

MARYLAND SPORTS BLOG

WEEKLY MAGAZINE

VOLUME 2026

ISSUE 33

WEEK OF

AUG 9 - AUG 16, 2026

www.MARYLANDSPORTSBLOG.COM
YOUR SOURCE FOR MARYLAND SPORTS NEWS

FINAL SCORE

Orioles 4 vs 3 Rays

BALTIMORE ORIOLES 60-63 **10 INNINGS** **TAMPA BAY RAYS 74-48**

ORIOLES KEY PLAYERS
PETE ALONSO: 3-5, HR (27), R

O'NEILL DELIVERS IN EXTRAS

RAYS KEY PLAYERS
JUNIOR CAMINERO: 1-4, RBI

COVER STORY

The Week in Maryland Sports

The Baltimore Orioles defeated the Tampa Bay Rays, 4-3, in 10 innings Saturday night at Tropicana Field, earning...

BALTIMORE ORIOLES

Henderson, Beavers Lift Orioles Past Rays, 6-5, to Snap Tamp...

BALTIMORE ORIOLES

Chesapeake Baysox Defeat Reading Fightin Phils 5-2 as...

BALTIMORE ORIOLES

Orioles Open Four-Game Road Series Against Red-Hot Rays...

BALTIMORE ORIOLES

Chesapeake Baysox Baseball Falls 6-4 to Reading Fightin...

INSIDE THIS ISSUE

45 STORIES

7 SECTIONS

23 MSB TAKES

MARYLANDSPORTSBLOG.COM

CONTENTS

01		BALTIMORE ORIOLES	5
02		BALTIMORE RAVENS	9
03		WASHINGTON CAPITALS AND HERSHEY BEARS...	12
04		MARYLAND COLLEGE SPORTS	14
05		MARYLAND HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS	17
06		WASHINGTON MYSTICS	18
07		WASHINGTON NATIONALS	19

FEATURED THIS WEEK



O'Neill Delivers in Extras as Orioles Edge Rays 4-3

The Baltimore Orioles defeated the Tampa Bay Rays, 4-3, in 10 innings Saturday night at Tropicana Field, earning their second consecutive one-run victory over...

BY THE NUMBERS

45 STORIES

7 SECTIONS

23 MSB TAKES

BRIAN'S NOTEBOOK

THE WEEK THAT WAS

Brian's Take recaps 23 MSB opinion takes published during the week. These are the key conclusions from MSB's reporting, analysis and game coverage....

1

O Neill Delivers in Extras as Orioles Edge Rays 4-3

These are the games the Orioles have to win if they are serious about making a late postseason push. Baltimore did not play a perfect game. The defense contributed to Tampa Bay's first run, the bullpen surrendered the lead in the ninth, and the offense went quiet for several innings. But the Orioles kept fighting. Bradish battled despite not having his...

2

Henderson, Beavers Lift Orioles Past Rays, 6-5, to Snap Tampa Bay's Nine-Game Winning Streak...

This was exactly the type of game the Orioles have to win if they are going to make a serious late-season playoff push. Baltimore received quality starting pitching, contributions from the bench and, most importantly, a huge night from Henderson. Henderson has not produced at the superstar level Orioles fans expected for most of 2026, but there is still enough time...

3

Orioles Open Four-Game Road Series Against Red-Hot Rays

This is exactly the type of series the Orioles should want at this point in the season. Baltimore is no longer realistically chasing Tampa Bay for the AL East lead, but the Orioles still have plenty to evaluate following a dramatic trade deadline that changed the direction of the roster. Going into Tropicana Field against a 74-win Rays team riding a nine-game...

4

Orioles' Top Prospect Rankings Look Completely Different After Draft, Trade Deadline Shakeup...

There are plenty of reasons for Orioles fans to be frustrated with how the 2026 trade deadline unfolded. Trading Adley Rutschman to an American League East rival was always going to be controversial, regardless of the return. However, separating that debate from the quality of the prospects Baltimore acquired, it is difficult to argue that the Orioles did...

