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Easy afternoon for Vikings against Edward Waters

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It isn't that the St. Johns River State College baseball team is worn out after two games, but Tuesday was still a good day to take a break.

It was a break not only for several starters, but the break some backups needed to show what they could do.

It worked out well: a 12-1 victory over the Edward Waters junior varsity on a sunny afternoon at Tindall Field. St. Johns scored in every inning until the middle of the seventh, when the game was stopped because of the 10-run rule.

The Vikings collected 12 hits, walked 10 times and were hit by pitches nine times. Four pitchers combined on a four-hitter that included 10 strikeouts and two walks; the Tigers'

only run was unearned.

"We played some guys that needed some at-bats," said SJR State coach Ross Jones. "We got four pitchers out there for the first time (this season) – three in their first college game."

The win went to the starter, sophomore Jason Gonzalez. Caleb Dix, Michael Morse and Kavin Kroll worked in relief.

Juan Jaime was 3-3 with an RBI in the

12-hit offense. Andre James was 2-3 and Chase Malloy had a double in three trips. August Haymaker, Ryan Romano, Joe Becker, Nick Tripp, Sean McArdle and J.J. Sousa all singled.

The Vikings go to Tifton, Ga., Thursday for a doubleheader with Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College. Originally scheduled for Friday, it was moved up a day because of bad weather in the forecast.