

THEME: *Transformed Our System*

Message: We have made bold decisions and have aggressively transformed our minor league system that has started to impact our big league club.

- Our farm system was ranked by Baseball Prospectus as the number one farm system in all of baseball entering the 2022 campaign.
 - *Baseball America's mid-season rankings rated the Pirates with the ninth-best system after the organization entered the year third in all of baseball (MLB Pipeline top 100 prospects Oneil Cruz and Roansy Contreras both graduated from prospect status after making their big league debuts this season).
- 19 out of our top 30 prospects according to MLB Pipeline's most recent rankings have been added to our system since 2020.
 - *Five of the top six prospects are currently playing for Double-A Altoona (Henry Davis, Quinn Priester, Liover Peguero, Nick Gonzales and Endy Rodriguez).
 - *Seventeen of the top 30 prospects are also playing at the Double-A level and above.
- The success of the farm system has started to make an impact at the big league level in 2022.
 - *Pirates rookies have totaled 41 home runs this season, the second-highest in all of baseball and tied for the highest in team history along with the 2004 team.
 - *Jack Suwinski (14), Diego Castillo (10) lead the way in home runs by Pirates rookies. When Oneil Cruz hits his next home run, it will mark the first time in Pirates history that the team has had three different rookies with at least 10 home runs in a single season.
- We now have five prospects in the top 100 in all of MLB according to MLB Pipeline, tied with Cincinnati and Cleveland for the fifth-most among all organizations –*Henry Davis, C (No. 20), Termarr Johnson, SS (No. 30), Quinn Priester, RHP (No. 47), Liover Peguero, SS (No. 65), and Nick Gonzales, 2B (No. 99)*
- The Pirates signed four of MLB Pipeline's top 90 prospects in Termarr Johnson (fourth), Thomas Harrington (45th), Hunter Barco (75th) and Michael Kennedy (89th) and six total in MLB Pipeline's top 250 prospects in Tres Gonzalez (138th) and Jack Brannigan (164th).
- Termarr Johnson, who was selected fourth overall in the 2022 draft, was one of 11 players from the 2022 draft to be recognized among MLB Pipeline's top 100 prospects.
- International free agent signings making an impact in the minor league system.
 - Shalin Polanco, rated by MLB Pipeline as the third-best outfielder in the 2020-21 international draft class, joined Pittsburgh's deep farm system as the 25th-best prospect after Roansy Contreras graduated from prospect status in July.
 - Po-Yu Chen, who was rated as the 22nd-best international prospect for the 2019-20 international signing class according to FanGraphs, has taken home pitcher-of-the-week accolades three times during the 2022 season with Low-A Bradenton.
- One of our two Dominican Summer League entries headed into the final full week of the season tied for the second-most wins among all teams at the rookie level of baseball, which

consists of the Dominican Summer League, Florida Complex League and Arizona Complex League.

