

Athletic Fields Project



West York Area School District
Every Student Every Day

Project Goals - Athletics

1. Safety

- a. Lights, Parking, Fencing

2. Stadium Accessibility & Improved Spectator Experience

- a. Parking, Seating, Restrooms, Concessions

3. Parking/Traffic Flow Improvements

- a. Adding 167 Parking Spaces
- b. Alleviating congestion at Middle School and Trimmer

4. Improved Student-Athlete Experience

- a. Ability to play at the stadium
- b. Practice on turf
- c. Scheduling flexibility
- d. Hosting events

5. Field Utilization

- a. Athletic practices, games, physical education use, community use
- b. Give our grass fields a rest

Current Issues/Limitations

Overuse of Grass Fields

- Overuse of the fields for practices and games are damaging current fields
- Need to restrict and limit teams and groups from using certain fields

Insufficient Lighting

- Safety
- Inability to extend JV games for Field Hockey, Lacrosse & Soccer
- Restricts practices and games to daylight hours

Minimal Parking, ADA Parking & Traffic Flow

- Limited parking at current Soccer and Lacrosse game field
- Insufficient parking when hosting multiple events at the same time



Current Issues/Limitations

Limited Scheduling Flexibility

- Need to reschedule events due to fields not being playable after rain
- Need to reschedule events due to official shortages

Inability to Host Postseason Play & Events

- PIAA District III requires turf fields to host certain postseason contests
 - Field Hockey - all postseason games must be played on turf
 - Football - must have an alternate turf field location as a backup in case of rain
 - Lacrosse - must have an alternate turf field location as a backup in case of rain
 - recommended turf
 - Soccer - must have turf after second round of Districts

Recently our Gymnasium has been used to host the YAIAA Volleyball & Basketball Tournament and have received positive feedback in hosting those events.

