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Giants Double-A Catcher Drew Cavanaugh Focuses On Getting Better Every Day

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Giants farm director **Kyle Haines** said the Sacramento pitching staff quickly learned to appreciate Cavanaugh's work because "his intellect for the game is really high . . . Everybody there is very comfortable with him managing the game from behind the plate."

Cavanaugh said his preparation combines the factual with the personal. He'll look at scouting reports and video. "It would be almost idiotic not to use the stuff that they give to us," he said. But he also makes sure to talk with each starter.

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With that conversation, Cavanaugh wants to put “just a little more emphasis on the pitcher and how I can help him get to where he wants to go.”

As for Cavanaugh’s overall defensive game, Haines praised his “pitch-calling, framing, blocking, throwing . . . There’s really not a glaring weakness behind the plate.”

Cavanaugh has thrived at the plate in 2025. Through 81 games, he was slashing .271/.398/.467 with 13 home runs at four minor league levels. “He’s got a good idea for what a quality at-bat is,” Haines said.

In 362 plate appearances this season, Cavanaugh had struck out 99 times and drawn 57 walks.

The Giants’ 17th-round pick in 2023 out of Division II Florida Southern, Cavanaugh was “very a much late bloomer, so to speak,” Haines said.

Cavanaugh, 23, believes his strong 2025 stems from “not focusing so much on the results and just focusing on getting better every single day.”

Prominent Florida Southern alums to make the majors include pitchers **Rob Dibble**, **Andy McGaffigan** and **Brett Tomko** and outfielder **Matt Joyce**.