

Pitcher DIGS Analysis: Reed Ross

I. Player Background

Reed Ross is a senior at Phoenix Country Day High School in Paradise Valley, Arizona. Phoenix Country Day baseball is currently class as a State Class 2A baseball program (out of the top being Class 6A). He plays mostly catcher, with some time at first base and occasionally pitching. His best value is his bat and at the catcher position. I will show via an unofficial baseball statistical website that even though his baseball team is classed in the lower baseball levels, he should be considered one of the better baseball talents not only in the state of Arizona, but also in the country based off his statistics from this past 2026 spring season.¹

II. Introduction to Pitcher DIGS

[Pitcher DIGS](#) is run by Kyle Goings out of Northern California. In his spare time from his full-time job and as a loving husband and parent, he created and runs this website that produces an advanced statistical leaderboard of baseball players' performance for the current specific season. He had focused mainly on professional and collegiate statistics since its maiden launch back in 2023 since those were readily available through other statistical platforms, but just recently back in 2024, he started creating one for high school players. (which he was able to provide statistics and advanced metrics for over 15,000 prep players). Using the rankings and statistics provided by certain baseball media platforms, he has then been able to utilize formulas he developed to upload all the stats from those websites to create statistical leaderboards. Upon discovery of the website and the great work Kyle does, I volunteered to help him update his spreadsheets for the state of Arizona and as many high school programs as he would like, and he graciously accepted. So, during the season leading up to the recent conclusion with the respective class state championships, I updated his Arizona High School spreadsheets with all the statistics that he needed and were available from public social media websites. It was a lot of work, but it was very rewarding once he made all the statistical generations available on his website. It is also worth noting that he has created two new baseball metrics called “DIGS” (which is a pitching metric that stands for Defensive Independent Game Score) and “BaGS” (which is an offensive metric that stands for Batter Game Score), as these were his flagship metrics when he originally launched Pitcher DIGS back in 2023. I will get more into this later in the program. All in all, we have been able to produce final statistics and metrics for over 2,700 Arizona high school players from the 2025 season. There are not too many sites out there in

¹ Spring 2025 statistics are not available through Pitcher DIGS for Reed Ross. However, through another amateur baseball website called “MaxPreps” (www.maxpreps.com) , they show that Reed Ross led his team in all major offensive categories: [Reed Ross' Phoenix Country Day High School Baseball Stats](#).

the World Wide Web that have such publicly available in-depth analysis of baseball amateur statistics and metric evaluations at the high school level, so I am honored to have met Kyle and been able to contribute to his endeavor.

I sincerely thank Pitcher DIGS for allowing me to contribute to this great platform and for having all these incredible stats and metrics available. None of this would be possible without it.

III. My Analysis and Results (DEF, oWAR, wOBA, BaGS+)

To give you some context on what each stat/metric represents, here are the definitions provided by MLB.com² and how utilized/calculated by Pitcher DIGS³:

- **Wins Above Replacement, including offensive and pitching WAR (WAR/oWAR/pWAR):** WAR measures a player's value in all facets of the game by deciphering how many more wins he's worth than a replacement-level player at his same position (e.g., a Minor League replacement or a readily available fill-in free agent).

WAR = Wins Above Replacement

- ☐ Combines points from ALL games played... it's a total.
- ☐ oWAR includes offensive & fielding production.
- ☐ pWAR includes only pitching production.
- ☐ WAR combines the two scores.
- ☐ Last year, 0.5 WAR was the average for all players in Superior CA (nearly 2,000 players).
- ☐ Roughly 100 players earned 3+ WAR | Top 30 earned 4+ | Top 15 earned 5+.

- **Defensive Value (DEF):**

Fielding (labeled DEF on the BaGS leaderboard)

- ☐ Awards points for any outs or assists recorded in the field.
- ☐ Does NOT penalize for errors (1 point if the play is made, 0 if it's not).

- **Weighted On-Base Average (wOBA):** wOBA is a version of on-base percentage that accounts for how a player reached base -- instead of simply considering whether a player reached base. The value for each method of reaching base is determined by how much that event is worth in relation to projected runs scored (example: a double is worth more than a single). Unlike on-base percentage and OPS (OBP + SLG), wOBA assigns value to each method of reaching base, in terms of its impact on scoring runs. In the Pitcher DIGS calculation for wOBA, the "BaGS" score is an added component.

