

Activities Director Report- Frank Bartsch  
5/19/25

Softball, baseball and golf are in full swing, and this week is very busy with games and meets. We haven't had many cancellations, so teams have been able to compete regularly.

The softball team has continued to play well and have been hitting and getting strong performances on the mound. We anticipate the girls playing a road game to start the playoffs next week. The baseball team continues to learn and grow and has 4 games left in their season. I forwarded coach contacts from other teams in our region to the coaches so they can schedule games this summer. The golf team finally got outside and have two meets this week and our home meet on the 19<sup>th</sup>. I ask the girls regularly if they are having fun and learning and they all smile, so that is encouraging. Their first competition is on Monday, 4/28.

Softball participation was reduced by one student-athlete choosing to quit, baseball lost one to injury and one to quitting and golf still has 3 girls playing.

As stated before, our fall volleyball schedule is set and officials have been assigned. The girls will host an 8-team home tournament on 8/22 and will play in road tournaments on 9/20/25 and 10/4/25 as part of their 17-date regular season schedule. Football is waiting on the MSHSL to finish District placement, but it looks like our football cooperative will stay in Section 5 for 2025. It looks like the Junior High football team will have 7 games, Both basketball schedules have been completed and officials notified of dates for home games.

Polar League Update – Previous talk about Barnum leaving the conference to join a conference further south has subsided. Regardless of how it turns out, we will still play them.

I will have a season wrap-up of all of our spring sports in the June Board Report

As always, if you see any issues that need to be brought to my attention or have topics you would like me to include in my monthly reports, please let me know via email at [fbartsch@isd698.org](mailto:fbartsch@isd698.org) or phone at 218.269.9207. The same goes for any questions you may have.  
Go Bears!

Thank you.

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