# 2022 RENEGADES COACHES & STAFF

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### HV RENEGADES FIELD STAFF



BATS: RIGHT THROWS: RIGHT BORN: DECEMBER 8, 1987 RESIDES: ROCK ISLAND, IL YEARS WITH NYY: 5 HEIGHT: 6'2" WEIGHT: 225 LBS <u>DID YOU KNOW?</u>: BLASER GRADUATED FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA WITH A DEGREE IN HISTORY AND SECONDARY EDUATION, AND WAS BRIEFLY A HIGH SCHOOL HISTORY TEACHER AFTER RETIRING AS A PLAYER.

It was announced March 24, 2022 that former Yankees farmhand Tyson Blaser will manage the Hudson Valley Renegades for the 2022 season. He is the 17<sup>th</sup> manager in Hudson Valley franchise history, and the second in the Yankees era (2021-Present). He joins Dan Fiorito (2021) as skippers to serve under the Yankees affiliation.

Blaser enjoyed a four-year playing career as a catcher and first baseman in the Yankees organization from 2011-2014, reaching as high as Double-A Trenton. He spent the 2021 season as the manager for the FCL Yankees in the Florida Complex League. The FCL Yankees finished 36-16, the best record in the FCL North Division and second-best record

overall in the 18-team circuit. He has previously worked in the organization as a coach with Triple-A Scranton/Wilkes-Barre (2017), GCL Yankees 1 (2018) and Short Season-A Staten Island (2019).

Blaser, 34, was a four-time Academic All-Big Ten selection during his collegiate career at the University of Iowa. He was named a 3rd Team All-Big Ten selection as a senior after finishing second in the conference with 18 doubles. That season he was also named Johnny Bench Award Watch List, which honors the best catcher in NCAA baseball. Following his senior season, he was signed by the Yankees as a non-drafted free agent.

In 135 professional games in the GCL (2011), Tampa (11-13), Charleston (12) and Trenton (13-14), Blaser hit .263/.347/.333 with one career home run and 48 RBIs.

In between his playing career and the beginning of his work with Yankees Player Development, Blaser served as a history teacher and baseball coach at United Township High School in East Moline, Illinois.

Blaser is a native of Taylor Ridge, Illinois and graduated from Rock Ridge High School.



 TYSON BLASER MINOR LEAGUE MANAGERIAL RECORD

 YEAR
 TEAM
 LEAGUE
 RECORD
 FINISH
 ORGANIZATION
 PLAYOFFS

 2021
 FCL Yankees
 Florida Complex League
 36-16
 1st FCL North
 Yankees
 N/A

 MiLB CAREER (1 Year)
 36-16 (.692)
 36-16 (.692)
 1st FCL North
 Yankees
 N/A

#### V RENEGADES FIELD STA



#### PITCHING COACH ENCER MEDICK

BATS: LEFT THROWS: LEFT BORN: MAY 23, 1991 RESIDES: CHANDLER, AZ

**HEIGHT:** 6'3"

WEIGHT: 220 LBS DID YOU KNOW? WHILE WORKING FOR DRIVELINE BASEBALL, MEDICK PUBLISHED SEVERAL ARTICLES ON TRAINING AND NUTRITION FOR THE FACILITY'S WEBSITE.

Medick begins his first season in the Yankees organization in 2022 and makes his professional coaching debut with Hudson Valley. He previously served as a throwing trainer at Driveline Baseball, a data-driven baseball player development center in Kent, Washington from 2019-22. Before joining Driveline, he was the lead throwing trainer at Prime Sports Performance, an athletic training facility in Glen Arm, Maryland from 2018-19.

He began working at Prime Sports Performance after finishing a four year professional career as a left-handed pitcher. Medick pitched for the AZL Diamondbacks in 2014, going 3-0 with a 1.17 ERA (30.2 IP/4 ER) and 32K in 15 relief appearances. He then spent three seasons playing independent baseball in the Frontier League with the Southern Illinois Miners (2015), Joliet Slammers (2015-16, 18) and Evansville Otters (2018).

