

## 2019 Season Recap

The summer of 2019 marked the 6<sup>th</sup> season of competition in the New York Collegiate Baseball League for the Genesee Rapids. The season was filled with many highlights including a playoff push that lasted until the final week but came up just short. Enjoy reliving some of our favorite memories.

- With a new points format implemented this summer giving 2 points for a win and 1 point for a tie after 10 innings, the Rapids finished the summer with 37 points and an overall record of 18-23-1. This placed them 4<sup>th</sup> in the Western Division only 2 points away from a playoff spot.
  - The 2018 roster saw 30 players suit up for the Rapids from 20 different colleges and universities.
  - Brett Lindsay, an IF from Eastern Mennonite University, was the team leader in batting average (.284), hits (40), and RBI (19).
  - Brenndan Rogers, a Pitcher from Eastern Nazarene College, was the Rapids only representative on the NYCBL All-Star Team. In the NYCBL's 3-0 victory over the Atlantic Coast Baseball League, Rogers pitched a scoreless inning with 3 strikeouts earning him the honor of the game's Most Valuable Pitcher. Rogers also had the 4<sup>th</sup> highest total of strikeouts in the league (40) and his 4.01 ERA also placed him in the top 10 of pitchers this summer (8<sup>th</sup>). He was also honored with a nomination to the NYCBL All League Team at the end of the season.
  - The Rapids played solid defense all summer long. Their .957 fielding percentage was 3<sup>rd</sup> best in the NYCBL.
  - Three different Rapids, Caleb Edman, Jaylon Lee (twice) and Brenndan Rogers (twice), earned Player of the Day Awards.
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- Kids' Day was a huge success this summer! Over 1,300 elementary school students from the area came to watch the Rapids come from behind win against Olean.
  - Over 50 campers came to this year's baseball camps where they received direct instruction from Rapids players and coaches. Potential plans for 2020 include specialized training opportunities and possibly a softball camp!
  - The Rapids fans continue to show awesome support for the team. Attendance rose about 19% to 5,231 this summer. This placed the team 3<sup>rd</sup> overall in the league for attendance. Kids' Day and Fireworks nights were the most popular games.
  - Thanks to increased concession stand sales, increased player roster size and very generous support from the Ted Hopkins Memorial Scholarship Fund, the Rapids finished the year financially in the black.