



## **CWS Game 1 Notes: Cal State Fullerton vs. Oregon State Saturday, June 17, 2017**

**Oregon State 6, Cal State Fullerton 5, – Attendance 22,656 (MCWS Total: 22,656; Avg. 22,656) – Time of Game: 3:28**

### **Oregon State (55-4):**

- Oregon State entered the CWS with the best winning percentage (.931) for a team entering the event since Texas held a 57-4 (.934) record in 1982 and the 11th best winning percentage ever for a team going into the CWS.
- OSU holds a 22-game winning streak, the longest active streak, and the second-longest streak in the nation this season ... The Beavers won 23 consecutive games earlier this season.
- The Beavers are a perfect 6-0 in the 2017 postseason.
- The Beavers are now 2-4 all-time against Cal State Fullerton ... OSU's only other victory against the Titans came during the opening round of the 2007 CWS before the Beavers won its second consecutive national title.
- Oregon State trailed for the first time this postseason entering the bottom of the sixth when Fullerton held a 5-1 advantage...The victory ties the largest deficit the Beavers have overcome to win this season...OSU rallied from being down by four against Abilene Christian on May 26 en route to a 5-4 win.
- The Beavers are the second team to overcome 4-run deficit to win game since College World Series moved to TD Ameritrade Park in 2011 (South Carolina overcame 4-0 deficit vs Texas A&M in 2011)
- Oregon State is 57-33 all-time in the NCAA postseason, including 14-8 at the College World Series (two national championships) ... Head coach Pat Casey is 52-21 overall during the postseason and holds a mark of 14-6 in games played in Omaha, which includes national titles in 2006 and 2007.
- Oregon State is the only team in Division I baseball (293 teams) with single-digit losses.
- The Beavers hold a school-record 55 wins ... Previous high was 52 in 2013.
- OSU's six runs are the most allowed in a game this postseason by Cal State Fullerton ... The Beavers' five late-inning runs are the most allowed by the Fullerton bullpen in the postseason.
- Oregon State's run in the second was the first earned run (second run) allowed by Cal State Fullerton in 27 innings ... The Titans had not allowed an earned run since giving up three in its 3-0 loss to Long Beach State on June 9 in the first game of the Long Beach Super Regional.
- Reliever Jake Mulholland didn't allow a hit in 4.1 innings of relief work to earn the win and improve to 7-1 on the season and pick up his first victory of the postseason...he retired 12 of the 13 batters he faced, issuing just one walk in the sixth inning ... Mulholland has yet to allow an earned run during 31.1 innings of non-conference action this season ... He was named a Freshman All-American by both the NCBWA and Collegiate Baseball.
- Drew Rasmussen fired a hitless top of the ninth, striking out two batters, to earn his second save of the season ... It was his first save of the postseason.
- Starting pitcher Jake Thompson threw his shortest start of the season, going 3.2 innings and giving up a season-high five wins...He was in line for his first loss of the season until the Beavers put together their sixth-inning, game-tying rally...Thompson leads the nation with 14 wins, which is also tied for the most in a single-season by an Oregon State pitcher ... He claimed spots on the Baseball America, Collegiate Baseball and All-Pac-12 Conference First Teams.
- Catcher Adley Rutschman came up with the game-winning hit in the bottom of the eighth inning...he also gunned down his first runner of the postseason when he caught Fullerton's Dillon Persinger attempting to nab second in the third inning.
- Jack Anderson was a perfect 3-for-3 at the plate after going 0-for-6 in the Super Regionals against Vanderbilt.
- After a 2-for-4 showing at the plate against Cal State Fullerton, Nick Madrigal is now 9-for-15 in his last four games.
- OSU's leadoff batter Steven Kwan was awarded first base on catcher's interference in the bottom of the first inning. It marked the first time a player was awarded catcher's interference since 2009. (Brian Dozier, ph, Southern Miss vs. Texas, 6-14-09, the catcher was Cameron Rupp).
- The three runs allowed by Oregon State in the top of the first is only the eighth time in 538 innings pitched that the Beavers have allowed three-plus runs.