AROUND THE STATE

THIS WEEK IN MARYLAND SPORTS

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16

O'Neill Delivers in Extras as Orioles Edge Rays 4-3

SATURDAY, AUGUST 15

Henderson, Beavers Lift Orioles Past Rays, 6-5, to Snap Tampa Bay's Nine-Game Winning Streak...

FRIDAY, AUGUST 14

Orioles Open Four-Game Road Series Against Red-Hot Rays

THURSDAY, AUGUST 13

Orioles' Top Prospect Rankings Look Completely Different After Draft, Trade Deadline Shakeup...

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12

Orioles Power Past Twins 5-2 Behind Three Home Runs, Strong Outing From Brandon Young...

TUESDAY, AUGUST 11

Former Oriole Dean Kremer Dominates Baltimore as Twins Beat Orioles 9-5

QUOTE OF THE WEEK



Ravens were looking for a veteran tackle to get them through preseason but Kendall Lamm is the second guy they signed who retired during camp, Zrebiec wrote Thursday. ...

UPCOMING WEEK

More Maryland sports coverage, schedules and breaking news are ahead.

BALTIMORE ORIOLES

BALTIMORE ORIOLES



BALTIMORE ORIOLES

60-63

MARYLANDSPORTSBLOG.COM

OUR SOURCE FOR MARYLAND SPORTS NEWS

FINAL SCORE

4 vs 3

10 INNINGS



TAMPA BAY RAYS

74-48

O'NEILL DELIVERS IN EXTRAS

Tyler O'Neill drove in the automatic runner with an RBI single in the top of the 10th inning and Cam Sanders shut the door in the bottom half as the Orioles edged the Rays, 4-3, in 10 innings at Tropicana Field.

Pete Alonso and Christian Encarnacion-Strand homered to give Baltimore a 3-1 lead, but Tampa Bay rallied to tie the game in the 9th. The O's picked up their second straight one-run win over the AL East leaders.

ORIOLES KEY PLAYERS

- ▶ PETE ALONSO: 3-5, HR (27), R
27TH HOME RUN OF THE SEASON
- ▶ CHRISTIAN ENCARNACION-STRAND: 1-4, HR (5), RBI
SOLO HOME RUN IN THE 6TH INNING
- ▶ TYLER O'NEILL: 1-4, RBI
GAME-WINNING RBI SINGLE IN THE 10TH
- ▶ GUNNAR HENDERSON: 1-4, R, BB
- ▶ CAM SANDERS: SAVE (3)
STRUCK OUT THE SIDE IN THE BOTTOM OF THE 10TH

RAYS KEY PLAYERS

- ▶ JUNIOR CAMINERO: 1-4, RBI
RBI INFIELD SINGLE IN THE 9TH TIED THE GAME
- ▶ CEDRIC MULLINS: 1-4, 3B, RBI
RBI TRIPLE IN THE 6TH INNING
- ▶ TAYLOR WALLS: 1-3, 2B
SINGLED AND ADVANCED ON ERROR IN THE 3RD
- ▶ IAN SEYMOUR (L): 6.0 IP, 6 H, 3 R, 0 BB, 9 K
STRUCK OUT 9 ORIOLES

GAME NOTES

NEXT GAME

FEATURE STORY

O Neill Delivers in Extras as Orioles Edge Rays 4-3

The Baltimore Orioles defeated the Tampa Bay Rays, 4-3, in 10 innings Saturday night at Tropicana Field, earning their second consecutive one-run victory over the American...

