

Bobcats lose; Kopech drafted by Red Sox

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ROUND ROCK — The Hallsville Bobcats lost their dream of a state baseball title, falling 9-1 to Aledo in the Class 4A semifinals Thursday night.

Connor Reich was the losing pitcher.

Victoria East defeated Richmond George Ranch, 4-1.

Aledo and Victoria East meet today at 7 p.m. in the state 4A finals at the Dell Diamond in Round Rock.

Kopech drafted

Mount Pleasant standout right-handed pitcher Michael Kopech was drafted in the first round in the Major League Baseball amateur draft. The Boston Red Sox used the No. 33 overall pick on Kopech.

Kopech, a 6-3, 195-pounder was one of 20 pitchers taken in the first round.

During his senior year at Mount Pleasant had 143 strikeouts in 74.2 innings.