

## Athletic Liaison Report 3/14/24

**I had the pleasure of attending the boys basketball banquet this past Monday. I want to thank the basketball boosters for the invitation. Those in attendance were: Junior High Varsity/Jr. Varsity teams, JV, and Varsity. One thing is for certain is that the basketball program at Pequea Valley is headed in the right direction. Each coach spoke about their teams, and awarded players for their performances. Thank you again, for the invitation and I look forward to seeing the teams play next year.**

**HS Girls Basketball:** The girls' team won their first district game vs Upper Dauphin. They lost to Columbia in the district semifinals and York Catholic in the district consolation game. The loss to York Catholic dictated their path for state playoffs and sent them out west towards Johnstown. The girls traveled to Forest Hills High School last Friday in the first round of state playoffs; unfortunately, they lost this game which ended their season. The girls finished with a 20-2 regular season record, followed by a 1-4 playoff record that includes leagues, districts, and state playoff games.

**Softball:** The softball team started their season on March 4th. They have 15 girls participating in the team this year. Due to the numbers, softball plans to have only one varsity team. The girls had their first scrimmage at Newport High School this past Tuesday and are excited to start the season. They will have their second scrimmage today at home against Halifax. The team lost some strong contributing seniors last year, making them a younger team this year.

**Baseball:** Baseball also started on March 4th. There are a total of 20 players participating this year, which allowed us to have a JV and Varsity team this year for the first time in multiple seasons. Baseball will have its first scrimmage today at home against Conestoga Christian. Baseball's first regular season game is Monday at Antietam. Baseball made the district playoffs last year and hopes to do it again this season.

**Boys' Tennis:** Boys' tennis has been practicing for the past two weeks. They plan to travel to Penn Manor for their first regular season match. The boys have 10 players on the team this year, an improvement from last year's 7. This year, Lela Fredricks (high school guidance counselor) will be the boys' head coach, assisted by long-time PV coach Eric Burns. The boys' team should be very competitive in the regular season, with hopes of making a long playoff run.