



*Monday's Scouting Report – "In His Mitt"
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Think Like A Champion

"Champions are champions not because they do anything extraordinary, but because they do the ordinary things better than anyone else." - Chuck Noll, Head Coach, Pittsburgh Steelers

If anyone should know what it takes to think and play like a Champion, Chuck Noll should! Coach Noll coached his team to 4 Super Bowl wins.

As competitors we all strive to win the Championship. Anyone who has played or coached baseball knows that this is not an easy task. It takes a team with physical skill, a season without injury, and a willingness to "grind it out" even when things aren't going so good.

I am certainly no Chuck Noll, and would be the last to pretend I was, but I agree with him wholeheartedly. I think doing the "ordinary" or fundamental things better than anyone else leads to success both in athletics and in life!

While coaching baseball in both High School and for FCA Baseball, I gave my team the following 4 Pillars for Success. I called it the 4 P's.

1. Play Smart - Execute the fundamentals and do them better than anyone else!
2. Play Aggressive with No Fear – Be a competitor and use your God-given ability to the max!
3. Play to Win – Give your all, all the time!
4. Play with Joy! – Let your play be an example of how much you enjoy the game!

I believed and still do that each of these 4 Pillars will not only guarantee success on the field, but are necessary for us to "run with endurance the race that lies before us."

Let's Play Smart and execute the fundamentals and do them "better than anyone else!"

"But everyone who hears these words of Mine and doesn't act on them will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand." - Matthew 7:26