² [Glossary | MLB.com](#)

³ [Pitcher DIGS on X: https://t.co/3Bcrx1J7is](https://t.co/3Bcrx1J7is) / X

- **Batter Game Score (BaGS and BaGS+)⁴:**

BaGS is an offensive rating system designed around the inputs of ottoneu fantasy baseball scoring (AB, 1B, 2B, 3B, HR, BB, HBP, SB, & CS). Statcast Barrels are also incorporated when available, as are GDP & SF. BaGS can be calculated on a single-game basis, but is primarily intended for comparing season or career performance. BaGS is adjusted for park, league, & year at the MLB level; age, level, park, & league for MiLB; and age, conference, & park (where applicable) for collegiate. BaGS scoring (where 50 is average) is used to estimate a player's wOBA, then converted to BaGS+ (where 100 is average).

BaGS+ Scale

175 | Elite (+++)
150 | Excellent (++)
125 | Very Good (+)
100 | League Average
75 | Replacement

BaGS = Batter Game Score (measures offensive success)

- ☐ BaGS awards points for things like hits (different weights for each type), BB, SB, HBP, & Sac Flies.
- ☐ BaGS penalizes (takes away points) for making outs, and doubles the penalty for strikeouts.
- ☐ BaGS is calculated as the average of all games played.
- ☐ BaGS+ means the scores are converted to a scale where 100 is average. Anything over 150 is excellent.

For my application and analysis, I filtered out those high school players who had less than 100 plate appearances (PAs) for the season as it would provide the best picture for those players who were top performers and not show any small sample size bias (Reed Ross had 104 PAs).

Here are the rankings and Pitcher DIGS screenshots for Reed Ross for each statistic and metric, both Arizona and USA National Leaderboards.

1) Defensive Value (DEF) = 3.8

a) State of Arizona: 15th out of 219 qualified players

⁴ [Pitcher DIGS - BaGS](#)



FOUR CORNERS

HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL

2026 WAR Leaders



State: AZ (1)		School	Player	Class	Div	Committed	PA		IP	
							100	200	0	100

Player	Class	POS	State	Logo	School	Comt	WAR	WAR40	eWAR	pWAR	DEF	PA	wOBA	IP	ERA	BaGS+	DIGS+	TWP+
11. Anthony Renda	2027		AZ		Desert Vista		4.2	5.3	4.2	4.2		122	0.538			191		
12. Andres Hoyos	2026	C, P	AZ		Douglas		1.8	2.3	1.8	4.2		104	0.411			124		
13. Cullen Callander	2026	C, UTIL	AZ		Flagstaff		2.3	3.1	2.3	3.9		105	0.485			142		
14. Rider Woo	2028	C, P, INF	AZ		McClintock		1.3	0.9	1.4	-0.1	3.8	100	0.418	0.1	21.00	114	57	75
15. Reed Ross	2027	C, OF	AZ		Phoenix Country Day		3.8	5.5	3.8	-0.0	3.8	104	0.792			196	77	

b) USA National Leaderboard: 232nd out of 2922 qualified players

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HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL

2026 WAR Leaders

BATS

State	School	Player	Class	Div	Committed	PA	IP											
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Player	Class	POS	State	Logo	School	Comt	WAR	WAR40	eWAR	pWAR	DEF	PA	wOBA	IP	ERA	BaGS+	DIGS+	TWP+
22... Christian Fallacara-Saunders	2026		FL	WB	West Boca Raton		2.1	3.2	1.9	0.2	3.8	115	0.428	6.1	3.32	123	100	127
22... Brody Garrard	2026	1B	UT	MR	Mountain Ridge		3.0	3.8	3.0		3.8	122	0.462			158		
23... Chandler Kisor			KY	Blazer			1.8	2.4	1.9	0.0	3.8	106	0.382	3	9.33	125	80	111
231. Daniel Biondo			GA	Denmark			2.3	3.0	2.3		3.8	114	0.439			142		
232. Reed Ross	2027	C, OF	AZ	Phoenix Country Day			3.8	5.5	3.8	-0.0	3.8	104	0.792			196	77	

