



1995 Baseball Team PIAA Champions

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The 1995 Seneca Valley P.I.A.A. State Championship Baseball Team returned only two starters from the 1994 team, which won the W.P.I.A.L. Championship. The '95 baseball team started section play with a 3-5 record, which almost eliminated them mathematically from the W.P.I.A.L. playoffs by mid-season. At

that time, only two teams would qualify for the playoffs, so the '95 team had to win 6 of the next 7 games for a playoff spot.

They amazingly accomplished that feat and advanced through the W.P.I.A.L. playoffs and then won all four games in the P.I.A.A. playoffs to win the State Championship. The team ended up ranked No. 1 in the state, No. 4 in the Eastern Division of the United States, and in the Top 25 in the nation according to the U.S.A Today newspaper. These accolades came from the season when it had been predicted that they would finish last in the section. They were also the first ever Butler County school to win baseball gold in the P.I.A.A