412	22½
Colorado	41	63	.394	24½

Wednesday's Games
Pittsburgh 5, N.Y. Yankees 3, 10 innings, 1st game
Kansas City 5, San Francisco 4
Milwaukee 4, N.Y. Mets 3
Washington 8, Colorado 0
Cincinnati 5, Seattle 3
St. Louis 1, L.A. Angels 0
Arizona 15, Athletics 5
N.Y. Yankees 2, Pittsburgh 0, 2nd game
L.A. Dodgers 9, Philadelphia 5
Atlanta 7, San Diego 6
Houston 5, Miami 2
Detroit 5, Chicago Cubs 1
Thursday's Games
Atlanta 6, San Diego 5
Arizona at St. Louis
Friday's Games
Colorado (Sugano 9-4) at Milwaukee (Drohan 5-3), 3:10 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Boyd 6-1) at Pittsburgh (Jones 2-1), 5:40 p.m.
Arizona (Rodriguez 8-3) at Washington (Littell 7-7), 5:45 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Warren 7-4) at Philadelphia (Luzardo 9-4), 5:45 p.m.
Atlanta (Holmes 6-4) at Baltimore (Rogers 6-7), 6:05 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers (Sasaki 3-5) at N.Y. Mets (Manaea 2-5), 6:10 p.m.
San Diego (Márquez 4-2) at Miami (TBD), 6:10 p.m.
Cincinnati (Lowder 3-7) at St. Louis (May 5-7), 7:15 p.m.
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KIFFIN

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to school.

Without getting into what people thought of him, he said he did think the rule could be helpful.

"I guess (so), in that I hope that some way for future coaches, they're not put in that situation," Kiffin said. "In the NFL, you're never put in that situation because of the calendar and because of the rules of movement within seasons. I do hope for future people, that's fixed so that you're not in that same predicament."

VANITY FAIR STORY

There were other moments of introspection during the 51-year-old coach's time with media in the most-anticipated news conference over four days of collecting preview material for a season that starts Sept. 3.

Kiffin, clearly prepared for the question, repeated earlier mea culpas when he conceded the headline-grabbing snippet from a Vanity Fair interview earlier this year — in which he said recruiting players to Oxford was more difficult than to Baton Rouge because there was a more diverse and less segregated feeling at LSU — was a mistake.

"I made a challenging decision and change," Kiffin explained. "I think as I look back to that, I thought I could find a way for everybody to understand. Now as I look back later on, that was never going to happen."

While Kiffin's replacement at Ole Miss, Pete Golding, lit up Media Days a day earlier, calling his old boss "the ex" who never really goes away, Kiffin was interesting in a different, potentially more-scripted way.

In reflecting on the Vanity Fair interview, he noted how life is short and that he grew up with the notion that his dad and wrestler Hulk Hogan were the only people who would never die. Monte Kiffin, the football lifer coach whose reputation was cemented during his dozen years coaching defense in Tampa for the Buccaneers, died two summers ago. Hogan passed away a year ago Friday.

"It just made me reflect on, I can't be so concerned about little things and what people say," Kiffin said. "You've got to make decisions; you've got to go with them. You make really good decisions, and you make poor decisions. That was a poor usage of a term that I believe, just like many coaches that have been there before, was factual. But over the course of a long interview, was bad timing and bad usage of the word."

SOCIAL MEDIA CLEANSE

Kiffin also spent time discussing about how his son, Knox, urged him to get off social media, which he did in May, only to see a whole new world open up.

"Knox pushing me to do that, challenging me, allowed me to help other players, friends, coaches to say, 'Man, you should try this sometime, because once you remove something from your life, you start to realize how many other people are addicted to it or need it,'" Kiffin said.

Turns out, now is a great time for the coach to have quit social media.

Kiffin's flirtation with LSU and eventual decision to leave Ole Miss to sign a seven-year, $91 million contract with its rival upended the end of last regular season. The disruption included debates about Mississippi's prospects in the College Football Playoffs and whether the Rebels would be viewed, or seeded, differently coming into the postseason without their head coach.

