

# Bulldog Baseball



# Gameday

March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2023  
vs Rainier Beach



*"Fair Play Necessitates that all Competitors have the same Chance for Success"*

## About Today's Game - News & Notes

### Bulldogs vs. Vikings

Welcome to neighborhood baseball!

Coach Moe's Bulldogs continue moving up in the Metro league standings hoping to get a high seed, as that garners a bye in the first rounds.

*Garfield outlasted an improved Cleveland Eagle team winning in 7 innings 10-2. All the Eagles runs were unearned.*

Pitching highlights > Ben Bennett (C) Sr. got the start went 3 strong innings had 8 K's/0Hit/0Run, along came the relievers all getting time on the mound with Jordan Hurd (Jr) getting the final 3 outs 2K/0Hit/0Run. Gavin Niccoli (Jr) and Eli Knopf (Jr) held the battery together and performed well with their respective pitchers.

Offensively> DJ Parker (Jr) had quite the day, getting on base 3 out of 4 times, 2 solid hits, scoring 2 runs with 1 RBI

Defensively> we had 2 errors, that allowed 2 runs. Room for improvement and some learning from their mistakes is always good as the season progresses.

Today's game features our neighborly Rainier Beach Vikings who come in here hoping to rebound from a tough loss, but remembering they almost beat Cleveland in that 13-12 loss a game or so back. It's still early in the season so there is opportunity to strive for that better play all around as a team.

Most likely Saul Johnson (Jr) will get the start, and we should see Henry Smidt (C) (Sr) back in the lineup once again holding down SS and leading off.

Enjoy cheering for your team!

## 2023 Schedule

Date	Opponent	Field	Time/ Result
3/14	@ Issaquah	Issaquah HS	3 - 5 L
3/15	@ Newport - Bellevue	Newport HS	2 - 3 L
3/17	@ Shorecrest	Shorecrest HS	7 - 2 W
3/20	@ Nathan Hale *	Meadowbrook	2 - 0 W
3/22	@ Ingraham *	NWAC	5 - 3 W
3/24	@ Lincoln *	Lower Woodland	0 - 8 L
3/27	vs Cleveland *	Garfield HS	10 - 2 W
3/29	vs Rainier Beach *	Garfield HS	4:00 pm
3/31	vs Chief Sealth *	Garfield HS	4:00 pm
4/3	vs Bishop Blanchet *	Garfield HS	4:00 pm
4/5	vs O'Dea *	Garfield HS	4:00 pm
4/8	@ Auburn Riverside	T-Mobile Park	11:00 am
4/10	@ Eastside Catholic *	Eastside Catholic HS	4:00 pm
4/12	@ Franklin *	Franklin HS	3:30 pm
4/14	vs Ballard *	Garfield HS	7:00 pm
4/17	vs Lakeside *	Garfield HS	4:00 pm
4/19	@ West Seattle	West Seattle HS	7:00 pm
4/21	@ Roosevelt *	Roosevelt HS	4:00 pm
4/24	vs Seattle Prep *	Garfield HS	4:00 pm
4/28	vs Mercer Island	Garfield HS	4:00 pm
4/29	@ Bellevue	Bellevue HS	1:00 pm

\* District Game

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## 2023 Metro 3A Current Standings

Team	League	Win %	Overall	Win %
<b>Mountain Division</b>				
Bishop Blanchet	2-0	1.000	6-0	1.000
Eastside Catholic	2-1	.667	3-4	.429
Seattle Prep	1-1	.500	5-1	.833
Lakeside	1-2	.333	3-3	.500
O'Dea	1-2	.333	2-4	.333
<b>Sound Division</b>				
West Seattle	3-0	1.000	8-0	1.000
Chief Sealth	4-0	1.000	8-1	.889
Garfield	3-1	.750	4-3	.571
Roosevelt	2-1	.667	6-2	.750
Lincoln (Seattle)	2-1	.667	5-2	.714
Ballard	2-2	.500	3-5	.375
Franklin	1-2	.333	2-3	.400
Nathan Hale	1-3	.250	3-4	.429
Cleveland	1-3	.250	1-3	.250
Ingraham	0-3	.000	3-6	.333
Rainier Beach	0-4	.000	0-4	.000

