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CHARLESTON, IL--Two righthanded pitchers from Illinois junior colleges, Reggie Fischer and Dave Bauer, have signed scholarships to attend Eastern Illinois University, baseball coach Tom McDevitt announced.

Fischer, from Bellmont who attended Mt. Carmel HS and Wabash Valley CC, was 7-0 this past spring with a 1.66 earned run average, the third best in the state.

He struck out 33 and walked 20 in 38 innings, and was the state's only undefeated hurler among the top 15 (based on ERA).

"Reggie has a fine earned run average," said McDevitt. "We are going to concentrate on cutting down on his walks . . . if we're successful, his ERA could be lower. He was drafted out of high school so he definitely has potential."

Bauer, originally an Indiana prep, was 9-2 with a 2.31 ERA for Rend Lake CC just outside Mt. Vernon. He struck out 71 in 78 innings with just 30 walks.

"He's a control pitcher with a good slider . . . the day I saw him pitch he didn't walk a batter in nine innings," McDevitt said.

"We lose three senior starting pitchers by graduation so these two will hopefully fill some holes, and there's still room for more.

"We play eight games a week so you can't have too many good pitchers," McDevitt explained.