



Athletics Update

March 17, 2022

Modified Sports Forum

- Held on Tuesday March 1st with about 40 people in attendance which includes both in person and virtual.
- The focus was on what we can do to provide more opportunities for our student athletes at Gardner Dickinson.
 - Cross Country
 - LaCrosse
 - Bowling
 - Tennis
- Selective Classification (APP)
- Clubs (PTA sponsored Running Club)
- Intramurals
- PE Opportunities MS (weight Training)
- GD Communicating opportunities from our partnering High School Choices on our website

Next Steps

- Dr. Yodis and I met with Dr. Robert Zayas and Todd Nelson of NYSPHSAA.
- Discussed ways to enhance our modified programs
- Need to become full member status with Section II and NYSPHSAA (applied immediately but may take ??2 months?? to issue)
- Once a full member of Section II and NYSPHSAA:
 - Mergers (football?)
 - We could request to make a change that would allow the 13 K-8 districts in NYS an opportunity to have students play a modified sport at a different school

Spring Sports

- Baseball and Softball start Monday 3/21
- First week of practices will be held at Top Level Athletics in Rensselaer



Questions

- Baseball field Maintenance
- Benefits to the students and the community
- Can this be a community project?

