# NORTH BOONE ATHLETICS DEPARTMENT

#### 2019 Sports Sex Equity Survey Results

#### **LIKES**

- Fun and enjoyment
- Coaches
- Hanging out with peers

#### **DISLIKES**

- Uniforms
- Facilities (outdoors)
- Transportation
- Coaches
- Work/Home Conflicts
- Some activities are viewed more important than others

Looking ahead, we believe we can grow participation and become more competitive with all of our programs.

It will take time, consistency and success to create a positive culture for a program.

#### Vision of all our athletic teams

- To offer a program that will bring pride and tradition to our school, our community, and our participants.
  - To Keep student athlete enjoyment the major focus in all athletic activities.
- To provide coaches who have a sincere interest in the total development of our student athletes, both academically and athletically.
  - To teach our student athletes the opportunities that exist in both winning and losing. To teach them how to handle the successes and disappointments that they will experience in life situations.
  - To offer every program quality facilities and equipment that are player and fan friendly.
- Ultimately, we envision extracurricular programs that all of the players, students, parents, coaches, administrators, and community members can be proud of.

# Vision for Programs Over the next 3 years

- Attract and retain quality coaches
- More participation in the current sports
  - Improve facilities and equipment



### CHALLENGES BOYS & GIRLS SOCCER PROGRAMS FACE:

#### Conference team opponents are made up of "club" soccer players.

- NBHS lacks "club" soccer players, as there is not a travel program in the immediate community
- Conference is strong in all sports, but with most teams consisting of "club" players, it makes it difficult to compete.

#### Competition for playing time is non-existent

- All the kids know they are going to see significant minutes, therefore are not committed to practice. Why spend 2 or more hours a night practicing when you know you are going to play whether you practice or not.
- Kids are leaving for other sports such as cross-country, football or track, in order to stay active due to said lack of commitment.

## CHALLENGES BOYS & GIRLS SOCCER PROGRAMS FACE:

#### Jobs/Child Care

 Kids are either working a part-time job or are caring for younger siblings and unable to commit.

#### Summer Camp

Location/Transportation

#### Spring Weather Not Much Fun To Play In

#### Facilities

 Students don't want to play on current facilities. They travel throughout the conference and see updated fields and are embarrassed to play on their home field.

#### **SOLUTIONS TO INCREASE PARTICIPATION:**

- Reach out to North Boone Youth Sports and see if they would be interested in forming a youth soccer program. Waiting until high school or even middle school to start playing a sport may be too late for kids to become passionate for the sport.
- Work with the middle school program to keep the interest.
- PE teachers talk with students who may not be involved in a spring (girls)/fall (boys) sport and see if they would be interested.
- Current participants to reach out to peers who may be interested.
- Facilities improvement

After meeting with potential players, we believe we will have enough players to field a girls team this spring and boys team next fall.

Our enrollment has gone down 60 students in two years, which negatively affected both programs.