



## *Mahone Softball 2017*

Dear Parents and Students:

I want to thank you for your interest in Mahone softball for the 2017 season. My name is Coach Matt Bradley and I am entering my tenth year as the head softball coach at Mahone Middle School and thirteenth season overall. I am also the head softball coach at Indian Trail High School. Tricia Koessl, our fourth-year JV coach, will assist me. Coach Koessl also serves as an assistant at Indian Trail. I am extremely excited about this year's upcoming season.

Our fastpitch softball teams have had a great deal of success the last several years including a 2015 city championship. We expect to be highly competitive again this year at both levels. Our program has consistently produced varsity players at the high school level including several all-conference players as well as three all-state players. Many of our alumni have gone on to play collegiate softball and some at the Division I level.

We also have expectations for the girls in the classroom and in the school community. We expect the girls to achieve their very best in the classroom and be helpful to their teachers, peers, and school community. We have had several girls win the prestigious AAA award at Mahone for outstanding art, academics, and athletics.

Playing for Mahone Softball is a commitment that girls have taken very seriously throughout its history. The season runs from the first week of school through mid-October. They are expected to be at all practices and games (barring excused absences) Monday through Friday. Games are on Tuesdays and Thursdays. There will not be any weekend practices but there are two important tournaments on two different Saturdays for the varsity and one Saturday tournament for the JV. The girls understand that it is a commitment to play and absences hurt the team.

If you believe you can make the commitment and wish to try-out this year and be part of the excitement please come to our parent meeting on Wednesday, July 26<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm. We will need to have all paper work in to the main office and Ali Tenuta by August 25<sup>th</sup>. Try-outs will be Wednesday August 30<sup>th</sup> through Friday September 1<sup>st</sup> from 5-7 pm. Please meet on the bleachers by the varsity diamond.

Thanks again for your interest. If you have any further questions please call or email me.

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