MS Field Hockey &
Softball Practice

Field Hockey & Softball
Practice/Game

Soccer Practice & MS
Game

Current Field Layout

Football & T&F
Practice

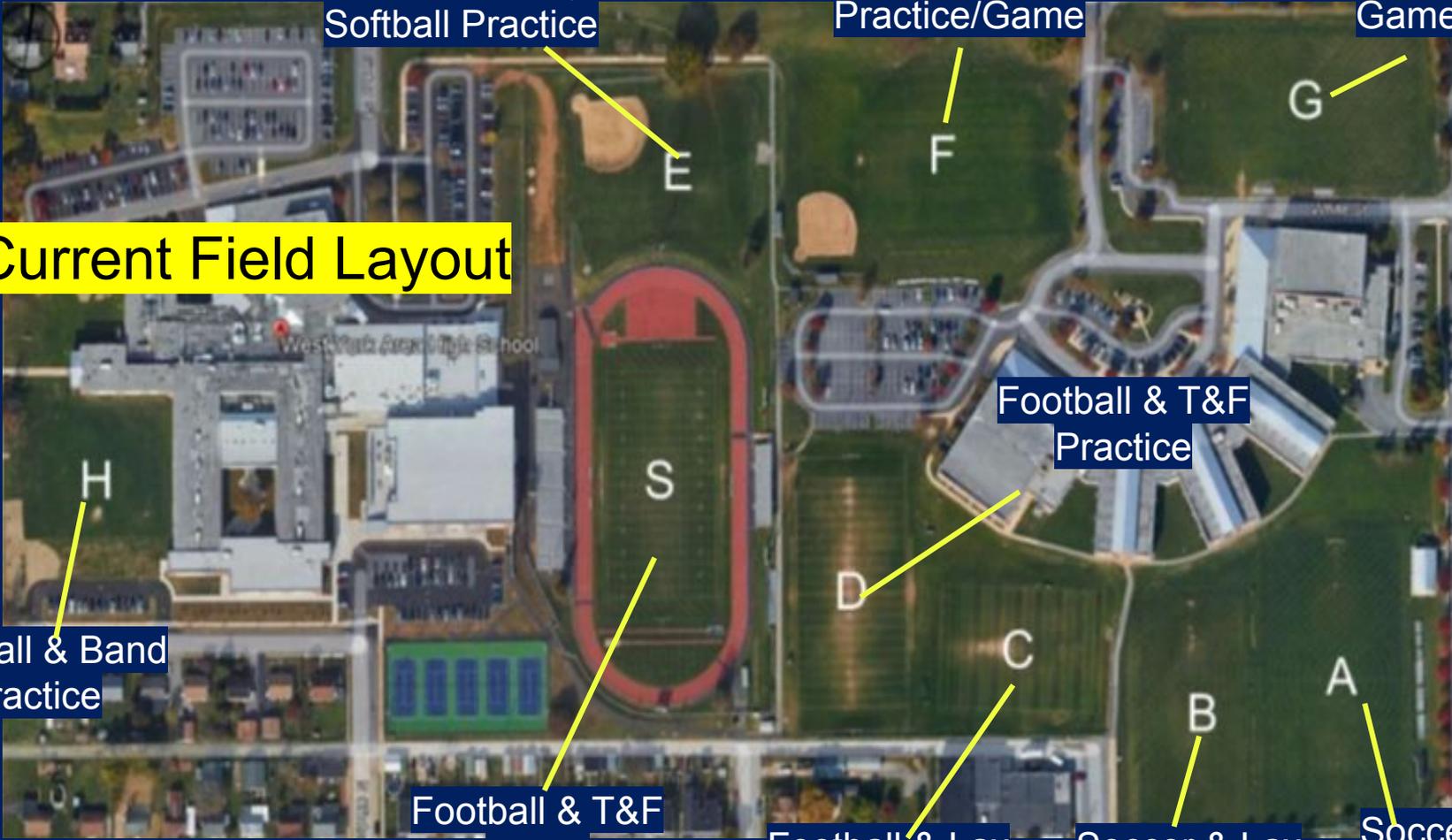
Football & Band
Practice

Football & T&F
Game

Football & Lax
Practice

Soccer & Lax
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Soccer & Lax
Game



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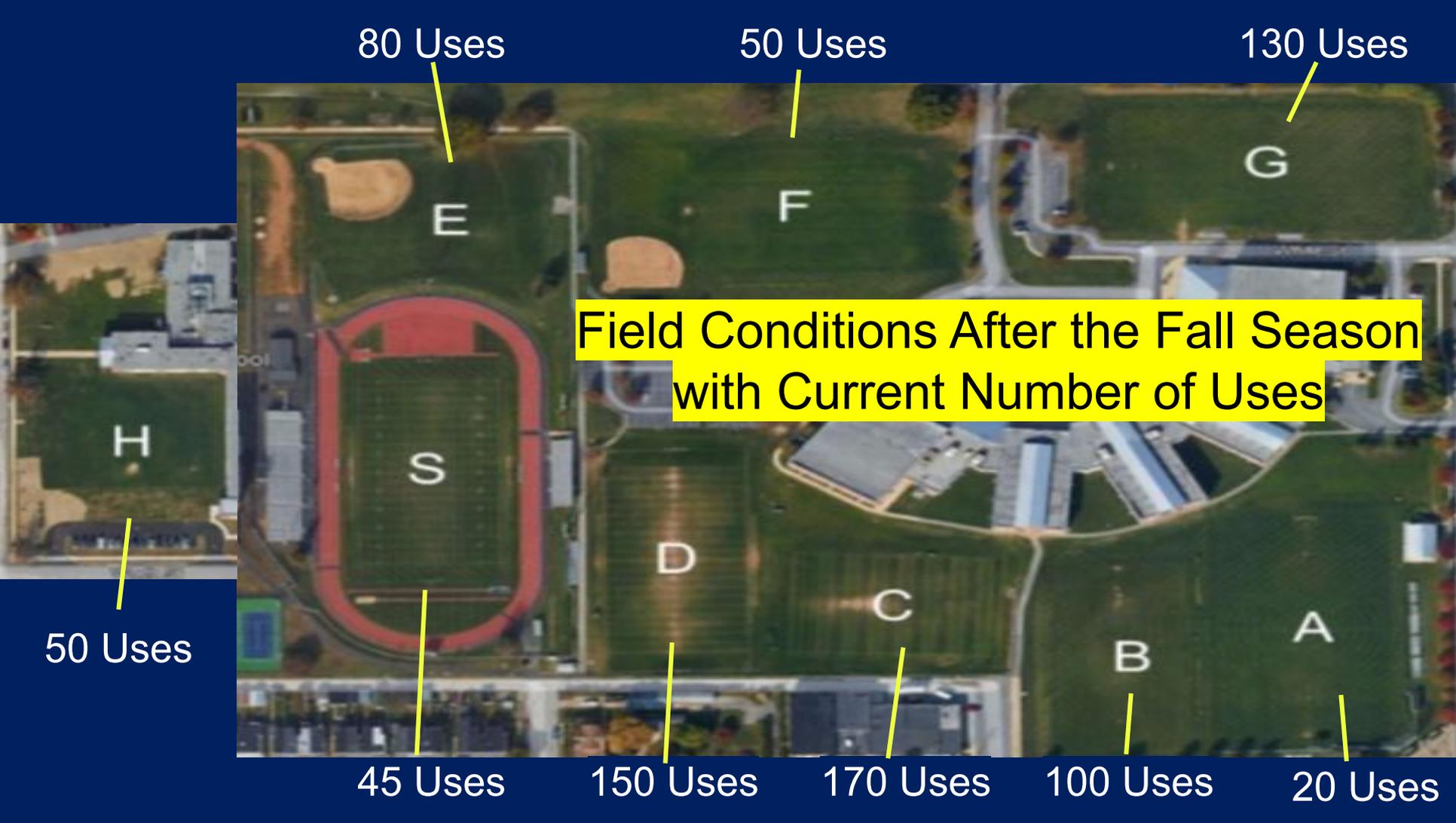
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Soccer Field Usage

