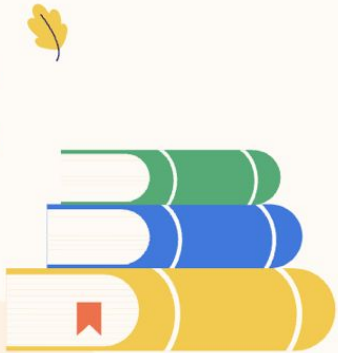


Junior Varsity Softball and Baseball Team Feasibility Study



Student-Athlete Interest

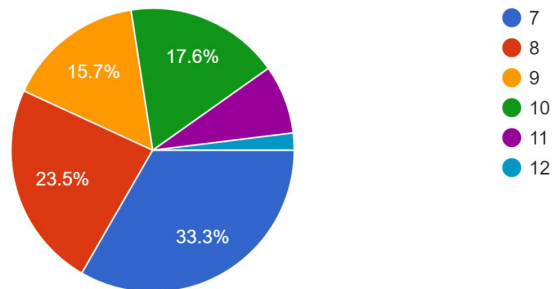
- 62 students completed the survey during the week of October 14th
 - Students were reminded during this week to complete the survey throughout the week.
 - 11 who answered had no interest in playing baseball or softball during the 2025 spring season



Survey Charts

- 27 = Softball/ 24 = Baseball
 - 17 - 7th grade
 - BB - 8; SB - 9
 - 12 - 8th grade
 - BB- 7; SB - 5
 - 8 - 9th grade
 - BB - 2; SB - 6
 - 9 - 10th grade
 - BB - 5; SB - 4
 - 4 - 11th grade
 - BB - 2; SB - 2
 - 1 - 12th grade
 - BB - 0; SB - 1

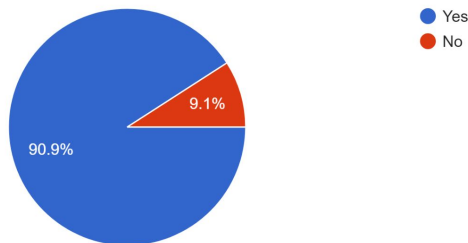
Grade
51 responses



Survey Charts

- Of the 9th - 12th grade student athletes who answered, 20 would play junior varsity if they were not selected for varsity(8 BB; 12 SB); 2 would not play (1 BB; 1 SB).

If you were not selected to play on the varsity team, would you play on the junior varsity team?
22 responses

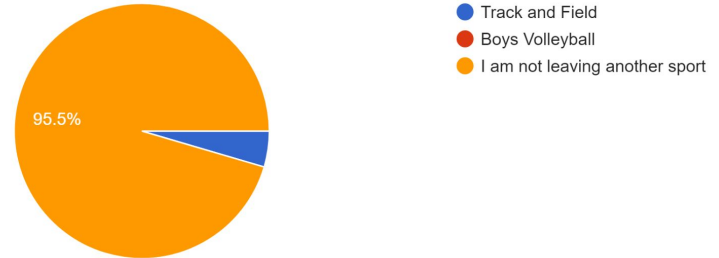


Survey Charts

- Impact on other sports appears minimal. 1 student would be leaving track and field.

If you are to sign up for Softball/ Baseball, would this mean you are leaving another sport? If so, which sport would you be leaving?

22 responses



Field Availability

- Field sharing with practice schedules





Teams with JV Programs

- According to Coach Peters, the following schools have JV programs: Abington, Scranton, West Scranton, Mid Valley, Riverside, Old Forge, Dunmore, & Holy Cross



Budget Considerations

	Low End	High End
<u>Field Costs</u>		
Backstop/ Safety Fence	\$5,000.00	\$10,000.00
Infield Dirt	\$14,000.00	\$16,000.00
Bases	\$600.00	\$1,000.00
Additional PT Maintenance	\$25,000.00	\$25,000.00
Transportation	\$4,000.00	\$5,000.00

Budget Considerations

	Low End	High End
<u>Employee Costs</u>		
Stipend/ 2 Head Coaches	\$8,500.00	\$10,200.00
Retirement	\$1,441.00	\$1,729.00
FICA	\$325.00	\$390.00
<u>Equipment</u>		
Catchers Gear	\$700.00	\$1,200.00
Gameballs/ Practice Balls	\$200.00	\$400.00
Uniforms	\$960.00	\$960.00

Budget Considerations

	Low End	High End
Costs to Launch Programs	\$59,766.00	\$70,919.00
Ongoing Costs	\$14,466.00	\$17,719.00

Input from Coaches

Pros

- All students make a team and we won't need to have cuts.
- JH teams wouldn't be as large because freshmen can play JV if they aren't ready for varsity.
- Varsity teams may not need to keep as many athletes on their roster.

Cons

- We are very limited with practice facilities during winter months so adding 2 more teams can hurt the varsity teams. We currently have 4 teams rotating in the HS gym during the month of March and sometimes April. Each team currently gets an hour and a half of practice time.
- Field availability is a concern. There is 1 softball field and 1 baseball field. If this becomes a reality, we will have 3 teams for baseball and 3 teams for softball that will need to share a field.
- It wouldn't be able to work like other JV teams where the JV game is on the same day as varsity and simply plays earlier. It would unfortunately prevent varsity from being able to practice on their home field most of the time because there would be JV games on different days of the week along with JH games.
- Getting all games in might be tough. Scheduling will be difficult with only 1 field for softball and 1 field for baseball.

Other Options

- Teener League
- Christy Mathewson League



Conclusion and Next Steps