2) Wins Above Replacement (specifically oWAR) = 3.8

a) State of Arizona: 8th out of 219 qualified players



FOUR CORNERS

HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL

2026 WAR Leaders



State: AZ (1)

School

Player

Class

Div

Committed

PA
100 200

IP
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Player	Class	POS	State	Logo	School	Comt	WAR	WAR40	oWAR	pWAR	DEF	PA	wOBA	IP	ERA	BaGS+	DIGS+	TWP+
1. Anthony Renda	2027		AZ		Desert Vista		4.2	5.3	4.2		4.2	122	0.538			191		
2. Angel Figueroa	2027	CF, RF, LF	AZ		Ironwood Ridge		4.3	6.2	4.2	0.0	-0.6	131	0.672	1	7.00	206	98	175
3. Derek Wilson	2027	OF, LHP	AZ		Red Mountain		4.6	7.3	4.1	0.5	-0.5	110	0.640	5	1.40	205	126	206
4. Cory Wuttke	2027	OF	AZ		Hamilton		3.9	4.9	3.9		0.3	134	0.487			195		
5. Alain Gomez-Gudino	2026	C	AZ		Saguaro		3.9	4.7	3.9		3.8	130	0.548			179		
6. Francisco Rivero	2026		AZ		Canyon del Oro		4.2	6.1	3.9	0.3	5.1	135	0.530	5	1.40	171	114	169
7. Jet Berry	2026		AZ		Queen Creek		4.0	6.0	3.9	0.1	-1.5	132	0.516			195	109	
8. Reed Ross	2027	C, OF	AZ		Phoenix Country Day		3.8	5.5	3.8	-0.0	3.8	104	0.792			196	77	

b) USA National Leaderboard: 87th out of 2922 qualified players

DIGS

UNITED STATES

HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL

2026 WAR Leaders

BACS

State	School	Player	Class	Div	Committed	PA	IP											
Player	Class	POS	State	Logo	School	Comt	WAR	WAR40	oWAR	pWAR	DEF	PA	wOBA	IP	ERA	BaGS+	DIGS+	TWP+
84. Trey Myers	2026	RHP, OF, INF	MS		Mize		6.0	6.1	3.9	2.2	-0.4	163	0.531	66.2	2.31	174	130	184
85. Grady Emerson	2026	SS	TX		Fort Worth Christian		3.9	5.5	3.9		1.8	108	0.662			203		
86. Brayden Littleton	2027	3B, 1B	TN		Heritage		3.8	3.4	3.8		0.4	154	0.480			162		
87. Reed Ross	2027	C, OF	AZ		Phoenix Country Day		3.8	5.5	3.8	-0.0	3.8	104	0.792			196	77	

3) Weighted On-Base Average (wOBA) = 0.792

a) State of Arizona: 1st out of 219 qualified players

b) USA National Leaderboard: 43rd out of 2922 qualified players

 UNITED STATES HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL 2026 WAR Leaders 																
State	School	Player	Class	Div	Committed	PA	IP									
Player	Class	POS	State	Logo	School	Comt	WAR	WAR40	eWAR	pWAR	DEF	PA	wOBA	IP	ERA	BaGS+
40. Jake Kim	2028	1B, OF	CA		Harvard-Westlake		3.9	5.3	3.9			105	0.518			197
41. Tyler Fryman	2027		KY		Beechwood		4.3	4.9	4.3		-0.3	141	0.672			197
42. Coleman Borthwick	2026	RHP, SS	FL		South Walton		9.3	10.5	4.2	5.1	-0.3	132	0.613	65.2	0.21	196 210 271
43. Reed Ross	2027	C, OF	AZ		Phoenix Country Day		3.8	5.5	3.8	-0.0	3.8	104	0.792			196 77

IV. Conclusions

As one can see, not only did Reed Ross have an elite statistical performance in the spring 2026 baseball season, but these measures and metrics show that he has elite offensive influence and value for his team. Basically, when he hits and gets on-base, he usually projects an overall very high run value. Therefore, Reed Ross has statistically shown he was among the top offensive and defensive categories not only in the state of Arizona, but across the United States, and has shown he has the baseball ability to compete at a higher level.