Current Usage

	<u>Field A</u>	<u>Field G</u>
Boys Practices		60 Uses 120 Hours
Boys Games	10 Uses 40 Hours	
Girls Practices	<u>Field A</u>	<u>Field B</u>
		60 Uses 120 Hours
Girls Games	10 Uses 40 Hours	





HS FH, Soccer & Lax
Practice & Game

MS Soccer
Practice



Mini Stadium

Projected Field Layout

Stadium

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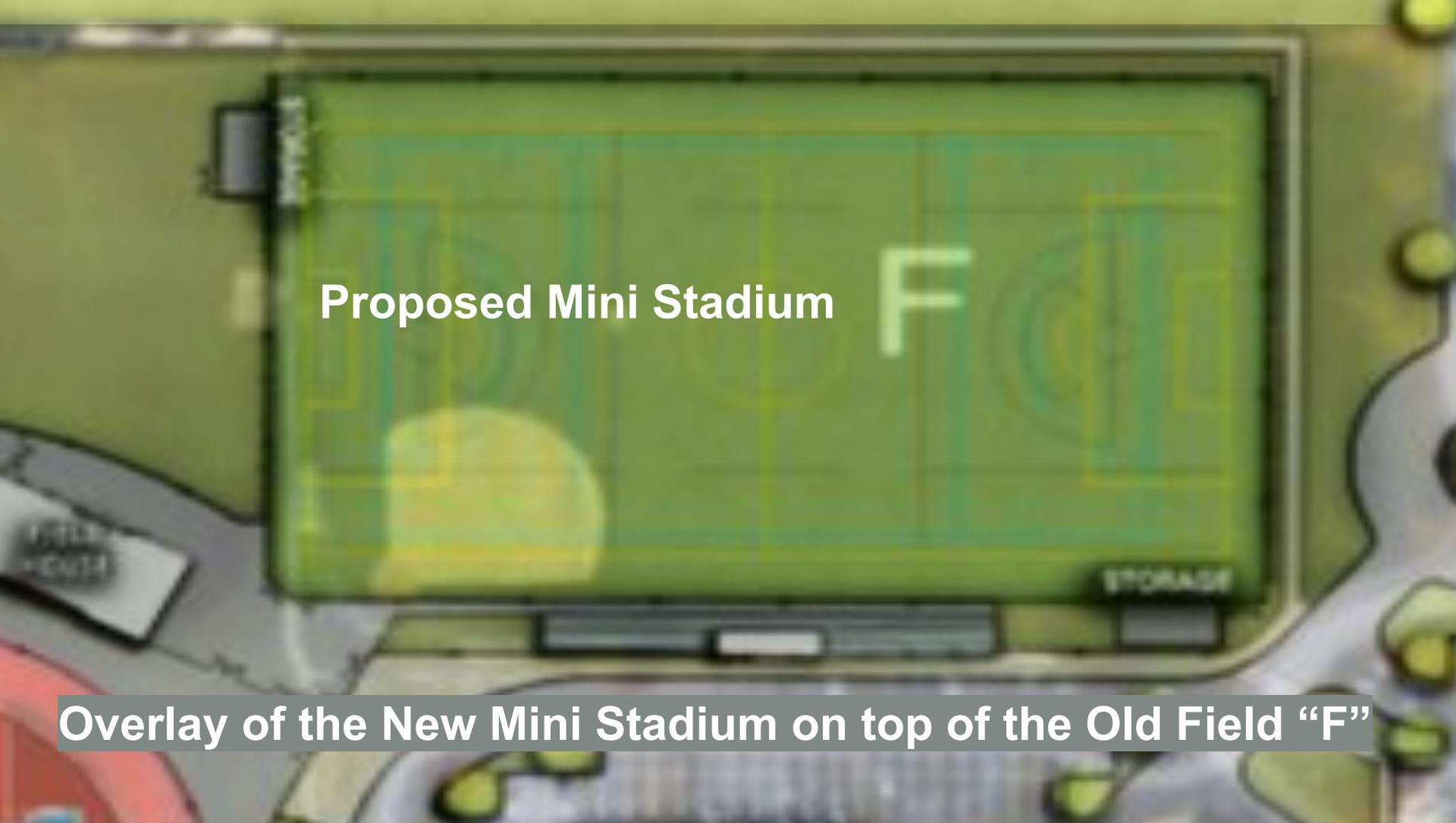
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Football &
T&F Game

