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Cathedral High School expands with purchase of Little League headquarters

School's baseball program will begin play in the new facility during the 2017 season

INDIANAPOLIS—February 15, 2017—Robert Bridges, president of Cathedral High School, announces that thanks to a generous donation from Dan '70 and Betsy Brunette, the school has acquired the former Little League headquarters at 42nd and Mitthoeffer Road. "Part of our newly introduced Strategic Plan includes consolidating locations for Cathedral athletics and having these great athletic facilities so close to our main campus is a major first step in that effort," Bridges says. The complex will be named Brunette Park.

The 35-acre facility located approximately 6 miles from campus has baseball and softball diamonds as well as offices, parking, an indoor community center, a covered pavilion, stands and an ESPN grade press box. The new site will roughly double Cathedral's footprint. The 40-acre main campus at 56th and Emerson encompasses three academic buildings including Kelly Hall, Cunningham Fine Arts Center, and Loretto Hall plus the Shiel Student Life Center and the Welch Activity Center. There is a football practice field, newly renovated tennis courts, and facilities for softball and lacrosse, but the school did not previously have onsite baseball facilities.

Cathedral baseball had, until recently, been using Hair Field in the City of Lawrence for varsity baseball.

"We are thrilled to be able to provide this opportunity for our student-athletes," says Cathedral Athletic Director Doug Seagrave. "The baseball program has been a championship program and has seen several players make a career in the Major Leagues as well as numerous players currently in the collegiate level. But with more than 82 percent of our students participating in an IHSAA or club sport, the new facilities benefit the entire student body."

The facility was formerly the Central Region headquarters for the Williamsport, PA-based Little League, which oversees more than 2.5 million baseball and softball players each year in the United States. Little League International is currently looking for other facilities.

About Cathedral High School

Cathedral is a private, independent, Catholic, college-preparatory school serving students in grades 9 to 12. Cathedral is the only Indiana high school, public or private, to be named a 2016 Blue Ribbon School for academic excellence. This is the third time the school has been so honored; no other high school has received Blue Ribbon distinction more times.

Cathedral was founded in 1918 by the Brothers of Holy Cross and for 98 years has been transforming a diverse group of young men and women to have the competence to see and the courage to act. For more information, visit gocathedral.com.

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