



Fresh off a 3-4 road trip against the American League East, the Indians will host the Baltimore Orioles in a four-game wraparound series at Progressive Field to kick off a seven-game homestand. With the trade deadline on the horizon, the standings a jumbled mess, and the Indians and Orioles separated by just one game in the wild card standings, this is a big series for both teams.

The Indians showed the inconsistency that has plagued them all season long during this past road trip to Toronto and Tampa Bay. At times, the Indians pitched well, hit well, and played good defense. At other times, the Indians pitched poorly, hit beyond awful, and played average defense. Gaining ground continues to be an issue because the Indians seem to be losing three or four for every three or four that they win.

The Orioles are still living off their 29-22 start. Since the beginning of June, they're 19-22 and have been outscored by 63 runs. Like the Indians, the Orioles have excelled in one-run games, where they are 18-6. They're also 10-2 in extra innings. Since June 26, the Orioles are just 7-16, including a series where they lost three out of four at home to the Indians.

With the Tigers, who come to town on Tuesday, reeling off 10 of 12 and the White Sox allowing the Indians to stay in the hunt, this series is huge. It's also Rock N' Blast weekend down at the ballpark. Here are the pitching matchups for the four-game wraparound series.





It is a very interesting and complex topic, and the fact that the Indians are securing early