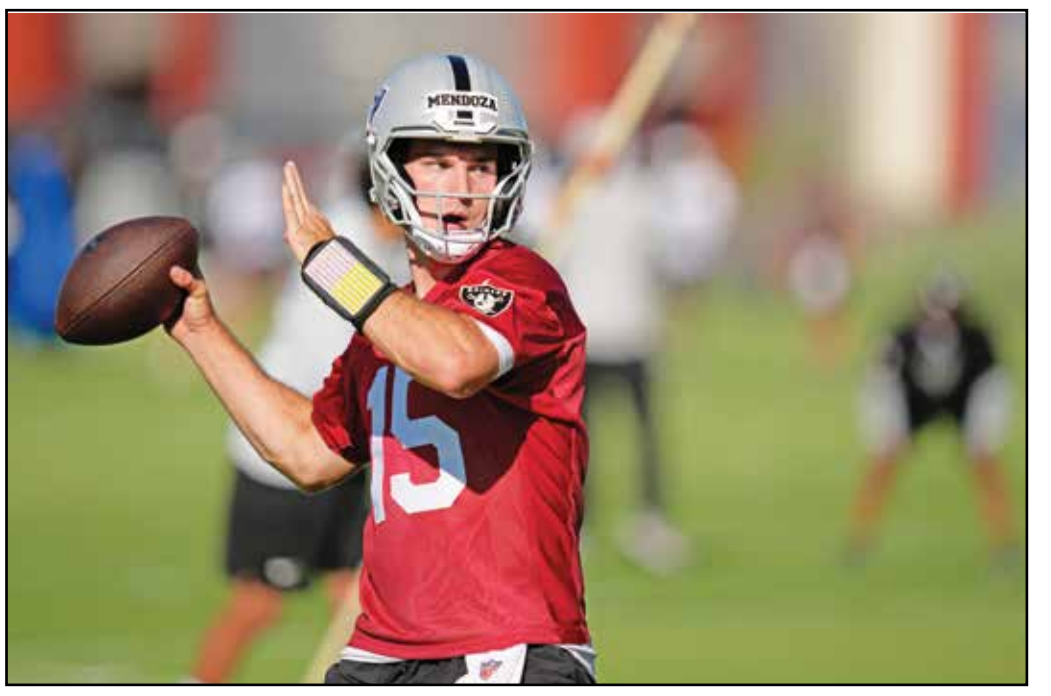
The Kiffin move also picked at a decades-old scab that practically defines college sports: Why is it OK for coaches to do whatever they want and make millions while the players have guardrails around their every move?

Paying players helped resolve some, but not all, of that. Players also got something of a break with a recent change that gives those participating in the playoff a few extra days to decide to stay or go into the transfer portal.

Kiffin insisted that in the wake of his social-media cleanse, he's been so disconnected from the news of the day, or the moment, that he really wasn't aware of the rule named after him in Congress until being asked about it in the news conference.

He said it's good to see some changes that benefit players.

"Hopefully," he said, "in some way, they fix it for coaches, too."



Las Vegas Raiders quarterback Fernando Mendoza has signed a four-year contract worth $57.27 million. (AP PHOTO/JOHN LOCHER)

Raiders sign No. 1 pick Mendoza

By MARK ANDERSON
AP Sports Writer

HENDERSON, Nev. (AP) — Quarterback Fernando Mendoza, the top overall pick in this year's draft, signed a four-year, $57.27 million contract with the Las Vegas Raiders on Thursday.

The Raiders hold a fifth-year option.

Mendoza was the last of the Raiders' 10 draft picks to sign.

"I'm excited to get this thing signed," Mendoza said on the team's social media post. "I'm excited to be a part of the silver and black. Can't wait."

He ran the third-team offense in organized team activities and minicamp, but is expected to take on a larger role in training camp, which begins Wednesday.

Veteran Kirk Cousins, who signed a free-agent contract worth $20 million guaranteed, enters camp as the No. 1 quarterback.

How long Cousins hangs on to that spot will be the main storyline in camp and perhaps into the season.

