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There are some names that are very familiar to those in baseball circles around the nation.

Yankees, Mud Hens and even the Lansing Lugnuts have a reputation for being a part of the history of the game.

Another name that is widely known comes from Liberal — the Bee Jays.

With a long list of Major Leaguers getting their start in the powder blue and red, including two Cy Young winners and three Major League managers, there are many in the profession that are familiar with the community's tie to the major league sport.

Hargrove effect still being felt for Liberal Bee Jays

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BEE JAYS JAYHAWK LEAGUE RECORDS

Year	Wins	Losses	Champs	Top 10	NSC
1974	18	6	-	-	17th
1977	15	7	-	-	3rd
1978	19	3	-	-	4th
1979	18	10	-	-	1st
1980	32	10	-	-	2nd
1981	14	4	*	-	2nd
1982	15	8	-	-	3rd
1983	12	12	-	-	-
1984	21	8	-	-	2nd
1985	21	8	*	-	1st
1986	25	6	*	-	17th
1987	26	12	*	-	13rd
1988	21	14	-	-	-
1989	23	12	*	-	-
1990	18	9	*	-	17th
1991	27	19	-	-	-
1992	30	16	*	-	2nd
1993	32	20	*	-	-
1994	25	23	*	-	-
1995	26	15	-	-	-
1996	24	12	*	-	17th
1997	22	18	-	-	17th
1998	23	17	-	-	4th
1999	27	13	*	-	4th
2000	22	18	-	-	1st

For the next 23 seasons of the jayhawk League, the Bee Jays did not have a Liberal member on the team. Liberal was not in the Jayhawk League until 2001.

Year	Wins	Losses	Champs	Top 10	NSC
2001	19	21	-	-	17th
2002	17	11	-	-	17th
2003	13	14	-	-	-
2004	12	17	-	-	-
2005	19	21	-	-	-
2006	24	16	-	-	-
2007	22	24	-	-	-
2008	22	14	-	-	4th
2009	18	14	-	-	3rd
2010	21	11	-	-	1st
2011	18	15	-	-	17th
2012	19	15	-	-	17th
2013	17	17	-	-	-

In 2001, Liberal joined the Jayhawk League and started a string of 5 consecutive seasons of 1st place finishes.

In 2011, Liberal suffered its first loss to the Bee Jays.

In 2012, Liberal won its first game against the Bee Jays.

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In 2019, Liberal won its first game against the Bee Jays.

In 2020, Liberal won its first game against the Bee Jays.

In 2021, Liberal won its first game against the Bee Jays.

In 2022, Liberal won its first game against the Bee Jays.

In 2023, Liberal won its first game against the Bee Jays.

In 2024, Liberal won its first game against the Bee Jays.

In 2025, Liberal won its first game against the Bee Jays.

In 2026, Liberal won its first game against the Bee Jays.

In 2027, Liberal won its first game against the Bee Jays.

In 2028, Liberal won its first game against the Bee Jays.