



Why is Lasell Field Important?



Memorial to John Whitin Lasell

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- ★ **A Centerpiece to the Northbridge Community**
- ★ **A Home to both MS and HS Activities**

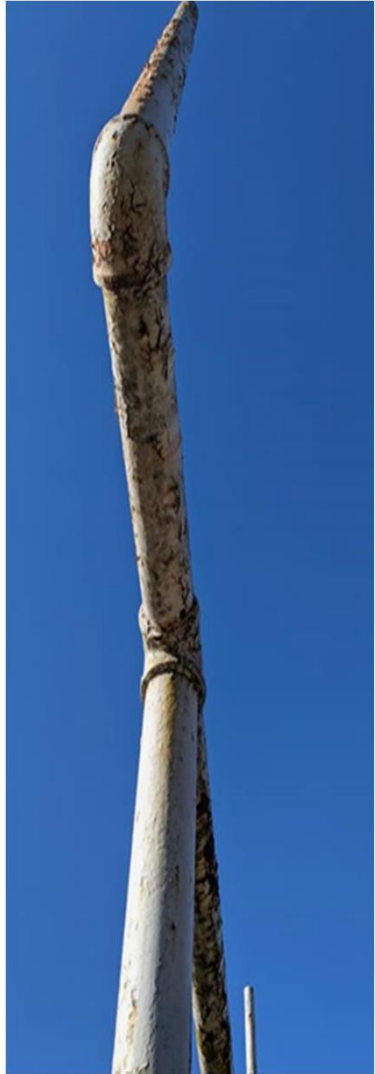
What Do We Teach Our Kids Every Day?

Responsible
Achievement
Mutual Respect
Service





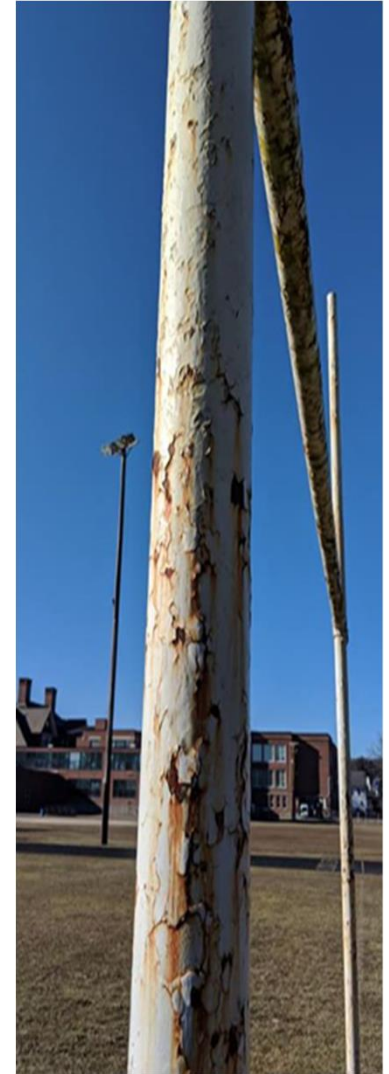
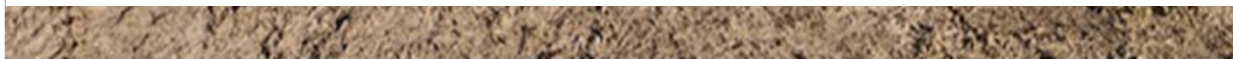




**Are we honoring
John W. Lasell?**



**Are we showing
RAMS Pride?**





Specific List of Issues

- 1) **Grass** is beyond repair; sparse, sinkholes, mud
- 2) **Goal posts** are rusted
- 3) **Goal posts** are on the field of play
- 4) **Bleachers** are not to code
- 5) **Field** does not support
full soccer field
- 6) **Track** is beyond repair and
cannot hold track meets
- 7) **Sprinklers** need repair
- 8) **Lights** are past their useful life



Specific List of Issues

Who uses the Field?

Middle School

Gym Class

Track

Soccer - Boys

Soccer - Girls

Football

Field Hockey

HS - JV

Track

Soccer - Boys

Soccer - Girls

Football

Field Hockey

Lacrosse - Boys

Lacrosse - Girls

HS - Varsity

Track

Soccer - Boys

Soccer - Girls

Football

Field Hockey

Band

Lacrosse – Boys

Lacrosse - Girls

Other

*Youth Sports
Community

* Limited today given amount condition of the field

What are we
risking?
What is our
Opportunity?

“ Safety of our kids

“ Usage - Ability to Play

“ Community Pride & Engagement

“ Property Values - Family Selling
Point/Investment in Town

“ **Appropriately honoring John W. Lasell**



How do we compare to other towns?



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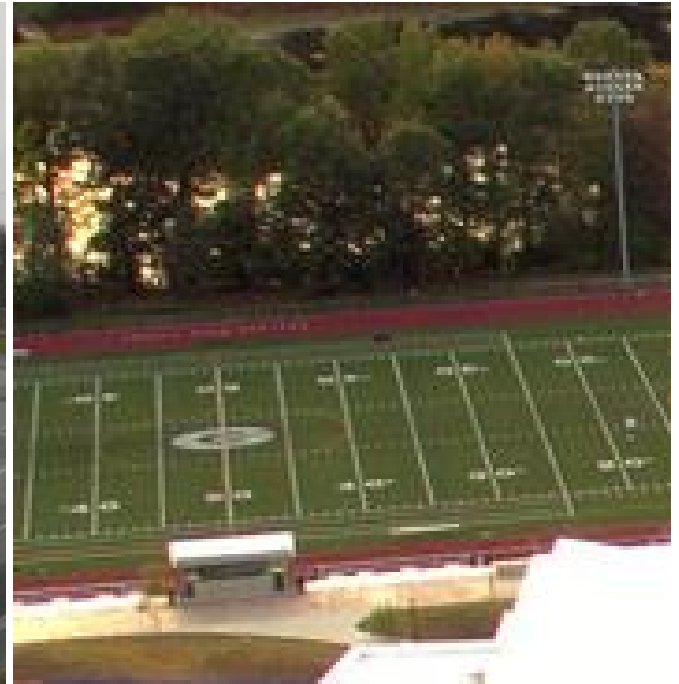
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Shepherd Hill Oakmont Groton Dunstable Marlborough Wachusett Nashoba Tantasqua

