

2026 JOHN B. WOCKENFUSS S-O-M LEAGUE SEASON PREVIEW



**BALTIMORE
ORIOLES**

AMERICAN LEAGUE EAST

Manager: Dave D.

2025 Finish: 57-73 (4th Place, AL East)

Projected Starting Lineup:

C - Danny Jansen/Nick Fortes
1B - Dominic Smith
2B - Jazz Chisholm
SS - Elly De La Cruz
3B - Alex Bregman
LF - Heliot Ramos
CF - Jackson Merrill
RF - Cam Smith
DH - Jorge Soler

Top Reserves: C Tyler Heineman; 3B Brett Baty; OF Chandler Simpson; OF Jacob Young

Projected Pitching Rotation:

1. Hunter Brown - R
2. Kevin Gausman - R
3. Shota Imanaga - L
4. Drew Kremer - R
5. Casey Mize - R/Drew Rasmussen - L

Top Relievers: Kyle Finnegan; Orion Kerker; Justin Martinez; Yukei Matsui; Colin Rea

Top Draft Picks:

1. Cam Smith - of
2. Tyler Heineman - c
3. Coby Mayo - 1b
4. Chandler Simpson - of
5. Matt Festa - sp

Note: Based on editor's opinion (manager did not report)



**BOSTON
RED SOX**

AMERICAN LEAGUE EAST

Manager: Marc P.

2025 Finish: 75-55 (1st Place, AL East; lost to Royals in ALCS)

Projected Starting Lineup:

C - Yainer Diaz/Bo Naylor
1B - Jake Burger/Andrew Vaughn
2B - Gavin Lux/Jose Iglesias
SS - Bobby Witt
3B - Caleb Durbin
LF - Tommy Pham
CF - Trent Grisham/Parker Meadows
RF - Matt Wallner/Blake Perkins
DH - George Springer/Bo Bichette

Top Reserves: OF Garrett Mitchell; IF Connor Norby; UT Blaze Alexander

Projected Pitching Rotation:

1. Luis Castillo - R
2. Freddy Peralta - R
3. Jake Irvin - R
4. Bailey Ober - R
5. Pablo Lopez - R

Top Relievers: Mason Miller (closer); Mike Burrows; Raisel Iglesias; Alex Vesia; Riley O'Brien; Devin Williams

Top Draft Picks:

1. Caleb Durbin - if
2. Mike Burrows - sp/rp
3. Riley O'Brien - rp
4. Mick Abel - sp
5. Blaze Alexander - if



**CLEVELAND
GUARDIANS**

AMERICAN LEAGUE EAST

Manager: Dwayne B.

2025 Finish: 58-72 (3rd Place, AL East)

Projected Starting Lineup:

C - Ivan Herrera
1B - Spencer Horwitz/Spencer Torkelson
2B - Xavier Edwards/Brendan Donovan
SS - Colson Montgomery
3B - Curtis Mead/Noelvi Marte
LF - Riley Greene
CF - Mickey Moniak
RF - Bryan Reynolds
DH - Kyle Schwarber

Top Reserves: OF Lane Thomas, Justyn-Henry Malloy, SS Jorge Mateo, OF/IF Brendan Donovan; C Moises Ballesteros

Projected Pitching Rotation:

1. Nick Pivetta - r
2. Ranger Suarez - r
3. Carlos Rodon - l
4. Brady Singer - r
5. Cristian Javier - r/David Peterson - l

Top Relievers: Bryan Baker; Brock Burke; Jordan Hicks; Daniel Lynch

Top Draft Picks:

1. Colson Montgomery - ss
2. Moises Ballesteros - c
3. Roki Sasaki - rp/sp
4. Max Muncy - if
5. Justin Sterner - rp

Note: Pitchers based on editor's opinion



NEW YORK YANKEES

AMERICAN LEAGUE EAST

Manager: Kris R.

