

Port Angeles Lefties alum Luke Jewett drafted by the Colorado Rockies in the MLB Draft



Photo Caption: The Colorado Rockies selected 2021 Lefties RHP Luke Jewett (UCLA) in the eighth round of the 2024 MLB Draft (No. 228 overall). (Photo courtesy of UCLA Athletics)

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With their eighth-round pick of the 2024 MLB Draft (No. 228 overall), the Colorado Rockies selected 2021 Port Angeles Leftie Luke Jewett out of (UCLA). Jewett is the ninth Lefties alum to be selected in the MLB Draft and first 2021 Leftie to join the professional ranks. The selection of Jewett makes it 7 straight MLB Drafts with the selection of a Lefties alum.

Jewett becomes the second-highest drafted Leftie after 2017 Leftie Kevin Kendall was selected in the seventh round of the 2021 MLB Draft. In his Lefties career, Jewett made six appearances in the West Coast League, five of which were starts, pitched 21 innings and recorded 22 strikeouts with a 3.14 strikeout to walk ratio.

“I only played with [Jewett] briefly in the 2021 season,” 2021 and current 2024 Leftie Ryan Wike said. “But he was [a] dominant force. Everyone on the team anticipated and got excited to watch him throw.”

His best performance in a Lefties uniform was a scoreless five-inning outing versus the Portland Pickles where he recorded a season-high seven strikeouts. Jewett would take his summer WCL experiences with the Lefties as a then-incoming college freshman to go on and record 63 appearances across his three-year collegiate career at UCLA, 14 of which were starts, posting a 4.29 ERA and striking out 121 batters.

The Lefties extend their heartfelt congratulations to Luke Jewett and his family on this incredible and well-deserved accomplishment. The Lefties are eager to continue following Jewett's journey to the big leagues with the Colorado Rockies organization.

About the Lefties

The Port Angeles Lefties are a collegiate summer baseball team based in Port Angeles on Washington's Olympic Peninsula. Established in 2017, the Lefties compete in the West Coast League (WCL), the West's premier summer collegiate baseball league. The Lefties play their home games at the historic Civic Field and are led by skipper Donald Brais. For more information, visit paleftiesbaseball.com, @leftiesbaseball on Facebook and Tiktok, @PALefties on Twitter, and @paleftiesbaseball on Instagram. You can watch all Lefties games live at <https://wcleague.watch.pixellot.tv/> or on the Peninsula Area Public Access YouTube.