He embarked on his professional career after pitching collegiately at Hampden-Sydney College (2010), Polk State College (FL) (2011), and Elon University (2012, 13). He graduated from Elon with a bachelor's degree in business administration and management.





THROWS: RIGHT BATS: RIGHT

HEIGHT: 6'0"

WEIGHT: 200 LBS

DID YOU KNOW? BENJAMIN ATTENDED TRUMAN HIGH SCHOOL IN THE BRONX, APPROXIMATELY 10 MILES FROM YANKEE STADIUM.

Benjamin begins his first season coaching for the Yankees in 2022, after previously serving as a hitting coach in the Seattle Mariners organization from 2018-2021. In 2021, he was the hitting coach for the Modesto Nuts, who led Low-A West in batting average (.276), on-base percentage (.371), and walks (545), while also ranking second in RBIs (642) and runs scored (722), tied for second in doubles (253) and third in hits (1,116), despite playing only 115 games. The Nuts ranked in the top 20 of all minor league teams in average (7th), doubles (t-7th), walks (10th), on-base percentage (12th), runs scored (15th) and triples (18th, 35).

Prior to joining the Mariners, Benjamin served as the Managing Director and Hitting Coach of 108 Performance Academy in Irvine, California (2017-18), NYC Private Hitting Instructor (2010-17) and began his coaching career as a volunteer assistant at Baruch College (2002-05), CCNY (2005-07) and St. Joseph's College Brooklyn (2010).

Rob was born in Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico, and he and his wife, Lissette, grew up in the South Bronx and have two sons, Mason and Noah. They currently reside in the Hudson Valley. He has a bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice from CUNY John Jay, and is currently pursuing a master's degree in Organizational Leadership from CUNY Lehman. Benjamin graduated from Harry S Truman High School in Co-op City.

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BATS: RIGHT THROWS: RIGHT H BORN: SEPTEMBER 16, 1992 RESIDES: PUERTO PLATA, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

HEIGHT: 5'10" WEIGHT: 160 LBS <u>DID YOU KNOW</u>: JAVIER HAS N BEEN A COACH IN THE YANKEES ORGANIZATION SINCE HE WAS ONLY 24 YEARS OLD.

Javier enters his sixth season in the Yankees organization and his first with Hudson Valley in 2022, after spending 2021 with the Double-A Somerset Patriots as a defensive coach. He was scheduled to spend the 2020 season with Double-A Trenton before the season was canceled due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Javier has also served as the lower level baserunning and outfield coordinator in 2019, and as the defensive coach for A-Advanced Tampa in 2018 and Single-A Charleston in 2017.

He began coaching after a six-year playing career in the Yankees organization, having been signed as a non-drafted free agent in 2010. In 277 career games, he hit .250 (220-for-879) with 136R, 39 doubles, 13 triples, 13HR, 114RBI, 90BB and 56SB in 277 games.











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### ATHLETIC TRAINER **ONATHAN BECKER**

BORN: MARCH 16, 1991 RESIDES: EFFINGHAM, IL

DID YOU KNOW: BECKER RESIDES IN EFFINGHAM, ILLINOIS, THE HOMETOWN OF NEW YORK YANKEES RHP CHAD GREEN.

Becker begins his sixth season as a trainer in the Yankees organization and his first with Hudson Valley. He spent the 2021 season as a trainer with the FCL Yankees. Becker was assigned as the trainer for the Yankees' former Short Season-A Staten Island affiliate for the prior four years (2017-20). He previously served as an athletic trainer for HSHS St. Joseph's Hospital (Ill.) and Nashville Community High School (Ill.). Becker also interned with the Puget Sound Collegiate League in 2014. He graduated from McKendree University (Ill.) in 2013, with a B.S. in Athletic Training. Becker was born in Baton Rouge, La.



