

**To:** Dr. Charles Johns  
Board of Education

**From:** Dr. Kim Ptak  
Dr. R.J. Gravel

**Date:** Monday, May 10, 2021

**Re:** Additional Summer 2021 Capital Project: Replacement of Glenbrook North Batting Cages

### **Recommendation**

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve a quote from Paddock Enterprises for \$19,925 for two baseball batting cages at Glenbrook North and Kloefer Construction for \$20,730 for the associated concrete pad work. The total project cost will not exceed \$40,655.

### **Background**

Glenbrook North has two baseball batting cages used by all of their baseball teams. The existing cages were installed in the late 1980s on a limestone screening near the first baseline of the Varsity baseball field. Recently the poles have rusted and deteriorated, the seasonal freezing and thawing of the ground have caused the poles to lift, and several sections of the netting are torn or missing. Pictures of the existing batting cages have been inserted below.

### **Existing Batting Cages at Glenbrook North**



In April 2021, as part of a routine risk assessment conducted through the school district's insurance consortium, SSCRMP, the existing batting cages were deemed necessary to remove or replace. After reviewing current and future needs, the operations team recommends a total replacement. Unlike the existing batting cages installation approach, the proposed replacement cages will sit on a 3" concrete pad.

This approach will limit the puddling of water and the collection of debris. An image illustrating the proposed replacement cages is inserted below, excluding the concrete pad.

**Proposed Replacement Batting Cages for Glenbrook North**



The District solicited quotes for both the batting cages and concrete pad work. The results are summarized in Table 1.

**Table 1**  
**Replacement Batting Cage Quotations**

Trade	Projects	
	Concrete Pad	Batting Cages
Allstar Construction	\$28,902	
D. Kersey	\$52,487	
Kloepfer Construction	\$20,730	
Monarch Construction		\$24,000
On Deck Sports		\$26,200
Paddock Enterprises		\$19,925

Based on the results from the quotation process, it is recommended that the Board of Education approve a quote from Paddock Enterprises for \$19,925 for two baseball batting cages at Glenbrook North and Kloepfer Construction for \$20,730 for the associated concrete pad work. The total project cost will not exceed \$40,655. If approved, this project will be incorporated into the 2021-22 fiscal year’s capital projects budget.