2025 Finish: 56-74 (5th Place, AL East)

Projected Starting Lineup:

C - Shea Langeliers/Dillon Dingler

1B - Nick Kurtz

2B - Chase Meidroth/Colt Keith

3B - Eugenio Suarez

SS - Corey Seager

LF - Lourdes Gurriel/Kyle Stowers

CF - Jung-Hoo Lee

RF - Anthony Santander

DH - Marcel Ozuna

Top Reserves: 3B/OF Addison Barger; OF Griffin Conine; IF Isaiah Kiner-Falafa; OF Eli White; IF/OF Jurickson Profar

Projected Pitching Rotation:

1. Merrill Kelly - R

2. Tanner Bibee - R

3. Christopher Sanchez - L

4. Paul Skenes - R

5. Erik Fedde - R

Top Relievers: Kenley Jansen (closer); Jack Dreyer; Tyson Miller; Tony Santillan; Troy Melton

Top Draft Picks:

1. Nick Kurtz - 1b

2. Cam Schlittler - sp

3. Chase Meidroth - if

4. Troy Melton - sp/rp

5. Connor Phillips - rp



MINNESOTA TWINS

AMERICAN LEAGUE EAST

Manager: Scott S.

2025 Finish: 66-64 (2nd Place, AL East; lost to Red Sox in ALDS)

Projected Starting Lineup:

C - Tyler Stephenson

1B - Christian Walker

2B - Ozzie Albies

SS - Jacob Wilson

3B - Maikel Garcia

LF - Ian Happ

CF - Julio Rodriguez

RF - Wenceel Perez

DH - Yandy Diaz

Top Reserves: C Omar Narvaez; IF Otto Lopez; OF Matt Vierling; Utility - Javier Sanoja

Projected Pitching Rotation:

1. Sonny Gray - R

2. George Kirby - R

3. Michael King - R

4. Cade Horton - R

5. Yusei Kikuchi - L/Zack Littell - R

Top Relievers: Andres Munoz (closer); Bryan Abreu; Matt Strahm; Cole Winn; Jose Ferrer

Top Draft Picks:

1. Cade Horton - sp

2. Carlos Narvaez - c

3. Joey Cantillo - sp/rp

4. Bryce Johnson - of

5. Carlos Cortes - of



CHICAGO WHITE SOX

AMERICAN LEAGUE WEST

Manager: Steve N.

2025 Finish: 52-78 (5th Place, AL West)

Projected Starting Lineup:

C - William Contreras

1B - Vladimir Guerrero

2B - Darell Hernaiz

SS - Trevor Story

3B - Jared Triolo

LF - Ramon Laureano/Roman Anthony

CF - Sal Frelick/Pete Crow-Armstrong

RF - Jo Adell

DH - Shohei Ohtani

Top Reserves: IF Luis Urias; IF Luis Rengifo; SS CJ Abrams

Projected Starting Pitchers:

1. Ben Brown - R

2. Stephen Kolek - R

3. David Martin - R

4. Shohei Ohtani - R

5. Clarke Schmidt - R

Top Relievers: Carlos Estevez (closer); Joe Jimenez; Jakob Junis; Jonathan Cannon; Steven Matz; AJ Putz

Top Draft Picks:

1. Roman Anthony - of

2. Steve Kolek - sp

3. Brady House - 3b

4. Davis Martin - sp

5. Tyler Phillips - rp



DETROIT TIGERS

AMERICAN LEAGUE WEST

Manager: Dan F.

2025 Finish: 61-69 (3rd Place, AL West)

Projected Starting Lineup:

C - Adley Rutschman/ Hunter Goodman
 1B - Nathaniel Lowe
 2B - Brandon Lowe/Luke Keaschall
 3B - Paul Dejong
 SS - Tyler Fitzgerald/Anthony Volpe
 LF - Christian Yelich
 CF - Jake Mangum
 RF - Jackson Chourio
 DH - Jose Miranda

Top Reserves: OF Joey Loperfido, IF Zach McKinstry, IF Edmundo Sosa

Projected Pitching Rotation:

1. Andrew Abbott - L
2. Justin Steele - L
3. Hunter Greene - R
4. Sean Manaea - L
5. Reese Olson - R

Top Relievers: Ronny Henriquez, Tyler Kinley, Luke Weaver, Seranthony Dominguez

Top Draft Picks:

1. Luke Keaschall - 2b
2. Jake Mangum - of
3. Mike Vasil - rp/sp
4. Ronny Henriquez - rp
5. Brendon Little - rp



KANSAS CITY ROYALS

AMERICAN LEAGUE WEST

Manager: JJ R.