Football &
T&F Practice

MS Soccer &
FH Practice

MS Soccer &
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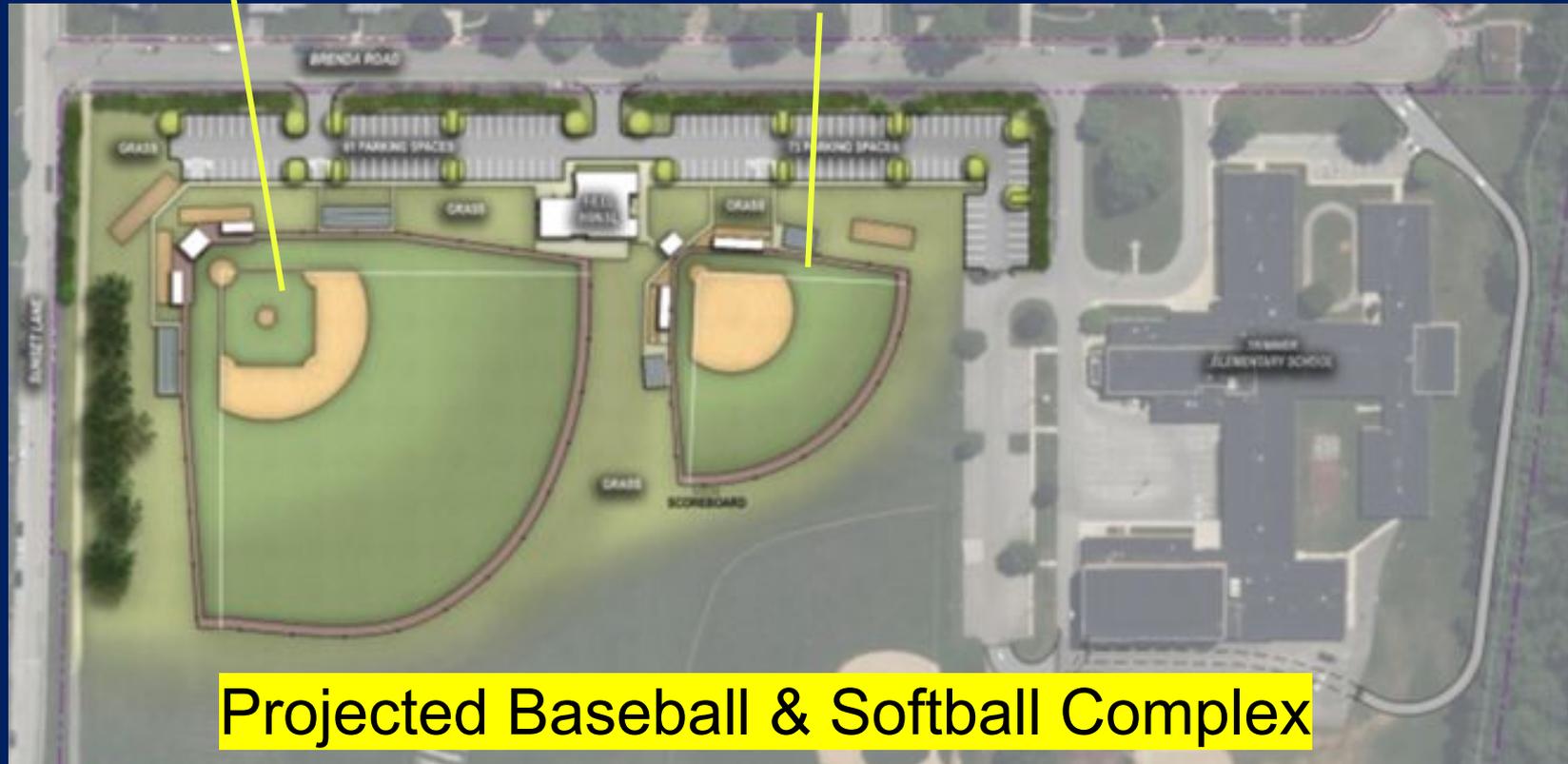
A site plan diagram showing a rectangular area labeled 'Proposed Mini Stadium' overlaid on a larger rectangular area labeled 'F'. The 'F' area contains a circular field with a yellow semi-circle on the left side. The stadium area is outlined in black and contains a grid pattern. To the left of the stadium is a grey rectangular area labeled 'FIELD HOUSE'. To the right of the stadium is a grey rectangular area labeled 'STORAGE'. The entire site is surrounded by a grey road network and green landscaping. The text 'Proposed Mini Stadium' is centered in white on a semi-transparent black background.

