

Tacoma Tribune Athletes of the Week

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Katelyn Stanley

North Mason fastpitch

The junior hurler led Class 2A North Mason to a 1-0 upset of 4A Kamiak at the Fastpitch Festival last weekend at the University of Washington. Stanley has helped North Mason to a 9-0 record in Olympic League play.

How many pitches do you throw?

I have a change-up, a curve, a screwball, a rise and a drop.

And the best of the five?

Probably my curve.

When did you start pitching?

When I was 7. I just wanted to be like all the other girls, and everyone else was pitching.

Are all those girls still pitching?

Not many.

Could you strike out some of the North Mason baseball players?

I would like to think so, but they wouldn't think I could. They have no idea how different it is from where it comes out of my hand. If I threw my rise ball, they wouldn't be expecting it. It's a whole different perspective

Ever challenge any of them?

No. I would like to.

What's the one thing you hate about pitching?

Probably giving up a few runs and losing. It's just the worst feeling.

That doesn't seem to happen to you too often.

Not really, but it does happen.