2025 Finish: 75-55 (AL West Champions; lost to San Francisco in World Series)

Projected Starting Lineup:

C - Jacob Stallings
 1B - Jake Bauers
 2B - DJ LeMahieu
 3B - Jose Caballero
 SS - Xander Bogaerts
 LF - Nolan Jones/Mike Yastrzemski
 CF - Mauricio Dubon/Josh Rojas
 RF - Aaron Judge
 DH - Jose Altuve

Top Reserves: SS Hae-Song Kim; C Danny Jansen; C Kyle McCann; OF Adolis Garcia

Projected Pitching Rotation:

1. Lance Lynn - R
2. Dylan Cease - R
3. Mitchell Parker - L
4. Kutter Crawford - L
5. Alec Marsh - R

Top Relievers: Lucas Erceg; Braydon Fisher; Anthony Bender; Brooks Raley; DL Hall

Top Draft Picks:

1. Carter Jensen - c
2. Braydon Fisher - rp
3. Anthony Bender - rp
4. Jahmai Jones - dh
5. DL Hall - sp/rp

Note: Relievers based on editor's opinion



SACRAMENTO ATHLETICS

AMERICAN LEAGUE WEST

Manager: Vic L.

2025 Finish: 65-65 (2nd Place, AL West; lost to Royals in ALDS)

Projected Starting Lineup:

C - Ryan Jeffers
 1B - Rhys Hoskins/Carlos Santana
 2B - Leo Rivas
 SS - Francisco Lindor
 3B - Alec Bohm
 LF - Isaac Collins/Miguel Andujar
 CF - Michael Siani/Myles Straw
 RF - Teoscar Hernandez
 DH - Max Muncy/Eric Haase

Top Reserves - 2B Matt McLain; OF/DH Masataka Yoshida; C/1B Victor Caratini

Projected Starting Rotation:

1. Ronel Blanco - R
2. Jose Berrios - R
3. Shane Smith - R
4. Yu Darvish - R
5. Osvaldo Bido - R; Jeffrey Springs - L; Nestor Cortes - L; Tyler Anderson - L

Top Relievers: Emilio Pagan (closer), Buck Farmer, Brad Keller, Daniel Hudson, Ryan Yarbrough, Daniel Coulombe

Top Draft Picks:

1. Shane Smith - sp
2. Isaac Collins - of
3. Brad Keller - rp
4. Luis Morales - sp
5. Jeffrey Springs - rp



**SEATTLE
MARINERS**

AMERICAN LEAGUE WEST

Manager: Marty S.

2025 Finish: 59-71 (4th Place, AL West)

Projected Starting Lineup:

- C - Drake Baldwin
- 1B - Paul Goldschmidt
- 2B - Nico Hoerner
- SS - Willy Adames
- 3B - Ernie Clement
- LF - Brandon Nimmo
- CF - Cedric Mullins
- RF - Nick Castellanos
- DH - Ben Rice

Top Reserves: C Freddie Fermin; 3B Nolan Arenado; OF Herebito Hernandez; IF Jonathan India

Projected Pitching Rotation:

1. Logan Webb - R
2. Spencer Schwellenbach - R
3. Kodai Senga - R
4. Justin Verlander - R
5. Slade Cecconi - R; Braxton Ashcraft - R; Jacob Latz - L; Max Scherzer - R

Top Relievers: Aroldis Chapman (closer); Jeff Hoffman; Dennis Santana; Nick Mears

Top Draft Picks:

1. Drake Baldwin - c
2. Braxton Ashcraft - sp/rp
3. Dylan Beavers - of
4. Herebito Hernandez - of
5. Jake Latz - sp/rp

Note: Based on editor's opinion (manager did not report)



**ATLANTA
BRAVES**

NATIONAL LEAGUE EAST

Manager: Frank G.

