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## Eisenhower Baseball Field Questions

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Hello Brian & Michael,

Hope you guys are doing well!

I'm involved with the PHWYBS baseball/softball organization and we use Eisenhower field during the spring and summer months. I know the park district handles the prepping of the field throughout the season but I'm not sure who handles the overall field upkeep. Specifically, the dirt and the dugout benches are what I am referring to at this time.

Over the years the dirt gradually erodes away, especially with rains like we saw this past summer. The IKE field isn't in too bad of shape but the dirt level is starting to be lower than the grass level and as a result the puddling and run-off occurs. I don't recall if new dirt has been added over the last few years but is this something that is possible for this upcoming spring? I understand that everything requiring spending money is never easy but I wasn't sure if this is something in the budget or not.

The same rain/run-off issues have also impacted the dugout benches and they are now on the verge of falling over which presents a potential safety issue if that were to happen. I don't think this is an immediate need this fall but something that should be addressed one way or another before the spring. This might be as easy as digging them up and re-setting them but it also may require a bit more work since concrete is involved. Again, I'm not sure if this is more of a school district or park district but I figured I would start with you guys.

We just happened to have a planning meeting last night for our league so I'm reaching out while it is still fresh on my mind. This is not urgent but let me know if you are the guys to talk to or if there is someone else I should direct these questions to within D23. I live right next to the IKE field so I'd be happy to meet someone out there to discuss if that would help.

Thanks,

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