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CLEVELAND -- Nationally-ranked Oakland fell behind 6-1 after 3-1/2 innings, then scored 15 unanswered runs in its last three at bats to upend Farragut 16-6 Thursday to earn a berth in Friday's TSSAA Class AAA baseball championship game.

The Patriots (37-2) also avenged one of its regular-season losses. Oakland lost to the Admirals (33-9) during a Knoxville tournament in April.

Oakland scored nine in the fifth inning to erase Farragut's 6-2 advantage.

Jeremy Slayden and Casey Rauschenberger had two-run homers to lead off the inning to tie the game. The Patriots preceded to load the bases where Chuck Akers cleared them with a triple.

Akers was 3-for-4 with a double, triple, stolen base and four runs scored. Slayden drove in three runs. Brennan King, Rauschenberger and Jeremy Wilson had two hits each.

Hunter Rigsby's two-run homer in the fourth extended Farragut's lead to 6-1.

Jay Sadlowe capped the Admirals' four-run third with a two-run single.

Team	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E
Farragut	0	0	4	2	0	0	x	6	7	2
Oakland	1	0	0	1	9	5	x	16	15	0

Chris Clark, Chris Goodrich (5), Brandon Hackett (6) and Jason Wright; John Williams and Brian Blaylock. WP -- Williams 11-0. LP -- Goodrich. HR -- Farragut, Hunter Rigsby; Oakland, Jeremy Slayden, Casey Rauschenberger. Records: Farragut 33-9; Oakland 37-2.