

Madison Central Softball Field
Review on Thursday March 8, 2007

The grass in the outfield was spotty, and clumpy. It had not been mowed. If it had been seeded in the fall you couldn't tell. It looked as though some of the grass was dead or slow to become green. The grass on the field is Bermuda. There is one area in left field that is not level. There are a couple of dips in the ground that are not too bad but are noticeable. The infield looked good. The fence had one section where the top pipe had come apart. The fence cap was not completely finished. Just a small part had been attached to the fence.

The first thing to look at is the type of grass used on the outfield. Is Bermuda grass the correct kind to use? If so then this field should be seeded. If not then the outfield needs to be sodded with the correct grass after the season is over, and the current spots that need it should be seeded for the time being. The left field area should be rolled to level it and additional dirt may need to be added to accomplish this. Seed or sod will have to be done also. Doing this now would make a mess in left field since games will start in 2 weeks.

A review of the Madison Central High School Policy for Use and Maintenance of Softball field shows:

1. a. the fence is up but the installation of the fence cap is not complete.
3. b. part of the outfield should have been seeded.
d. part of left field should have been rolled and leveled.
4. Section of the fence should be fixed.
5. Mowing has not started.

A copy of the school policy is included with this report.

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Policy for use & Maintenance of Softball Field

1. Fence will be put up in the spring and taken down in the fall
 - A. Fence cap will be installed when fence is up
 - B. Fence will be stored on the softball infield
2. Grass part of the softball field will be monitored for wear and abuse during the fall football practice season (freshman only practice there)
3. If wear is apparent the field will be rolled and reseeded in the fall to ready for spring softball
 - A. Field will be plugged for aeration At the end of football season
 - B. Field will be seeded in the fall and reseeded in the spring if necessary
 - C. Field will be dragged and plugs distributed for field smoothing at the end of football season
 - D. Field will be rolled for smoothness if needed in the spring prior to February 15 or as soon after February 15 as weather permits
4. Field will be maintained to high standards to prevent injuries and bad appearances.
5. Mowing of the softball field will start in early March to ensure smoothness and uniformity.