"This is the best investment ever made in athletics at Doyle Field. We can play in any kind of weather, no rainouts, and all four sports teams and leagues love the playing surface. Without jinxing ourselves, we have had no major injuries on this beautiful surface. We highly recommend this type of surface as it has saved us weekly mowing and bagging as well as fertilizing and other treatments." - Patrick LaPointe, Doyle Field Coordinator, Leominster

"At WHS we could not operate without our turf field. The lack of field space on campus would make it impossible to have all of our varsity teams play their home games on the high school campus. A single grass field would not be able to handle the amount of use the turf field accommodates. The turf field is the center of our facility and truly serves as our "home" field." - Johanna DiCarlo, Director of Athletics, Westborough Public Schools

**North Middlesex Leominster
Hopkinton Holliston Ashland Westboro Bellingham Franklin**



Do we compare?



Friends of Lasell Field

**is an organization
formed to research, plan and promote
a capital project to renovate and upgrade the
Lasell Field Complex located at 171 Linwood Avenue, Whitinsville MA**



PROJECT FEATURES:
400 SEAT HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE BLEACHERS WITH PRESSBOX
MULTI-USE SYNTHETIC TURF FIELD PROVIDING PERMANENT LINES FOR SOCCER, FOOTBALL, LACROSSE AND FIELD HOCKEY
400 METER TRACK, 8 LANE STRIKE-IT AND 8 LANE OVAL
HIGH JUMP, TRIPLE JUMP, LONG JUMP, POLE VOLT, DISCUS, SHOT PUT, AND JAVELIN FACILITIES

What is the Cost?

* Figures are an estimate from RAD, preliminary research finds the estimates to be reasonable

Field	\$ 900 K
Track	\$ 750 K
Eco Drain	\$ 90 K
Lights	\$ 450 K
Bleachers	\$ 140 K
Press Box	\$ 125 K
Netting	\$ 20 K
Other	\$ 300 K
TOTAL COST	\$ 2,775 K

What About Maintenance?

Lasell Field Grass Maintenance						Lasell Field Turf Maintenance				Maintenance Compare
	*Annual Maintenance Supplies	**Annual Maintenance Labor	***Sod/Seed	Total Cost		& Annual Maintenance	&& Replacement Cost	Total Cost		(Savings) with Turf
Year 1	\$ 14,947	\$ 20,000	\$ 187,799	\$ 222,746		\$ 7,500	\$ -	\$ 7,500	\$	(215,246)
Year 2	\$ 15,096	\$ 20,200	\$ -	\$ 35,296		\$ 7,575	\$ -	\$ 7,575	\$	(27,721)
Year 3	\$ 15,247	\$ 20,402	\$ -	\$ 35,649		\$ 7,651	\$ -	\$ 7,651	\$	(27,999)
Year 4	\$ 15,400	\$ 20,606	\$ -	\$ 36,006		\$ 7,727	\$ -	\$ 7,727	\$	(28,279)
Year 5	\$ 15,554	\$ 20,812	\$ -	\$ 36,366		\$ 7,805	\$ -	\$ 7,805	\$	(28,561)
Year 6	\$ 15,709	\$ 21,020	\$ 197,379	\$ 234,109		\$ 7,883	\$ -	\$ 7,883	\$	(226,226)
Year 7	\$ 15,867	\$ 21,230	\$ -	\$ 37,097		\$ 7,961	\$ -	\$ 7,961	\$	(29,136)
Year 8	\$ 16,025	\$ 21,443	\$ -	\$ 37,468		\$ 8,041	\$ -	\$ 8,041	\$	(29,427)
Year 9	\$ 16,185	\$ 21,657	\$ -	\$ 37,843		\$ 8,121	\$ -	\$ 8,121	\$	(29,721)
Year 10	\$ 16,347	\$ 21,874	\$ -	\$ 38,221		\$ 8,203	\$ -	\$ 8,203	\$	(30,018)
Year 11	\$ 16,511	\$ 22,092	\$ 207,447	\$ 246,051		\$ 8,285	\$ -	\$ 8,285	\$	(237,766)
Year 12	\$ 16,676	\$ 22,313	\$ -	\$ 38,989		\$ 8,368	\$ 502,051	\$ 510,418	\$	471,429
Total 12 Year Cost	\$ 189,565	\$ 253,650	\$ 592,626	\$ 1,035,841		\$ 95,119	\$ 502,051	\$ 597,170	\$	(438,672)

1% annual increase applied to all costs for annual inflation increases.

*Annual Grass Maintenance Assumes Proper Care (based on estimate provided by Scott McIntosh) and can vary based upon many factors.

** Labor cost assumes ~20% of Maintenance Hours applied to Lasell Field.

***Sod/Seed is based on estimate in year 1 provided by Sports Turf Specialties. Total cost assumes similar service required every 5 years .

& Turf Maintenance proposal provided by RAD and includes the necessary elements of turf maintenance.

&& Assumes Estimated Replacement Cost of 450K today plus inflation of 2.5%

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to fund the renovation of the Lasell Field Complex**





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