
Dover Field Options

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Good afternoon everyone,

Hope you are all having a great December! I recently got back from my national conference, which allowed me to talk with multiple vendors and take a class about field construction and maintenance. After talking with those groups, Neil and Peter I wanted to bring forward multiple different field/track options. These are all drafts and are definitely up for adjustments. The reasons behind some of the ideas are...

- If we are not going to use a red or black track, then gray may be our only option. Green track with a green field will be a lot of green. If we add the green transition zones, that will break it up nicely. The gray is a standard color and should not cost more but the transitions may. For reference, Tennessee University has a gray track with orange transition lanes and it looks pretty sharp.
- In an ideal situation, we are not getting lines cut into the fields for soccer, lacrosse or field hockey as that can make the field look extremely busy. This could also save us about 20k per field not cut into the turf. I have talked to a couple of paint companies and there are three types of paint that will last three different lengths. A more permanent one will last 8-10 months, another is 4-6 months and then a chalk based one will last 1-2 weeks (depending on weather). Shawn is aware of paint companies that will use a robot. If we could transition to a robot this will alleviate a lot of man hours for our grounds crew and give us the flexibility to paint out any type of field, senior numbers, lettering on the field as we feel needed.
- With regards to scoreboards, I would love to see, if money saved from the fields, baseball net down Bellamy and/or a donor could help us upgrade to more digital type scoreboards. This is where a lot of new stadiums are going towards and will give us a lot more flexibility. The all-purpose field will truly be all purpose, and the other stadium will allow a track meet to be fully up on a scoreboard.

- I'm not exactly sure who to ask but one of the classes I took the instructor brought up press boxes now needing to become ADA compliant in some states. I wanted to put this on your radar in case it is becoming a rule in NH.
- I talked with the baseball committee and while it is not a rule yet, they will be moving to the double first base soon. Neil and I talked yesterday about adding that anchor now so we don't need to do it in a couple of years.
- Confirming that the two stadiums will have their own wifi, separate from the schools? Will there be conduit going to all scoreboards in case we need to hardwire, if we do go digital? We will need hardwire available, at the finish line, on the inside of the track for meets.

Thank you all for what you have done and will do for this project! It is extremely exciting to see the progress every morning when I pull in.

Happy Holidays!!

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