2025 Finish: 78-52 (1st Place, NL East; lost to Cardinals in NLDS)

Projected Starting Lineup:

- C - Cal Raleigh
- 1B - Luis Arraez/Romy Gonzalez
- 2B - Andres Gimenez/Santiago Espinal
- SS - Jeremy Pena
- 3B - Manny Machado
- LF - Brandon Marsh/Davis Schneider
- CF - Daulton Varsh/Jake Meyers
- RF - Mike Trout/Tyler O'Neill

Top Reserves: C Alejandro Kirk; 1B Sal Stewart; 2B Cole Young

Projected Pitching Rotation:

1. Seth Lugo - R
2. Michael Wacha - R
- 3-5. Bowden Francis - R; Johan Oviedo - L; Jack Perkins - R; AJ Blubaugh - R; Jalen Beeks - L; Michael Grove - R; Chris Bassitt - R

Top Relievers: Jason Adam, Hunter Gaddis, Adam Helsley, Jimmy Herget, Tyler Holton, Will Vest

Top Draft Picks:

1. Sal Stewart - 1b
2. Cole Young - 2b
3. Jack Perkins - rp
4. Jimmy Herget - rp
5. Jalen Beeks - rp/sp



**CINCINNATI
REDS**

NATIONAL LEAGUE EAST

Manager: Dave M.

2025 Finish: 77-53 (2nd Place, NL East; lost to Giants in NLDS)

Projected Starting Lineup:

- C - Kyle Teel/Francisco Alvarez
- 1B - Freddie Freeman
- 2B - Bryce Turang
- SS - Carlos Correa
- 3B - Ryan McMahon/Ben Williamson
- LF - Juan Soto
- CF - Brenton Doyle
- RF - Corbin Carroll
- DH - Rafael Devers

Top Reserves: IF Spencer Steer, SS Orlando Arcia, OF Rob Refsnyder, OF Bryce Teodosio

Projected Pitching Rotation:

1. Max Fried - L
2. Reynaldo Lopez - R
3. Mitch Keller - R
4. Framber Valdez - L
5. Brandon Woodruff - R/Clayton Kershaw - L

Top Relievers: Emanuel Clase (closer), Justin Slaten, Yimi Garcia, Bryan King

Top Draft Picks:

1. Kyle Teel - c
2. Carson Williams - ss
3. Ben Williamson - 3b
4. Bryan King - rp
5. Bryce Teodosio - of



NEW YORK METS

NATIONAL LEAGUE EAST

Manager: Gus C.

2025 Finish: 71-60 (3rd Place, NL East; lost in playoff tie-breaker to Cardinals)

Projected Starting Lineup:

C - JT Realmuto
1B - Luke Raley/Ryan Mountcastle
2B - Jake Cronenworth
SS - Geraldo Perdomo
3B - Jordan Westburg
LF - Steven Kwan
CF - Harrison Bader/Tommy Edman
RF - Wilyer Abreu/Jacob Marsee
DH - Joc Pedersen/David Fry

Top Reserves: C Kyle Higashioka; IF Joey Ortiz; IF Bryan Ramos

Projected Pitching Rotation:

1. Aaron Nola - R
2. Jack Flaherty - R
3. Trevor Rogers - L
4. Chris Sale - L
5. Tyler Glasnow - R/Tyler Mahle - R

Top Relievers: Edwin Diaz (closer); Emmett Sheehan; Tyler Rogers; Matt Svanson; Sam Moll; Albert Suarez

Top Draft Picks:

1. Jacob Marsee - of
2. Matt Svanson - rp
3. Agustin Ramirez - c
4. Jonah Tong - sp
5. Kade Strowd - rp



PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES

NATIONAL LEAGUE EAST

Manager: Fred R.

