Tech Nips Howard

BLACKSBURG—Mike Arrington, with relief help from Bob Fisher, established a new school record for victories in a season with eight as Virginia Tech defeated Howard 4-3 Wednesday.

Arrington allowed two runs in the fifth and an unearned run in the ninth as Tech upped its record to 26-10 on the year.

Howard, boasting two of the top five basestealers in the nation, had three baserunners thrown out by freshman catcher Wayne Shelton.

Tech was aided by solo home runs by Shelton in the fourth and by Tom Acree in the seventh.

The Hokies play Western Carolina Saturday in Blacksburg. Game time is 11 a.m.

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Arrington, Fisher (9) and Shelton; Garvin and Briscoe. HR—Shelton in 4th with none on; Acree in 7th with none on.