[READ MORE ONLINE](#)

marylandsportsblog.com

BALTIMORE ORIOLES

BALTIMORE ORIOLES

AUGUST 14, 2026

ORIOLES 6 - 5 RAYS

ORIOLES EDGE RAYS

BALTIMORE SNAPS TAMPA BAY'S WIN STREAK

FEATURE STORY

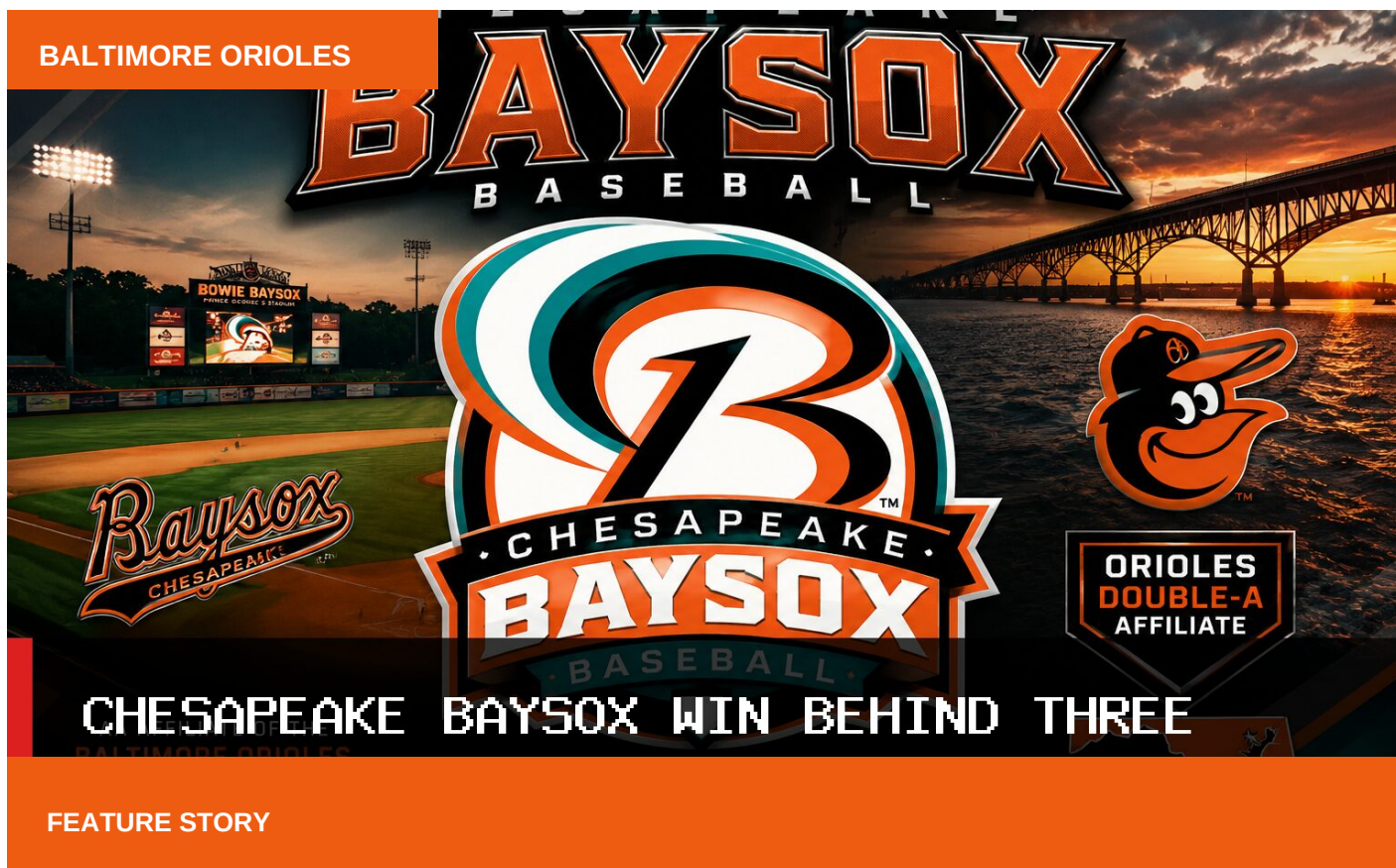
Henderson, Beavers Lift Orioles Past Rays, 6-5, to Snap Tampa Bay's Nine-Game Winning Streak

The Baltimore Orioles opened a critical American League East series with one of their biggest wins of the season Friday night....