# ~ Get to know the Players ~

**#14 Gavin Niccoli**

**2B, RHP, C**

**Jr**

- 1) *Who introduced you to baseball? Any details from your first game experience or season?* My dad first introduced me to the game of baseball because my brother played. I joined one of Seattle Central Little League's T-ball teams and participated in a fun season of disorganized fielding and hitters running the wrong way around the bases.
- 2) *What hobbies/interests do you have outside of baseball?* One of my biggest hobbies outside of baseball is skiing. I learned how to ski at a young age and never looked back. I have been skiing at Mt Baker for over a decade now. This winter was particularly fun and full of skiing with both friends and family.
- 3) *What would you like to see changed in MLB Baseball & Why?* One thing that i think they need to change about baseball is the pitch clock. I think that they need to take it out of high pressure situations or just take it out entirely. While it may speed the game up i don't think that it is good for the game of baseball.
- 4) *What is your favorite book and why did you enjoy it?* My favorite book hasn't changed since i was a child. It is the book Fantastic Mr Fox. This book has never gotten old for me and the cleverness and resilience of the characters are what make it so special to me.
- 5) *Who are your favorite baseball players and teams from the past & why?* My favorite team is of course the mariners and my favorite player is Mitch Haniger although he got traded from the mariners in the off season. It was fun to go to games and watch them play especially now that we are winning most of them. I like Haniger because of his clutchness and his ability to hit the ball out of the yard.

**#7 Eli Knopf**

**C, 3B, RHP**

**Jr**

- 1) *Who introduced you to baseball? Any details from your first game experience or season?* my dad introduced me to the game, and from what I can remember about my first game is that it was a whole new level of competition that I had never felt before and I loved it.
- 2) *What hobbies/interests do you have outside of baseball?* one of my hobbies out side of baseball is eating and making great food.
- 3) *What would you like to see changed in MLB Baseball & Why?* the mlb should add the mercy rule to make the games more important.
- 4) *What is your favorite book and why did you enjoy it?* my favorite book is born a crime by Trevor Noah, because it talks about someone's experience being born a crime during the apartheid.
- 5) *Who are your favorite baseball players and teams from the past & why?* my favorite player ever is Roberto Clemente because first of all my middle name is Clemente so I have a different connection with him and I love the passion he had for the game and the compassion he had for helping people. My favorite team has been the marines but it's been hard to be a fan the past years because of the lack of talent but now I can confidently say they are my favorite team.

## Gameday Rosters

### Garfield Bulldogs

#	Name	Pos	Ht	Wt	Yr
2	Saul Johnson	RHP, OF, 3B	6-0	175	Jr
3	Jeremy Cogswell	OF	6-0	170	Sr
4	Eli Herst	3B, RHP, C	6-3	170	Fr
5	Oliver Hogan (C)	3B, SS	6-2	195	Sr
6	Max Gelpi	LHP, OF	6-2	165	Sr
7	Eli Knopf	C, 3B, RHP	6-2	190	Jr
8	Noah Lippman	2B, OF, RHP	5-10	180	Sr
9	Wyatt Bare	LHP, OF	6-0	170	So
11	Henry Smidt (C)	SS, RHP	6-2	170	Sr
13	Prince Davis	OF, 2B, RHP	5-9	160	So
14	Gavin Niccoli	2B, C, RHP	5-9	150	Jr
18	Ben Bennett (C)	LHP, 1B, OF	6-1	195	Sr
19	Juan Cano	C, 3B	6-1	230	Sr
20	Jordan Hurd	1B, LHP, OF	6-3	195	Jr
21	Aaron Bossett	OF, 3B, RHP	5-9	205	Sr
24	DJ Parker	OF, RHP	6-0	165	Jr
25	J.T. Wayne	OF, SS, 2B	5-9	165	Jr
	Sarah Lessig	RHP, 2B, SS	6-0	140	So

Head Coach: Chris Moedritzer

(C) = Captain

### Rainier Beach Vikings

#	Name	Pos	Ht	Wt	Yr
2	Jeylani Megenow				Sr
3	Jonathan Santos				Sr
4	Von Espejo				Jr
5	Charles Mored				
6	Tywan Hillis				Sr
8	Andrew Paul				Jr
9	Cassius Culpepper				Fr
10	Cesar Tello				Sr
11	Diego Mancilla				So
12	Prince Atiae				So
13	Tevin Le				Sr
14	Cyril Adsuara				Sr
14	Dylan Abonita				Sr
15	Jeren Regala				Fr
17	Idris Ali				Fr
19	Xander Nagasawa				So
20	Alvin David				Sr
21	Dallas Afalava				Sr
22	Nolan Seni				Sr
	Brandon Ragútero				Sr
	Mike Dizon				Jr
	Judge Pedro				Sr

Head Coach: Matt Fields

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