2025 Finish: 56-74 (5th Place NL East)

Projected Starting Lineup:

C - Will Smith
1B - Bryce Harper
2B - Willi Castro
SS - Trea Turner
3B - Matt Chapman
LF - Randy Arozarena
CF - Byron Buxton
RF - TJ Friedl
DH - Jon Singleton/JD Martinez

Top Reserves: C Garrett Stubbs; C Martin Maldonado; IF/OF Sam Haggerty; 2B Brendan Rogers; OF Richie Palacios

Projected Pitching Rotation:

1. Zach Wheeler - R
2. Garrett Crochet - R
3. Corbin Burnes - R
4. Eric Lauer - L / Nolan McLean - R
5. Landon Knack - R/Luis Severino - R

Top Relievers: Griffin Jax (closer); Cade Smith; Robert Garcia; Jorge Alcala; Trevor Megill

Top Draft Picks:

1. Nolan McLean - sp
2. Troy Yesavage - sp
3. Matt Shaw - if
4. Kristian Campbell - if
5. Eric Lauer - sp/rp



WASHINGTON NATIONALS

NATIONAL LEAGUE EAST

Manager: Andrew R.

2025 Finish: 64-66 (4th Place, NL East)

Projected Starting Lineup:

C - Carson Kelly/Gabriel Moreno
1B - Juan Ypez/Ryan O'Hearn
2B - Leo Jimenez
3B - Kyle Farmer
SS - Mookie Betts
LF - Kyren Paris
CF - Michael Harris
RF - Randal Grichuk/Jake McCarthy
DH - Brent Rooker

Top Reserves: 3B Jonah Bride; IF Oswaldo Cabrera; SS Nick Allen; OF Dominic Canzone; OF Mike Tauchman; OF Leody Tavares

Projected Pitching Rotation:

1. Nathan Eovaldi - R
2. Jacob deGrom - R
3. Cole Ragans - L
4. Ryan Pepiot - R
5. Kris Bubic - L/Kolby Allard - L

Top Relievers: Brant Hurter (closer); Kirby Yates; Randy Rodriguez; Steven Okert; Bubba Chandler; Jacob Webb

Top Draft Picks:

1. Bubba Chandler - sp/rp
2. Dominic Canzone - of
3. Jordan Lawlar - if/of
4. Steven Okert - rp
5. Randy Rodriguez - rp



**CHICAGO
CUBS**

NATIONAL LEAGUE WEST

Manager: Jim P.

2025 Finish: 66-64 (3rd Place, NL West)

Projected Starting Lineup:

C - Logan O'Hoppe

1B - Michael Busch

2B - Nicky Lopez/Ryan Ritter

SS - Masyn Winn

3B - Mark Vientos/Ke'Bryan Hayes

LF - James Wood

CF - Alex Thomas

RF - Tyler Soderstrom/Taylor Ward

DH - Jonathan Aranda/ Giancarlo Stanton

Key Reserves: C Austin Wells; 1B/OF Alec Burleson; OF Andy Pages

Projected Pitching Rotation:

1. Sandy Alcantara - R

2. Zac Gallen - R

3. Gavin Stone - R

4. Sean Burke - R

5. Kyle Hendricks

Top Relievers: Phil Maton; Cole Sands, Adrian Morejon; Tayler Scott

Top Draft Picks:

1. Chase Burns - sp/rp

2. Marcelo Mayer - if

3. Connelly Early - sp

4. Hurston Waldrep - sp/rp

5. Denzel Clarke - of



**LOS ANGELES
DODGERS**

NATIONAL LEAGUE WEST

Manager: Bobby M.

2025 Finish: 60-70 (4th Place, NL West)

Projected Starting Lineup:

C - Salvador Perez

1B - Josh Naylor

2B - Ketel Marte

SS - Gunnar Henderson

3B - Junior Caminero

LF - Lawrence Butler

CF - Luis Robert

RF - Jesus Sanchez/Dane Myers

DH - JJ Bleday

Top Reserves: C Connor Wong; OF Evan Carter; OF Will Brennan; OF Colten Cowser; IF Gabriel Arias

Projected Pitching Rotation:

1. Tarik Skubal - L

2. Edwin Cabrera - R/Ryan Weathers - L

3. Blake Snell - L / Bryan Woo - R

4. Nick Lodolo - L

5. Simeon Woods-Richardson - R

Top Relievers: Edwin Uceta (closer); Carmen Mlodzinski, Michael Kopech, Garrett Cleavinger, Aaron Ashby

Top Draft Picks:

1. Jacob Misiorowski - sp

2. Chase DeLauter - of

3. Kyle Karros - if

4. Brandon Sproat - sp

5. Kumar Rocker - sp



**ST. LOUIS
CARDINALS**

NATIONAL LEAGUE WEST

Manager: Al A.