[READ MORE ONLINE](#)

marylandsportsblog.com

BALTIMORE ORIOLES



Chesapeake Baysox Defeat Reading Fightin Phils 5-2 as Anthony Eyanson Fans Seven

Anthony Eyanson struck out seven, and the Chesapeake Baysox hit three solo home runs in a 5-2 win over the Reading Fightin Phils at FirstEnergy Stadium.

[READ MORE ONLINE](#)

marylandsportsblog.com

BALTIMORE ORIOLES

BALTIMORE ORIOLES



ORIOLES vs. RAYS

4-GAME SERIES PREVIEW

 **AUG. 14-17**

 **TROPICANA FIELD**

BALTIMORE ORIOLES
58-63

VS

TAMPA BAY RAYS
74-46

SERIES SCHEDULE

1  FRI, AUG. 14 7:10 PM	2  SAT, AUG. 15 6:10 PM	3  SUN, AUG. 16 12:15 PM	4  MON, AUG. 17 6:05 PM
KYLE BRADISH — VS. — STEVEN MATZ	TREVOR ROGERS — VS. — IAN SEYMOUR	BRANDON YOUNG — VS. — FREDDY PERALTA	SHANE BAZ — VS. — NICK MARTINEZ

FEATURE STORY

Orioles Open Four-Game Road Series Against Red-Hot Rays

The Baltimore Orioles head to St. Petersburg for one of their toughest series of August when they open a four-game set against the American League East-leading Tampa...

[READ MORE ONLINE](#)

marylandsportsblog.com

MARYLAND SPORTS BLOG WEEKLY MAGAZINE

08

BALTIMORE ORIOLES

BALTIMORE ORIOLES **MARYLANDSPORTSBLOG.COM**
YOUR SOURCE FOR MARYLAND SPORTS NEWS

FINAL SCORE
4 vs 3
BALTIMORE ORIOLES 60-63 **10 INNINGS** **TAMPA BAY RAYS 74-48**

KEY PLAYERS
3-5, HR (27), R
THE SEASON
ENCARNACION-STRAND: 1-4, HR (5), RBI
IN THE 6TH INNING
: 1-4, RBI
Y SINGLE IN THE 10TH
PERSON: 1-4, R, BB
S: SAVE (3)
IDE IN THE BOTTOM OF THE 10TH

O'NEILL DELIVERS IN EXTRAS
 Tyler O'Neill drove in the automatic runner with an RBI single in the top of the 10th inning and Cam Sanders shut the door in the bottom half as the Orioles edged the Rays, 4-3, in 10 innings at Tropicana Field.

Pete Alonso and Christian Encarnacion-Strand homered to give Baltimore a 3-1 lead, but Tampa Bay rallied to tie the game in the 9th. The O's picked up their second straight one-run win over the AL East leaders.

RAYS KEY PLAYERS
 ▶ **JUNIOR CAMINERO: 1-4,**
 RBI INFIELD SINGLE IN THE 9TH
 ▶ **CEDRIC MULLINS: 1-4, 3B**
 RBI TRIPLE IN THE 6TH INNING
 ▶ **TAYLOR WALLS: 1-3, 2B**
 SINGLED AND ADVANCED ON ERR
 ▶ **IAN SEYMOUR (L): 6.0 IP, 6**
 STRUCK OUT 9 ORIOLES

MSB MARYLAND SPORTS BLOG
NEXT GAME
ORIOLES vs RAYS
SUNDAY, AUGUST 16, 2026
 1:40 PM ET | TROPICANA FIELD | ST. PETERSBURG, FL

COVERING MARYLAND'S TEAMS • ALL LEVELS • ALL THE TIME

SECTION LEAD

O'Neill Delivers in Extras as Orioles Edge Rays 4-3

The Baltimore Orioles defeated the Tampa Bay Rays, 4-3, in 10 innings Saturday night at Tropicana Field, earning their second consecutive one-run...