Proposed Mini Stadium

Overlay of the New Mini Stadium on top of the Old Field "F"

Baseball Field

Softball Field

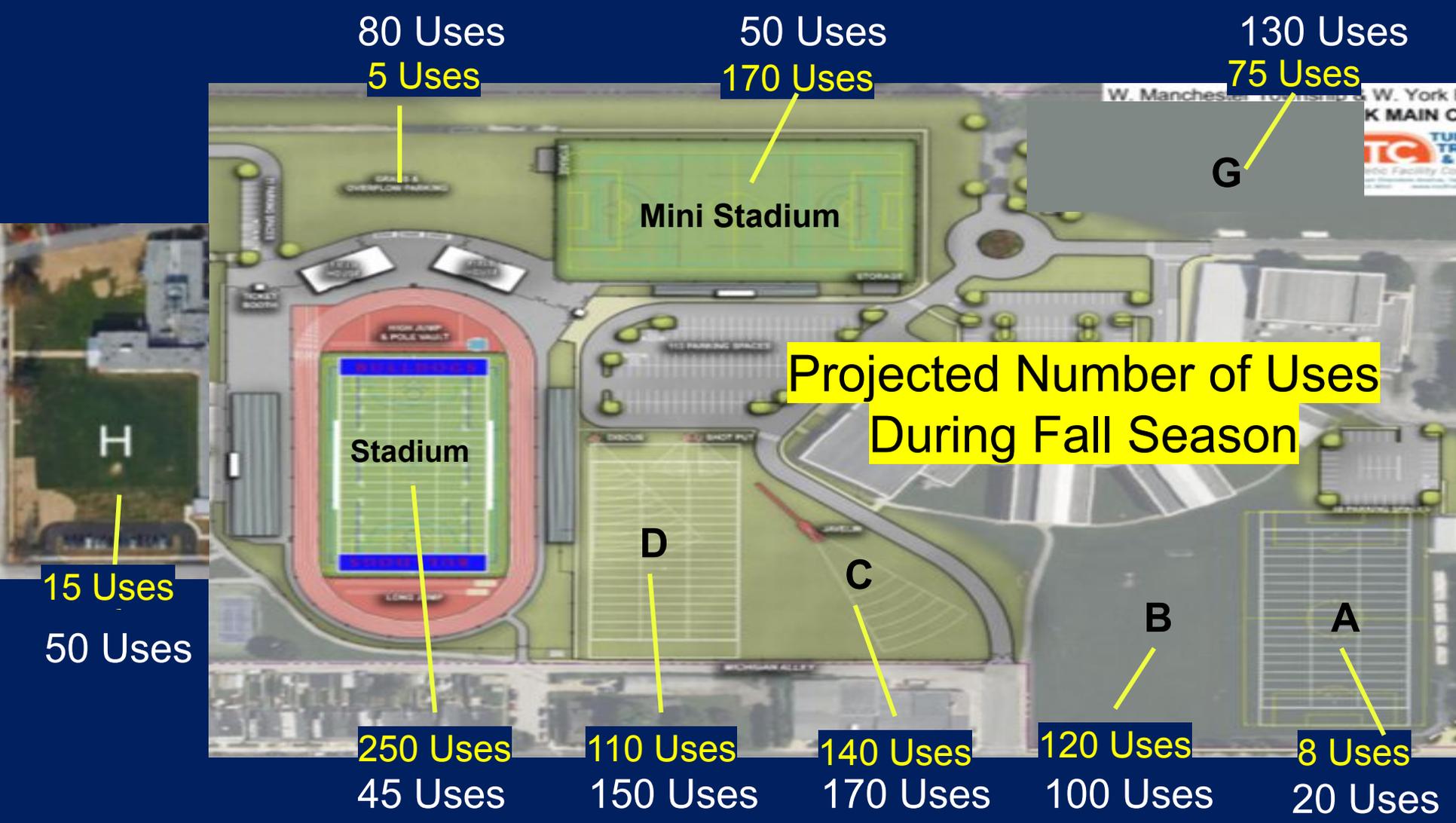


High School Soccer Field Usage



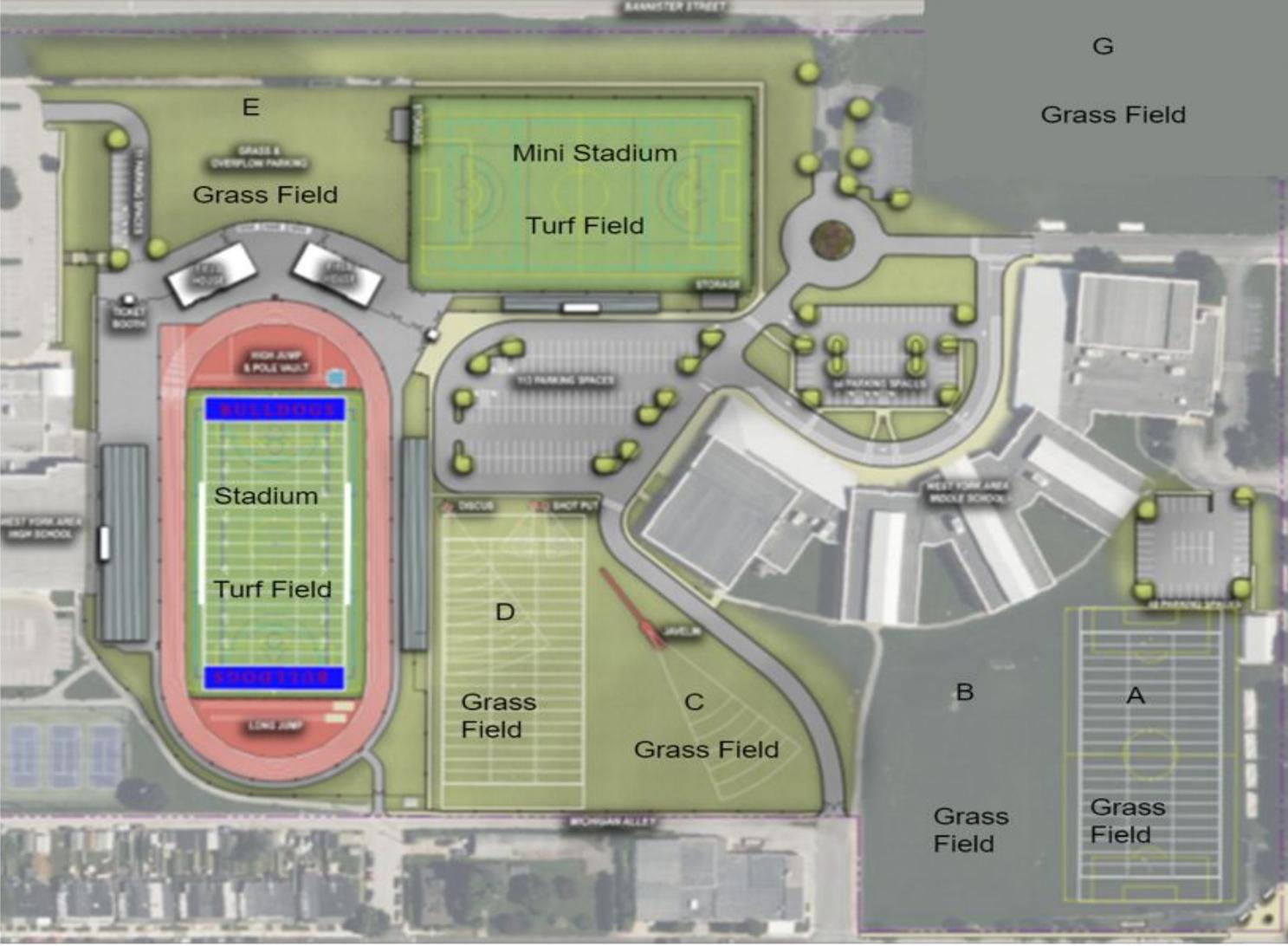
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	<u>Stadium</u>	<u>Mini Stadium</u>
Boys Practices	20 Uses 40 Hours	40 Uses 80 Hours
Boys Games	5 Uses 20 Hours	5 Uses 20 Hours
Girls Practices	20 Uses 40 Hours	40 Uses 80 Hours
Girls Games	5 Uses 20 Hours	5 Uses 20 Hours



