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To: Board of Education

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Re: Athletics Update

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Fall Sports Participation

This fall, 46.7% of Chelsea High School students are participating in a fall sport. The rate is very similar to the fall of 2024, when 46.8% of Chelsea High School students were participating in fall sports, and up from the fall of 2023, when 45.1% of students participated in a fall sport.

Coaching Accolades

Congratulations to Chelsea Varsity Football Assistant Coach Grant Fanning, who will be inducted into the Michigan High School Coaches Association Hall of Fame on Sunday, September 14 in Mount Pleasant. Coach Fanning has coached for 33 years, including the past 28 years as Defensive Coordinator for the Bulldogs. He was inducted into the Michigan High School Football Coaches Association (MHSFCA) Hall of Fame in 2022 and has twice been named the MHSFCA Assistant Coach of the Year in 2008 and 2021. Congratulations to Coach Fanning on this well-deserved recognition!

Head Coaching Update

We are excited to announce that John Daniels has been selected as the next varsity head coach for Chelsea Softball. Coach Daniels has been coaching in the program since 2016 and coached for many years before that in local travel softball.

Go Bulldogs!

Respectfully,

Matt Cunningham, Athletic Director

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