AUGUST 14, 2026
ORIOLES 6 - 5 RAYS
ORIOLES EDGE RAYS
BALTIMORE SNAPS TAMPA BAY'S WIN STREAK

Henderson, Beavers Lift Orioles Past Rays, 6-5, to Snap Tampa Bay's Nine-Game Winning Streak...

The Baltimore Orioles opened a critical American League East series with one of their biggest wins of the season Friday...

BAYSOX BASEBALL
CHESAPEAKE BAYSOX
ORIOLES DOUBLE-A AFFILIATE
CHESAPEAKE BAYSOX WIN BEHIND THREE HOMERS

Chesapeake Baysox Defeat Reading Fightin Phils 5-2 as Anthony Eyanson Fans Seven...

Anthony Eyanson struck out seven, and the Chesapeake Baysox hit three solo home runs in a 5-2 win over the...

BALTIMORE ORIOLES



Orioles Open Four-Game Road Series Against Red-Hot Rays

The Baltimore Orioles head to St. Petersburg for one of their toughest series of August when they open a four-game set against the American...

[READ THE FULL STORY](#)



Chesapeake Baysox Baseball Falls 6-4 to Reading Fightin Phils as Anderson De Los Santos Homers...

Anderson De Los Santos hit a two-run ninth-inning homer, but the Chesapeake Baysox fell 6-4 to the Reading Fightin Phils at FirstEnergy Stadium.

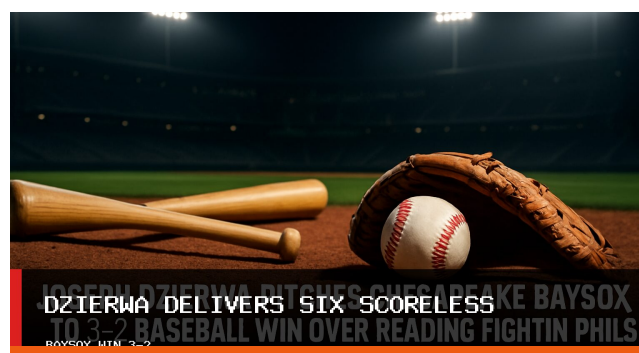
[READ THE FULL STORY](#)



Orioles Top Prospect Rankings Look Completely Different After Draft, Trade Deadline Shakeup...

The Baltimore Orioles farm system has undergone a remarkable transformation in only a few months. When MLB Pipeline released its preseason Orioles Top...

[READ THE FULL STORY](#)



Joseph Dzierwa Pitches Chesapeake Baysox to 3-2 Victory Over Reading Fightin Phils...

Joseph Dzierwa pitched six scoreless innings with seven strikeouts as the Chesapeake Baysox defeated the Reading Fightin Phils 3-2 on Aug. 12, 2026.

[READ THE FULL STORY](#)

BALTIMORE ORIOLES



Orioles Blow Early Lead as Twins Rally for 7-5 Victory

The Baltimore Orioles built an early three-run advantage Wednesday afternoon but could not hold it, falling to the Minnesota Twins, 7-5, at Target Field.....

[READ THE FULL STORY](#)



Orioles Power Past Twins 5-2 Behind Three Home Runs, Strong Outing From Brandon Young...

The Baltimore Orioles defeated the Minnesota Twins 5-2 Tuesday night at Target Field, using...

[READ THE FULL STORY](#)



Chesapeake Baysox Announce 69-Game 2027 Home Schedule With April 6 Opener...

The Chesapeake Baysox announced a 69-game 2027 home schedule featuring an April 6 opener against the Richmond Flying Squirrels and a Sept. 5 finale...

