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ARKANSAS TECH BASEBALL ANNOUNCES THE RESIGNATION OF DAVID STEED AS AN ASSISTANT COACH

RUSSELLVILLE, Arkansas – Arkansas Tech Baseball Coach **Billy Goss** announced the resignation Tuesday of **David Steed** as a graduate assistant coach.

Steed, who spent four seasons working with the Wonder Boys, resigned to take a fulltime coaching position at fellow Gulf South Conference school, University of West Alabama.

"This is a great opportunity for David and we're excited for him on his new job," Goss said. "He will be terribly missed here at Tech."

Goss says he was fortunate to be able to work with Steed for four years and he did a tremendous job in his time with the Wonder Boys.

"David brought a lot to the table, as he had a tremendous work ethic, a lot of energy and enthusiasm and had eight years of professional baseball playing experience," Goss said.

At West Alabama, Steed will work with Tigers head coach Gary Rundles. He replaces former assistant Neal Holliman, who resigned to take a position at East Central Community College in Meridian, Miss.

"Mike Rundles is a good friend of mine and he is getting a tremendous addition to his staff," said Goss.

Steed, who is a native of Starkville, Miss., played two years of college baseball at Meridian Community College, before being drafted by the Los Angeles Dodgers in 1993. Steed spent seven seasons in the Dodgers organization, including playing three seasons of Triple A baseball before joining the Texas Rangers Triple A affiliate in Oklahoma City in 2001 prior to entering the coaching ranks.

Goss said a search is underway for Steed's replacement and he hopes to have one in place before school starts in three weeks.

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Transactions: Arkansas Tech University announces the resignation of graduate assistant baseball coach David Steed to take an assistant baseball coaching position at the University of West Alabama.