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TECH BASEBALL TO CONDUCT AN OPEN TRYOUT ON SEPTEMBER 1

RUSSELLVILLE, Arkansas – Arkansas Tech Baseball Coach **Dave Dawson**, who is in his first season at the helm of the Wonder Boys program, has announced that there will be a tryout for anyone interested in playing baseball this upcoming season for the Wonder Boys.

The tryout is set for Tuesday, Sept. 1, beginning at 3 p.m. at Tech Field. All participants must have proof of having a physical within the last six months and a copy of the front and back of their primary medical insurance cards.

Dawson comes to Tech after spending the past four seasons (2006-09) as the head baseball coach at Kansas Wesleyan University in Salina, Kan. In his four seasons at KWU, Dawson led the Coyotes to back-to-back regular season KCAC titles in 2008 and 2009 and compiled a 115-94 record; including winning a school-record 40 games in 2009. In addition, he led KWU to two KCAC Baseball Tournament titles in 2007 and 2009 and helped the school advance to the championship round of the 2009 NAIA World Series Opening Round and achieve the school's first-ever national ranking in the NAIA Top 25 Baseball Poll.

Joining Dawson's coaching staff this season is first-year assistant coach **Jarrold Titus**. Titus comes to Tech after spending the past 14 seasons as the head baseball coach at Ottawa University in Ottawa, Kan. During his tenure with the Braves, Titus, who was Dawson's coach during his playing career at Ottawa, led OU to six KCAC Conference titles, earned KCAC Coach of the Year honors six times and was selected as the Region IV Coach of the Year in 2003.

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