[READ THE FULL STORY](#)



Chesapeake Baysox Baseball Falls 9-5 as Aron Estrada Ties Team Home Run Lead...

Aron Estrada hit his 17th homer of the season, but the Chesapeake Baysox fell 9-5 to the Reading Fightin Phils at FirstEnergy Stadium.

[READ THE FULL STORY](#)

BALTIMORE ORIOLES



Orioles Add Another Top Prospect to Adley Rutschman Trade as Harold Rivas Heads to Baltimore...

The Baltimore Orioles' return for Adley Rutschman just became even more substantial. The Boston Red Sox are sending 18-year-old outfielder...

[READ THE FULL STORY](#)

BALTIMORE RAVENS



SECTION LEAD

Ravens Add Veteran Running Back Jonathan Ward to Bolster Training Camp Depth...

The Baltimore Ravens added another experienced option to their backfield Sunday, signing veteran running back Jonathan Ward as training camp moves...



Ravens Dominate Eagles 24-7 in Jesse Minter's Preseason Debut

The Baltimore Ravens opened the 2026 preseason with a convincing 24-7 victory over the Philadelphia Eagles Saturday night at M&T...



Kendall Lamm Retires Less Than Two Weeks After Signing With Ravens

The Baltimore Ravens' search for veteran offensive tackle depth is back to square one. Veteran tackle Kendall Lamm has retired...

BALTIMORE RAVENS



Ravens Activate Linebacker, Buchanan, Off PUP List

The Baltimore Ravens activated linebacker Teddy Buchanan of the physically-unable-to-perform list on Friday, after he passed his physical. Buchanan is working back from a.....

[READ THE FULL STORY](#)



Ravens Open Preseason Against Eagles: Young Players Take Center Stage in Baltimore...

The Baltimore Ravens will finally get their first look at the 2026 roster in game action Saturday night when the Philadelphia Eagles visit...

[READ THE FULL STORY](#)



Pernell McPhee Officially Retires as a Baltimore Raven, Closing the Book on a Super Bowl Career...

The Baltimore Ravens made it official Thursday: Pernell McPhee is retiring as a Raven. Baltimore congratulated the longtime outside...

[READ THE FULL STORY](#)



Travis Jones Returns to Ravens Practice After Passing Physical

The Baltimore Ravens received an important boost to their defensive line Tuesday as defensive tackle Travis Jones returned to...

[READ THE FULL STORY](#)

BALTIMORE RAVENS



Ravens Place Skylar Thompson on Injured Reserve, Sign UFL Record-Setter Austin Reed...

The Baltimore Ravens made a change to their quarterback room Wednesday, placing veteran quarterback Skylar Thompson...

[READ THE FULL STORY](#)



Ravens Avoid Major Injury as Nate Wiggins Scary Practice Exit Reportedly Ends With Good News...

The Baltimore Ravens appeared to dodge what could have been one of the...

[READ THE FULL STORY](#)

WASHINGTON CAPITALS AND HERSHEY BEARS



SECTION LEAD

South Carolina Stingrays Fan Fest 2026 With Jesse Kallechy Q&A Ahead of 2026-27 Open...

South Carolina Stingrays Fan Fest 2026 will take place Aug. 22 at North Charleston Coliseum, featuring a Jesse Kallechy Q&A and season-ticket activities....



South Carolina Stingrays Extend MUSC Health Partnership Ahead of 34th Season...

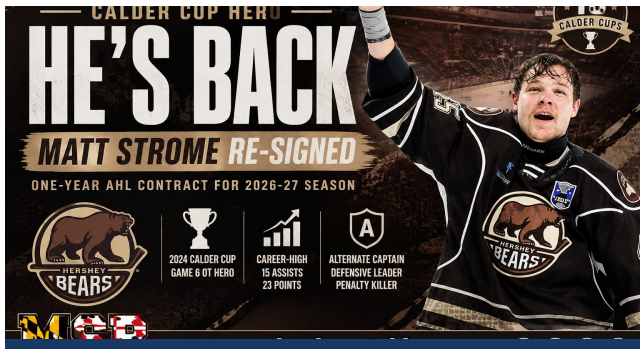
The South Carolina Stingrays extend their MUSC Health partnership ahead of the team's 34th season, continuing sports medicine support and...



