

MARQUETTE BASEBALL MISSION STATEMENT

A CULTURE OF RELATIONSHIPS & CHAMPIONSHIPS...

What is the plan? To create a meaningful and memorable experience by their senior year so that when they graduate they are prepared to have success beyond baseball. It's about habits and a compound effect of constant improvements, no matter how small. We will set, define, and maintain a culture that breeds a higher standard on a daily basis. (The key is having self-motivated players and a capable coaching staff WANTING to live up to those standards. This culture will precede results.

There will be a daily focus on creating a strong sense of mission and purpose. There will be a premium placed on building relationships and players feeling respected by each other. There will be frequent candid feedback and holding others accountable. Players need to know what to do and why we do it. Team members will need to take pride in being a part of something much bigger than themselves. This culture will emphasize teamwork where the star of the team will be the team. A team requires each player embracing their role and feeling appreciated.

The head coach's role is to provide a vision, be a source of clarity and certainty. The coach must listen, care, and hold players accountable in order to create a culture that develops trusting relationships and produces great results by focusing on the process.

THE CORNERSTONES:

1. Emphasize teamwork
 - ❖ Less selfishness, more self-discipline.
2. Emphasize & develop leadership skills (leadership=citizenship)
 - ❖ Leadership is ultimately about creating a way for people to contribute to making something extraordinary happen.
 - ❖ Players will have a say in how things are done and will create a vision for the season. They will also determine the team's values and set standards to be measured by each day.
 - ❖ Each player will have some type of leadership role.
3. Demand competitiveness & put players in challenging situations
 - ❖ Competing is to strive against another to attain an advantage or a victory; it is a crucial life skill which can be used as a powerful weapon.
4. Focus on each player as a person, student, and athlete
 - ❖ The program takes into consideration that your son might be a husband and father someday!
 - ❖ Every time your son talks, writes, calculates, or reads aloud, those around him will know if he has been educated.
5. Develop baseball skills
 - ❖ Marquette baseball has a plan for everything. Your son will be given clear & specific instruction to execute an effective approach to pitching, defense, hitting (scoring philosophy), and base running.