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West Deptford, Audubon still perfect after narrow victories

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West Deptford and Audubon remained unbeaten and atop the Colonial Conference and Middle Township's Scott DeCecco tossed a no-hitter to highlight Wednesday's scholastic baseball action.

West Deptford edged previously unbeaten Collingswood 9-8 in nine innings and Audubon doubled Paulsboro 4-2.

West Deptford scored four runs in the top of the seventh inning to take an 8-7 lead against Collingswood but Brad Kline's homer sent the game into extra innings.

Jake Leise singled home Tony Urban, who had reached base on an error and stole second, with the winning run in the ninth.

Wade Geis struck out 11 and kept his ERA at 0.00 with a four-hitter in Audubon's conquest. Zach Fadio's RBI single in the second inning gave the Green Wave the lead it would never relinquish.

Vince Marchese was 4-for-4 with a home run and four RBIs and Ryan Franzeo ripped a three-run triple in a nine-run second inning as Sterling rolled over Haddon Heights 15-5 in five innings.

Olympic: Unbeaten Cherry Hill East scored eight runs in the first inning and coasted to a 12-6 win over Eastern in an American Division game. Ryan Martin had a double and two singles in the Cougars' 16-hit attack.

Brian Rice struck out seven and Rob Mitchell went 3-for-3 with two home runs and six RBIs as Camden Catholic handed Timber Creek its first loss, 11-3. Dave Smith also homered for the Irish. Ryan McKeown and John Garozzo had homers for the Chargers.

Tri-County: Overbrook stayed unbeaten with a 9-6 triumph over Clearview as Chris Allebach allowed one run in five innings for his second win and Joe Merlino clouted a solo homer. Matt Misiolek had two hits and two RBIs as the Rams scored eight runs in the fourth inning.

Penns Grove remained perfect with a 4-3 win over Cumberland behind Don Haines' five-hit pitching and Jon Coppage's solo home run.

Alec Mog pitched a four-hitter and retired the last 14 batters and Mike Carey doubled home two runs in the fifth inning to help Delsea post its first win, a 3-1 decision over Gloucester Catholic.

Cape-Atlantic: DeCecco struck out eight, walked four and socked a two-run homer while pitching his no-hitter in Middle Township's 14-1 win over Wildwood Catholic. He also had a single and drove in two runs.

Buena scored three runs in the sixth inning and three in the seventh to hand Sacred Heart its first loss, 7-6. Wade Bottelini's bases-clearing double with two outs in the top of the seventh made reliever Marco Corolla the winning pitcher. Bryan Silipino homered for the Chiefs. Josh Moren and Juan Velazquez connected for the Lions.

Vineland stayed unbeaten with a 13-8 conquest of Ocean City as Jose Ramos struck out 12 and Dave King was 2-for-3 with a home run, double and three RBIs.