South Carolina Stingrays Agree to Terms With Defenseman Justin Bean for 2026-27 Season...

The South Carolina Stingrays agreed to terms with defenseman Justin Bean for the 2026-27 season. Bean brings 181 ECHL games...

WASHINGTON CAPITALS AND HERSHEY BEARS



Hershey Bears Re-Sign Calder Cup Hero Matt Strome for 2026-27 Season...

The Hershey Bears are bringing back one of the most recognizable members of their recent championship core....

[READ THE FULL STORY](#)

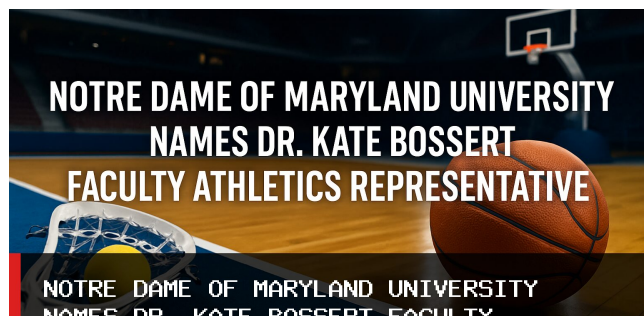
MARYLAND COLLEGE SPORTS



SECTION LEAD

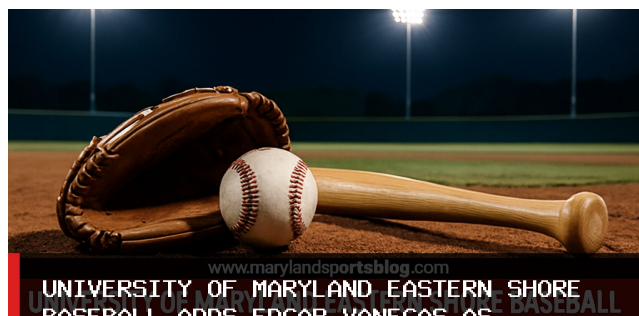
Salisbury University Men's Golf Team Unveils Five-Event 10-Round 202...

The Salisbury University men's golf team will play 10 rounds across five events in September and October 2026, beginning at the Dickinson Fall Invitation...



Notre Dame of Maryland University Names Dr. Kate Bossert Faculty Athletics Representative...

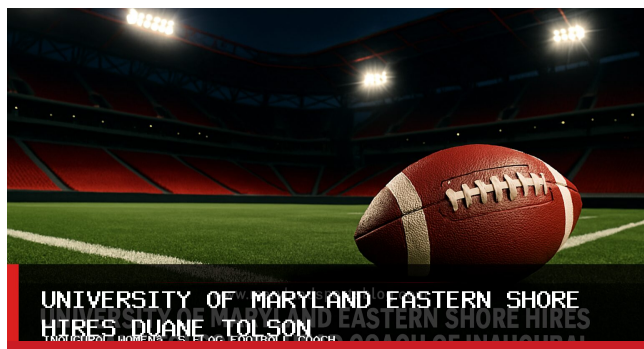
Notre Dame of Maryland University named Dr. Kate Bossert Faculty Athletics Representative for the Notre Dame of Maryland Athletic Department....



University of Maryland Eastern Shore Baseball Adds Edgar Vanegas as Graduate Assistant Coach Ahea...

The University of Maryland Eastern Shore baseball program added Edgar Vanegas as a graduate assistant coach ahead of the 2027...

