

TABLE 12: DRAFT INVENTORY OF SCHOOL DISTRICT RECREATIONAL RESOURCES

	Playground/Tot-Lot	Benches/Bleachers	Multi-Use Field	Gymnasium	Swimming Pools	Cross Country Track	Multi - Ball Field	Basketball Court	Volleyball Court	Tennis Court	Soccer Field	Baseball Field/Softball Field	Football Field	Others
Florida Union Free School District														
S.S. Seward High School			1	1			1	1-ID	1-ID					* 2 Soccer nets, Gym
Field of Dreams		X									2			Concession stand with storage facility, infield to be build in 2007
Golden Hill Elementary	X	X		1				1-ID	1-ID		2	2		
Warwick Valley School District														
Warwick Valley High School/Middle School		X	1	3	1-ID	1	1	6-ID	6-ID	5	1	2 BB & 2 SB	1	40' by 70' modified soccer field Concession stand, Weight room
Park Avenue Elementary	X			1				1-ID	1-ID	2				
Kings Elementary School	X			1				1-ID	1-ID			3		
Sandfordville Elementary	X			1		1		1	1-ID		2	1		Lacrosse field
Pine Island Elementary				1			1	1	1-ID		1			Wall ball board
Greenwood Lake Union Free School District														
Elementary	X			1				1-ID						
Greenwood Lake Middle School	X			1			1	1	1-ID		1	2		

Note - Data compiled by field visits and phone conversations with individual school district representatives.

Note - ID = In Door

Note - ID Volleyball Courts are removable nets setup in Gymnasium Facilities

It should be noted that while some facilities are open to the public, most require permission and scheduling beforehand. For several of the school districts, their facilities are only open during school hours or during the work week. Facility Use Forms are required for use of many field or court facilities.

Florida Union Free School District

This section contains information received by a phone conversation with Ms. Helen Arena, Secretary to Douglas Burnside, Superintendent of Schools. The phone interview was conducted at 11:52 a.m., on January 31, 2006.

S.S. Seward Institute

The school representative was able to verify the following outdoor recreational resources:

- Multi-Use Field
- Ball Field
- A Soccer Field

The existing fields can be used to accommodate lacrosse. Additional indoor recreational resources were identified during the interview. The indoor recreation resources included:

- Indoor Gymnasium
- Basketball Court (within Gymnasium)
- Removable Volley Ball Nets (to be used in the Gymnasium).

When asked, “Are the availability of school recreational resources made available to Town & Village Residents.”

The answer was, “Recreational resources are available for use by public and civic organizations through formal requests made to the school board.” The school board has the ability to approve the use of recreational resources to a public organization provided the organization obtains a required insurance policy naming the school district as additionally insured and signs a use agreement contract.

Ms. Arena was unaware of any current agreements to use the indoor recreational facilities but did believe an agreement was in place with a community youth soccer organization. Ms. Arena noted, “the district serves students from the Village of Florida and a small section of the Town of Goshen.”

Golden Hill Elementary School

Ms. Arena confirmed the following outdoor recreational resources:

- Playground
- Benches/Bleachers
- Ball Field

- Soccer Field

Contained indoors within the elementary school are the following recreational resources:

- Gymnasium
- Basketball Court (within Gymnasium)

Field Of Dreams

The outdoor recreational resources identified through the visual survey of the Field of Dreams Location were confirmed. Ms. Arena indicated that a community youth soccer organization uses the Soccer facility, while the baseball field was used for practice purposes only and does not accommodate regular Little League games. The Concession Stand can be used by civic organizations during events.

Warwick Valley Central School District

The Following information was gathered from a phone interview conducted on February 2, 2006 with Richard Daubert, Director of Facilities for the Warwick Valley Central School District.

Warwick Valley High School/Middle School

Mr. Daubert confirmed the outdoor recreational resources observed through a visual inventory of the school district's facility. He also confirmed that the high school does have an indoor pool facility. He noted that the schedule for use of the pool is maintained by the school district and the pool facility is always booked. The School does maintain open swim hours for Town residents, however he did note that the facility has not been able to meet all requests by community organizations to use the facility because the use schedule has been booked solid.

The outdoor recreational fields include:

- An Outdoor Track Facility
- Multiuse Fields
- Tennis Courts
- Soccer Fields
- Baseball & Softball Fields
- Football Fields

Mr. Daubert noted that these outdoor fields are used extensively by the school district and by community organizations. Again, Mr. Daubert stressed that, like the pool facility, the school district maintains the scheduling of these resources and the Town has no control over their use. Mr. Daubert noted, "As a result

of the extensive use of the fields it has been a battle to maintain the turf on the fields and painted field boundaries.” He felt that the Town must be experiencing similar problems maintaining their current facilities as a result of continual use.

Mr. Daubert noted that the school district gets first priority to schedule use of the fields and any open time slots after that is reserved for the community’s use through civic organizations such as the Warwick Little League and Babe Ruth Organizations. The district has done its best to accommodate these organizations however due to the Town’s continuing population growth, Mr. Daubert felt that the district cannot fully accommodate the expanding needs of these organizations to utilize more facilities and time. Organizations must complete the District’s facility use request form to request the use of school recreational resources.

Mr. Daubert spoke of a proposal by the Little League to work with the school district to expand recreational resources within the District. The proposal has not moved forward because those lands may be needed by the district to accommodate their future infrastructure growth needs as the student population continues to increase. These building infrastructure needs may be ten to fifteen years from now however with limited land resources to work with it is hard to expand upon the existing recreational resources possessed by the district without acquiring more land.

The Warwick Valley School District is a member of the New York State Public High School Athletic Association which is a non-profit organization that encourages sports enrollment and parent participation while providing equal sports opportunities for students. As a member of this organization, the district hosts many regional tournaments such as cross-country track events where school districts across New York State compete against each other.

Elementary Schools

The outside recreational resources identified during the visual inventory were confirmed for each of the following locations:

- Park Avenue Elementary School
- Kings Elementary School
- Sandfordville Elementary School
- Pine Island Elementary School

Mr. Daubert noted that the playgrounds are not available to residents for individual use. Community organizations may request use of the playground facilities after school hours are completed. Mr. Daubert

noted that the field facilities often accommodate community organizations and are difficult to maintain because of their excessive use by both the school district and community organizations.

Greenwood Lake Union Free School District

The Greenwood Lake Union Free School District serves grades K-8 within the Village of Greenwood Lake, Town of Warwick, and a small portion of the Town of Tuxedo. Mr. Steven Lucash, Superintendent of Building and Grounds is responsible for the availability of recreational resources to students.

Mr. Lucash was interviewed on February 2, 2006 and verified the outdoor recreational resources observed through a visual inspection of both the Elementary and Middle Schools. Mr. Lucash indicated that land constraints prevented the district from having much opportunity to expand existing outdoor resources. He noted that the district had recently undergone physical improvements to accommodate a growing student body.

Greenwood Lake Middle School & Elementary School

The playground facilities at both locations are limited to use by the student body only. Greenwood Lake Middle School does allow use of the outdoor basketball courts by the public when school is not in session. The outdoor field facilities can be reserved through the school district for use by community organizations provided they obtain proper insurance.

Most civic organizations use the facilities available through the Tuxedo Union Free School District or Warwick Valley School District which have high school level athletics and fields to accommodate adult and varsity recreational activities. The outdoor fields are available for use by community organizations. The Greenwood Lake Soccer Club uses the middle school soccer facilities and gymnasium on regular basis. Field scheduling is done by the school district and Mr. Lucash works closely with the organization to accommodate their needs as best as possible.