

RAYS, BLUE JAYS SPLIT FIRST TWO MERCER CUP GAMES

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Princeton, WV (WOAY) - The 2019 Mercer Cup series is tied after the Princeton Rays won 8-4 over Bluefield to even the series at one game apiece.

The Blue Jays opened the scoring with a solo home run in the second inning, but the Rays responded by posting runs each of their next four innings. Bluefield was unable to capitalize on a bases-loaded situation in the fourth inning that could've trimmed the deficit.

Jhosner Vargas batted 3-4 for Princeton with three RBI, while Aldenis Sanchez brought in two runs. Miguel Hiraldo batted 2-5 with a run batted in for Bluefield.

Both teams have Tuesday off due to the Major League Baseball All-Star Game, and will have road series Wednesday through Friday. The next Mercer Cup meetings begin Saturday at Bowen Field.