Full Year Field Usage Difference

	Current Uses - Hours		Projected Uses - Hours		Difference Uses - Hours	
Field A - Grass	40	160	24	96	-16	-64
Field B - Grass	200	350	200	370	Even	+20
Field C - Grass	270	630	180	350	-90	-280
Field D - Grass	260	640	215	560	-45	-80
Field E - Grass	250	500				
Field F - Grass	120	340				
Mini Stadium - Turf			310	770	+190	+430
Field G - Grass	300	500	190	230	-110	-270
Field H - Grass	150	380	75	150	-75	-230
Stadium - Grass	60	150				
Stadium - Turf			300	800	+240	+650



Stadium

3:00-4:30 – Varsity Football Practice

4:30-7:30 – Freshman Football Game

Multi-Purpose

3:00-4:00 – Open

4:00-8:00 – Girls Soccer Game

Field A – Game Field Only

Field B

3:00-5:00 – JH Field Hockey Practice

5:30-8:30 – WYBC Football

Field C/D

3:00-5:30 – JH & Varsity Football Practice

5:30-8:30 – WYBC Football

Field E – Open

Field G – Open

Other Home Events

4:00-6:00 – Girls Tennis

6:00-8:30 – Girls Volleyball

Away Events

Varsity Field Hockey

Boys Soccer

Golf – Off Campus

Cross Country – Off Campus

How Did We Get Here?

In Early 2017 the Board determined that the athletic fields and stadium are in need of significant improvements with regard to safety, accessibility, and usage conditions.

After realizing what additional steps and upgrades would need to also be addressed, the board decided to put the project on hold.

Stadium Accessibility

- Requires re-leveling of home side bleacher area
 - Will require digging up of track area
 - Will require fixing of track/new track
 - Will require additional bathrooms to be installed
 - New field houses for concessions, bathrooms and storage
 - Relocation of field houses
- Additional Accessible Parking
 - New accessible entrance locations on both the home and away sides
 - Will cut into the current location of the softball field and concession/storage area
 - Softball Field needs to be relocated



Continuing the Domino Effect

Softball Relocation

- Allows for more optimal use of the grass area - Field “F”
 - Multipurpose Turf Field Mini Stadium
- Other locations on campus not ideal due to parking limitations and field space/usage
- Move to Trimmer
 - Baseball/Softball Complex
 - Both Baseball and Softball will have the exact same facilities
 - Maintenance/Storage, Concessions, Dugouts, Bullpens, Batting Cages, Team Rooms, Pressbox, Spectator Seating, Restrooms
 - Additional parking spaces and lot improvements
 - Connection of parking lot to Trimmer Elementary parking lot

Thoughts from our Students

“Turf fields don’t get muddy and we won’t have to reschedule games.”

“Turf fields would allow more access for teams to practice.”

“We could have our senior nights under the lights.”

“I always wanted to be able to play at the stadium”

“Our grass fields have holes and are not flat.”

“Turf fields are more durable than our grass fields.”

“Turf fields will give us a better opportunity to compete with other schools.”

“It would be amazing because we would practice on turf.”