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### Cal State Fullerton (39-23):

- Cal State Fullerton made its 18th CWS appearance overall, which is tied for seventh among all teams.
- The Titans are the only team in the 2017 CWS field that won a Super Regional away from home (winning the Long Beach Super Regional in three games).
- CSF is now 39-23 and has allowed 15 runs in seven NCAA Tournament games so far.
- Cal State Fullerton is one of three teams in the CWS that is not nationally seeded ... The Titans eliminated No. 8 national seed Stanford with two wins over the Cardinal during the regional round in Palo Alto, Calif.
- Cal State Fullerton is 4-2 all-time against Oregon State, but 0-2 against the Beavers at the College World Series (3-2 loss in 2007 and 6-5 loss today).
- CSF is 34-30 all-time at the College World Series ... The Titans own four national titles (1979, 1984, 1995, 2004) ... Their four CWS titles rank second among the 2017 field.
- The Titans have lost their last eight games at the CWS, including 0-2 showings during their past three appearances (2007, 2009, 2015) ... Fullerton's last win came during the 2006 CWS against Clemson ... CSF is 0-3 all-time at TD Ameritrade Park Omaha.
- Cal State Fullerton has reached the postseason 24 consecutive times, the second longest streak in the nation behind Florida State (40).
- The Titans are 30-10 when scoring first this season, 5-1 during the postseason ... 4-7 when tied after six innings, 2-8 after seven, and 1-20 when trailing after eight.
- Timmy Richards is now 11-for-23 during six postseason games ... Richards' three-run home run in the top of the first inning was his fifth homer of the year ... He owns three extra-base hits and seven RBIs in seven postseason games.
- Richards' homer is the first home run hit in the top of the first inning of a CWS game since Zach Collins (Miami) during game five of the 2016 World Series ... It is also the first home run hit in the 2017 CWS ... The first home run of the 2016 CWS did not occur until the fifth inning of game three (Cam Warner, TCU).
- Fullerton's three first inning runs were the most in the top of the first inning of Game One of the CWS since 2006 when Georgia Tech scored three against Clemson.
- The Titans are now 20-5 when scoring in the first inning, 30-10 when scoring first and 5-1 when scoring first this postseason.
- Oregon State's run in the second is the first earned run (second run) allowed by Cal State Fullerton in 27 innings. The Titans had not allowed an earned run since giving up three in their 3-0 loss to Long Beach State on June 9 in the first game of the Long Beach Super Regional.
- Chris Hudgins is 9-for-23 (.391) with five runs and 8 RBI in seven games this postseason.
- Hudgins' two-run single in the fourth ties Scott Hurst for most multi-RBI games (nine) for the Titans this season. It is his fifth two-RBI game of the year.
- Hudgins has now reached base safely in nine consecutive games ... It is the Titans' longest active on-base streak ... The longest, non-active streak of the season is held by Richards (22).
- Today's five-inning outing is the shortest of three postseason starts for Connor Seabold ... His previous low was 5.1 on June 9 vs. Long Beach State (L, 3-0). It is also the shortest outing for a CSF starter during this season's tournament.
- Seabold remained 1-1 in postseason play with a no-decision Saturday ... Through 17.1 innings, Seabold has allowed 21 hits, six runs, six earned runs, three walks and struck out 14.
- Colton Eastman made his ninth appearance of the season, and just his second relief appearance of the season in the 6<sup>th</sup> inning ... He had not thrown from the bullpen since picking up a save vs. No. 23 Stanford (W, 1-0) in the season opener.
- Eastman surrendered his first earned runs since May 21 vs. Cal State Northridge (21.1 innings) ... All four runs in the sixth were charged to the sophomore right-hander ... Eastman is the 1st pitcher to walk 4 batters in less than an inning at CWS since Miami's Jason Adge vs USC in 1995.
- Oregon State's four runs in the sixth and go-ahead run in the eighth stand as the most runs (5) allowed in a single game by the Titans' bullpen this postseason ... Prior to Nick Madrigal's sacrifice fly in the sixth, the Cal State Fullerton bullpen had given up just one earned run in 11.1 innings of work during the postseason (June 3 vs. Stanford).
- Prior to today, the last time the CSF bullpen had suffered a loss was May 27 vs. Long Beach State (L, 1-0) ... The last blown lead for the bullpen was May 21 vs. Cal State Northridge (L, 8-4).
- Cal State Fullerton is the 7th team to score 5 runs on 3 or fewer hits in College World Series -- 1st since New Orleans in 1984.



