Blake Hargens wins Metro Spotlight Award

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Cedar Rapids Kennedy junior Blake Hargens is the winner of the Metro Spotlight Award for high school boys this week, the Metro Sports Report announced Sunday.

Hargens has a sparkling 6-0 record and 1.36 ERA for the Kennedy baseball team. He has allowed only seven earned runs in 36 innings and has collected 32 strikeouts.

Hargens leads the Mississippi Valley Conference in victories and is tied for the most wins in the state in Class 4A. Tanner Wauhob has a 6-2 record for Sioux City West.

Hargens tossed a five-hit shutout with 11 strikeouts in a 15-0 victory over Cedar Falls. He also tossed a one-hitter for six innings with eight strikeouts against Iowa City High.

Kennedy has one of the top pitching staffs in the state with a team ERA of 1.75.

The third-ranked Cougars (20-3) host top-ranked Dubuque Hempstead (26-2) in a showdown for the Valley Division lead in the Mississippi Valley Conference at 5 p.m. Monday at Herkelman Field. Both teams are 16-2 in the Valley Division.