2025 Finish: 72-59 (2nd Place, NL West; lost to Giants in NLCS)

Projected Starting Lineup:

C - Wilson Contreras/ Joey Bart

1B - Pete Alonso

2B - Ramon Urias/ Brayan Rocchio

SS - Dansby Swanson

3B - Isaac Paredes

LF - Wyatt Langford

CF - Jarren Duran/ Derek Hill

RF - Alex Call/ Jake Fraley

DH - Kerry Carpenter/ Jhonkensy Noel

Top Reserves: OF Daylen Lile; SS/OF Javier Baez; C Austin Wynns; C Edgar Quero; OF/SS O'Neill Cruz

Projected Pitching Rotation:

1. Logan Gilbert - R

2. Yoshinobu Yamamoto - R

3. Bryce Miller - R

4. Luis Ortiz - R

5. Nick Martinez - R / Clay Holmes - R

Top Relievers: David Bednar (closer); Garrett Whitlock, Robert Suarez, Jeremiah Estrada, Jojo Romero

Top Draft Picks:

1. Daylen Lile - of

2. Edgar Quero - c

3. Garrett Whitlock - rp

4. Gabe Speier - rp

5. Austin Wynns - c



**SAN DIEGO
PADRES**

NATIONAL LEAGUE WEST

Manager: Eddie E.

2025 Finish: 57-73 (5th Place NL West)

Projected Starting Lineup:

- C - Liam Hicks
- 1B - Matt Olson
- 2B - Bryson Stott
- SS - Zach Neto
- 3B - Austin Riley
- LF - Jordan Beck/Kyle Tucker
- CF - Cedanne Rafaela
- RF - Fernando Tatis Jr.
- DH - Jorge Polanco

Top Reserves: OF/IF Dylan Moore; C Henry Davis; IF Will Wagner

Projected Pitching Rotation:

1. Mackenzie Gore - L
2. Joe Ryan - R
3. Ryne Nelson - R
4. Quinn Priester - R
5. Brayan Bello - R

Top Relievers: Abner Uribe (cloer); Matt Brash, Dylan Floro, Daysbel Hernandez, Rafael Montero, Erik Sabrowski, Will Warren

Top Draft Picks:

1. Jac Caglionone - of/1b
2. Samuel Basallo - c
3. Logan Henderson - sp
4. Ian Seymour - sp/rp
5. Payton Tolle - sp



**SAN FRANCISCO
GIANTS**

NATIONAL LEAGUE WEST

Manager: Mike M.

2025 Finish: 76-54 (1st Place, NL West; def. Royals in World Series)

JBW WORLD SERIES CHAMPIONS

Projected Starting Lineup:

- C - Patrick Bailey
- 1B - Vinny Pasquantino
- 2B - Marcus Simien
- SS - Ezequiel Tovar
- 3B - Jose Ramirez
- LF - Cody Bellinger
- CF - Tyrone Taylor
- RF - Ronald Acuna
- DH - Seiya Suzuki

Top Reserves: C Dalton Rushing, IF Donovan Solano; IF Tyler Walls; OF Robert Hassell; Util. Josh Smith; OF Jonny DeLuca; C Alex Jackson

Projected Pitching Rotation:

1. Tanner Houck - R
2. Luis Gil - R
3. Jose Soriano - R
4. Noah Cameron - L
5. Shane Bieber - R/Gerrit Cole - R

Top Relievers: Josh Hader (closer); Tanner Scott (closer); Derek Law, Bryan Hoeing, David Robertson, Shawn Armstrong

Top Draft Picks:

1. Noah Cameron - sp
2. Dalton Rushing - c
3. Chad Patrick - sp
4. Brennan Bernardino - rp
5. Robert Hassell - of