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##### **Runs Notes:**

- Of the last 56 teams to score five or more runs at the CWS, 51 of them have won (Virginia lost 10-5 to Florida/2015, Virginia lost 9-8 to Vanderbilt/ 2014, TCU lost 7-5 to Coastal Carolina/2016, TCU lost 7-5 to Coastal Carolina/2016, Cal State Fullerton lost 6-5 to Oregon State/2017 ) – since 2010 at Rosenblatt ... Since the CWS moved to TD Ameritrade Park, teams that score at least 5 runs are 45-5 (.900) ...
- Cal State Fullerton scored three runs in the top of the 1st inning to become the first team to score in top of 1st in Game 1 of CWS since Vanderbilt in 2011.
- Cal State Fullerton's three first inning runs were the most in the top of the first inning of Game 1 of the College World Series since 2006 ... Georgia Tech scored three runs in top of the first against Clemson (6/16/06).
- Timmy Richards home run during the top of the first inning marked the first home run in the top of the first inning of Game 1 of the CWS since Georgia Tech's Jeff Kindel hit a home run against Clemson (6/16/06) ... Richards and Kindel were both the fourth batter of each game ... There had never been a homer in the top of the first inning of Game 1 of the CWS at TD Ameritrade Park Omaha (since 2011) before today.
- Of the 11 runs scored during Game 1, 9 were scored via a hit, 1 scored on a sac fly and 1 scored on a fielder's choice.

##### **Pitching Notes**

- Neither starting pitcher lasted more than five innings (Oregon State's Jake Thompson, 3.2 IP; Fullerton's Connor Seabold, 5.0 IP) ... Last CWS game when both starters lasted fewer innings was Game 12 (6/24/16) of the 2016 CWS between Arizona and Oklahoma State (both pitchers went less than 3 innings).
- The Oregon State bullpen did not allow a run in 5.1 innings of work.

##### **Taking The Lead Notes:**

- Teams leading after eight innings have won 98 of the last 100 CWS games (Vanderbilt overcame a 3-1 deficit to defeat Cal State Fullerton 4-3 in Game 4 of 2015; TCU scored three runs in top of ninth to beat Texas Tech in Game 3 of 2016) ...

##### **Miscellaneous Notes**

- The second ever video replay in College World Series history came during the top of the 8<sup>th</sup> inning; original call was a catch by Cal State Fullerton's Scott Hurst against the left-center field wall ... Call on field was upheld – the first time a call was upheld after replay.
- Oregon State's Tyler Malone became the first pinch-hitter of the 2017 College World Series when he entered with one on and one out in the bottom of the 6<sup>th</sup> inning ... Malone drew a full-count walk.
- Five national seeds are in this year's field (No. 1 Oregon State, No. 3 Florida, No. 4 LSU, No. 6 TCU, No. 7 Louisville); the most since 2011 (six) ... 2011 is the last year a national seed claimed the national championship when South Carolina won during the first CWS at TD Ameritrade Park Omaha.
- Oregon State is seeking to become only the second No. 1 national seed to win the title as Miami (FL) won the 1999 crown during the first year of national seeding.
- Seven national seeds have won the national championship during 18 years of seeding (since 1999).
- Each of the eight schools at this year's College World Series have played during at least one CWS at TD Ameritrade Park Omaha (park opened in 2011) ... Two were in last year's field as TCU advanced to its fourth consecutive CWS and Florida is in Omaha for the third consecutive year.
- For the second time in the past three years none of the participating teams are making their first appearance in Omaha.
- The eight teams have combined to win more than 74 percent of their games and have the best winning percentage of a CWS field since 2013.
- Every team in the 2017 field has appeared in at least four CWS but only three teams (Oregon State, Cal State Fullerton and LSU) have won national championships.
- Every team has had multiple CWS appearances this decade (since 2010) and every team has appeared in a CWS at TDAPO.
- The 2017 field features teams that have made a total of 26 CWS appearances this decade (since 2010) representing more than 40 percent (26 of 64) of the appearances in that span.
- The ACC is the only other league with multiple teams in the 2017 CWS field with two.
- Oregon State's CWS appearance is the 99th appearance by teams that make up the current Pac-12 conference which is tops among all conferences.