MARYLAND COLLEGE SPORTS



University of Maryland Eastern Shore Hires Duane Tolson as Head Coach of Inaugural Women s Flag...

The University of Maryland Eastern Shore hired alumnus Duane Tolson as head coach of its inaugural women s flag football team ahead of the program s...

[READ THE FULL STORY](#)



Jovanny Zarzabal Returns to Coppin State Baseball Coaching Staff

By Brian Hradsky Coppin State baseball is bringing back a familiar face as head coach Sherman Reed announced that Jovanny Zarzabal has returned to...

[READ THE FULL STORY](#)



Former Morgan State Standout Stanley Davis Jr. Named Finalist for CEBL Sixth Man of the Year...

Former Morgan State men s basketball standout Stanley Bazz Davis Jr. has added another milestone to his professional career. Davis...

[READ THE FULL STORY](#)



Bowie State University Aquatics Center Contact and Schedule Information Released...

Bowie State University Athletics posted an Aquatic Facility Weekly Schedule for the Aquatics Center and listed Mark Wascavage as the contact for more information...

[READ THE FULL STORY](#)

MARYLAND COLLEGE SPORTS



Frostburg State University Women s Soccer Team Earns 19th Consecutive United Soccer Coaches Academic...

Frostburg State University Women's Soccer Team earned its 19th consecutive United Soccer Coaches College Team Academic Award after posting a 3.77 GPA for the.....

[READ THE FULL STORY](#)



UMBC Opens 2026 Season With 3-1 Win Over Mount St. Mary s

BALTIMORE UMBC opened the 2026 women s soccer season with an impressive offensive performance Thursday night, defeating in-state rival Mount St. Mary s, 3-1, at.....

[READ THE FULL STORY](#)



Loyola Women s Soccer Battles William & Mary to 1-1 Draw in 2026 Season Opener...

The Loyola University Maryland women s soccer team opened the 2026 season by showing some early resilience, battling William & Mary to...

[READ THE FULL STORY](#)

MARYLAND HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS

MARYLAND HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS

SECTION LEAD

Maryland Interscholastic Athletic Association Accepts Salesianum...

Salesianum School rugby has been accepted as an associate member of the Maryland Interscholastic Athletic Association and will begin conference competition...

SALESIANUM SCHOOL RUGBY JOINS THE
MARYLAND INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION
AS AN ASSOCIATE MEMBER FOR SPRING 2021
WWW.MARYLANDSPORTS.ORG



Gunston School Promotes Erin DeFalco to Director of Athletics

Gunston School promoted Erin DeFalco to Director of Athletics after she served as Associate Director of Athletics and School Transportation...

WASHINGTON MYSTICS



SECTION LEAD

Washington Mystics Seven-Game Winning Streak Ends Against Las Vegas Ac...

The Washington Mystics' seven-game winning streak ended against the Las Vegas Aces, but Washington maintained advantages in rebounding and points in t...



Washington Mystics Fall to Las Vegas Aces Behind Shakira Austin's Season-High 29 Points...

Shakira Austin scored a season-high 29 points, while Sonia Citron reached multiple milestones in the Washington Mystics' loss to the...

WASHINGTON NATIONALS



SECTION LEAD

Nationals Blow Late Lead as Mets Rally for 5-4 Walk-Off Win

The Washington Nationals were three outs away from picking up a much-needed road victory Saturday afternoon. Instead, the New York Mets rallied for two...



Nationals Bats Go Quiet as Mets Rally for 4-1 Win

The Washington Nationals received another strong start from Andrew Alvarez on Friday night, but the offense could not provide enough...

ADVERTISE WITH

MARYLAND SPORTS BLOG

Reach Maryland sports fans every week through sidebar ads, sponsored content, social promotions, newsletter sponsorships and event coverage.

SPONSOR SPACE AVAILABLE

Advertise with Maryland Sports Blog

MARYLANDSPORTSBLOG.COM/ADVERTISE-ON-US/