

PROVIDENCE **BASEBALL**

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In the fall of 1991, Providence Christian Academy opened its doors to provide Christ-centered education as an extension of the Christian home. The small school was nestled on just a few acres in Lilburn, Georgia in a converted strip mall, with no athletic facilities, forcing the teams to practice at local churches and recreational parks in the area. Over the years construction was completed on two gyms, a baseball field, and a soccer field to provide facilities for the students and athletes for many of the teams. The school has also just dedicated and opened the Lussi Complex, providing additional facilities for football, tennis, soccer, track and fastpitch softball.

Since the baseball field was completed in the spring of 2000, the team has had the main goal of **BEING DIFFERENT** than every other team our opponents will face. We want to play hard and clean, with great effort and success, winning with class and handling defeat with grace. In the process of achieving this goal, we have also seen great success on the field, with 3 region championships, 11 consecutive playoff births, a Final Four appearance in 2008, a State Finals appearance in 2011, and a State Championship in 2012. Thirty-six of the schools thirty-nine players that have gone on to play baseball in college have done so during this time, and two of our Providence graduates have been drafted by MLB.

Providence has likely been the best-kept secret in Gwinnett County for over 25 years, but we do not want to remain a secret any longer. We want to share our values and successes with as many families as possible and believe that continuing to improve our baseball facilities will enable us to do just that. The addition of lighting and field turf will enable us to host playoff and tournament games, more teams wearing the STORM name and allow the school to open its campus to host other programs that might be in need of playing space as well. This increase in participation also warrants an upgrade to our seating area for visiting fans and to the batting cages to better serve the teams that are playing at the complex. The addition of a field house will also serve to allow the home teams to have a place to prepare to play, locker rooms for teams and umpires, and a press box for team personnel, media, and scouts.

Please consider joining us as we seek to make a positive impact through baseball on as many families as possible. Monetary gifts and in-kind donations are both welcome. Thank you for being willing to be a part of Providence Christian Academy as we seek to enhance our school, the community of Lilburn, Gwinnett county, and the great state of Georgia.