### STRENGTH & CONDITIONING ANNY SMITH

BORN: JUNE 3, 1992 RESIDES: TAMPA, FL DID YOU KNOW: SMITH WAS BORN IN BRADFORD, PENNSYLVANIA, AN 1800S OIL BOOMTOWN AND HOME OF THE ZIPPO POCKET LIGHTERS MUSEUM AND MANUFACTURING FACILITY.

Smith returns for his sixth season in the Yankees organization and his second as the strength and conditioning coach for the Renegades. He was assigned to the same role for the Yankees' former Short Season-A Staten Island affiliate from 2018-20. Smith also served as strength and conditioning coach for the Yankees' former Rookie-level Pulaski affiliate in 2017. Prior to joining the Yankees, he served as the assistant strength and conditioning coach for Western Kentucky University (2016-17) and the University of South Florida (2015-16). Smith also interned at Penn State (2015) and Gannon University (2014-15). He graduated from the University of Pittsburgh at Bradford with a B.S. in Sports Medicine in 2014, and earned his M.S. in Sport and Exercise Science from Gannon University in 2015



### MANAGERIAL HISTORY

YEAR	MANAGER	RECORD
1994	Doug Sisson	37-37 (.500)
	Sisson Totals	37-37 (.500)
1995	Bump Wills	47-27 (.635)
	Playoffs	0-2 (.000)
1996	Bump Wills	32-44 (.421)
	Wills Totals	79-71 (.527)
	Playoffs	0-2 (.000)
1997	Julio Garcia	35-40 (.467)
	Garcia Totals	35-40 (.467)
1998	Charlie Montoyo	50-26 (.658)
	Playoffs	0-2 (.000)
	Montoyo Totals	50-26 (.658)
	Playoffs	0-2 (.000)
1999	Edwin Rodriguez	42-34 (.553)
	Playoffs	4-2 (.667)
	Rodriguez Totals	42-34 (.553)
	Playoffs	4-2 (.667)
2000	Dave Silvestri	23-52 (.307)
	Silvestri Totals	23-52 (.307)
2001	Dave Howard	39-37 (.513)
2002	Dave Howard	26-49 (.347)
2003	Dave Howard	37-37 (.500)
2004	Dave Howard	39-33 (.542)
2005	Dave Howard	31-43 (.419)
	Howard Totals	172-199 (.464)
2006	Matt Quatraro	31-43 (.419)
2007	Matt Quatraro	34-42 (.447)
	Quatraro Totals	65-75 (.464)
2008	Joe Alvarez	40-35 (.533)
	Alvarez Totals	40-35 (.533)
2009	Brady Williams	38-37 (.507)
	Williams Totals	38-37 (.507)
2010	Jared Sandberg	39-36 (.520)
2011	Jared Sandberg	37-39 (.487)
2012	Jared Sandberg	52-24 (.684)
	Playoffs	4-2 (.667)

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	Sandberg Totals	128-99 (.563)
	Playoffs	4-2 (.667)
2013	Mike Johns	38-37 (.507)
	Johns Totals	38-37 (.507)
2014	Tim Parenton	46-30 (.605)
	Playoffs	1-2 (.333)
2015	Tim Parenton	39-37 (.513)
2016	Tim Parenton	47-27 (.635)
	Playoffs	2-2 (.500)
	Parenton Totals	132-94 (.584)
	Playoffs	3-4 (.429)
2017	Craig Albernaz	44-32 (.579)
	Playoffs	4-1 (.800)
	Albernaz Totals	44-32 (.579)
	Playoffs	4-1 (.800)
2018	Blake Butera	45-30 (.600)
	Playoffs	2-2 (.500)
2019	Blake Butera	43-32 (.573)
	Playoffs	1-2 (.333)
	<b>Butera Totals</b>	88-62 (.587)
	Playoffs	3-4 (.429)
2021	Dan Fiorito	71-49 (.592)
	Fiorito Totals	71-49 (.592)



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