Mendoza hopes to translate the success he experienced in his final season of college football in which he won the Heisman Trophy and led Indiana to its first national championship.

Also, star pass rusher Maxx Crosby said on his podcast "The Rush" that he would join the rookies for their training camp. Crosby has been working his way back from knee surgery.

Texas QB Arch Manning stays in the present

By EDDIE PELLS
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TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — The quarterback who could get picked first in next year's NFL draft isn't going to lose focus thinking about what looks like a bright 2027. And he sure isn't going to waste a lot of time worrying about his less-than-perfect 2025.

Arch Manning of Texas, the latest in the long line of football's royal family of quarterbacking, took 20 minutes worth of questions Thursday to close out SEC Media Days. He mostly spoke about 2026.

"I'm not worried about anything in the future right now," he said. "I'm worried about getting through this interview."

He did just fine.

Sporting a burnt-orange necktie and a Longhorn pin on his lapel, the son of Cooper, nephew of Peyton and Eli, and grandson of Archie ran the gantlet with reporters lined up three-deep to speak with him.

—How does it feel to be compared to others, both in and out of your family? "I'm trying to do better not comparing myself to others. They say comparison is the defeat of joy."

—Is he looking forward to leading the Longhorns into Uncle Peyton's old stomping grounds, Neyland Stadium at Tennessee? "They've got a good coach and good players. We're excited to go. I'm not going to make it about me."

—What's his favorite hobby? Answer: golf. "I broke 80 for the first time last week. Well, pretty much. I gave myself a putt."

Certainly, there's still work to do for the 22-year-old junior-to-be, whose body and reputation took a beating with the Longhorns over a tumultuous, 10-3 season in 2025.

Heading into his second season as the starter, Manning insists he tries to minimize the expectations that have been heaped on him since he emerged in high school as a surefire star-to-be — or the criticism from those who said his 3-2 start last year that dropped him down those NFL draft boards made him one of the biggest busts in college football history.

"Everyone has an opinion and people get paid to talk in the media, so there's really nothing you can do," he said. "I'm trying to control the controllables."

He got sacked 23 times last season and was under pressure more than that. Because he's a Manning, everything from his reactions after bad plays to his release time — somewhere around 3.2 seconds — got dissected way more than would those of a typical above-average college QB.

Texas opened last season with a 14-7 loss to Ohio State and followed that five weeks later with a six-sack, 29-21 loss to a Florida team that turned out to not be very good.

LEGALS

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NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The governing body of
Sherman Township
Crawford County
will meet on 08/03/2026 at 4:00pm at Farlington Town Hall for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of all funds and the amount of ad valorem tax. Detailed budget information is available at Crawford County Clerk Office and will be available at this hearing.

BUDGET SUMMARY

Proposed Budget 2027 Expenditures and Amount of 2026 Ad Valorem Tax establish the maximum limits of the 2027 budget. Estimated Tax Rate is subject to change depending on the final assessed valuation.

	Prior Year Actual 2025		Current Year Estimate 2026		Proposed Budget 2027		
Fund	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Budget Authority for Expenditures	Amount of 2026 Ad Valorem Tax	Proposed Estimated Tax Rate*
General	14,552	1.078	12,606	0.747	10,000	9,281	0.940
Cemetery	14,963	0.944	9,179	0.838	10,821	10,049	1.017
Fire	50,070	4.367	49,000	4.502	47,935	39,534	4.002
Totals	79,585	6.389	70,785	6.087	68,756	58,864	5.959
						*Revenue Neutral Rate***	5.959
Less: Transfers	0		0		0		
Net Expenditure	79,585		70,785		68,756		
Total Tax Levied	58,850		58,872		xxxxxxxxxxxxxxx		
Assessed Valuation:							
Township	9,212,357		9,672,137		9,877,903		
Outstanding Indebtedness, Jan 1	2024		2025		2026		
G.O. Bonds	0		0		0		
Other	0		0		0		
Lease Purchase Principal	0		0		0		
Total	0		0		0		

*Tax rates are expressed in mills.
***Revenue Neutral Rate as defined by KSA 79-2988*

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