



# Martha's Vineyard Commission

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Richie Smith  
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Dear Richie,

Thanks again for your participation in the MVC staff-applicant meetings this spring, and for providing the information we requested in a timely manner.

One issue I would like to highlight regards field usage. The high school has stated that its proposal is based only on high school use, along with youth sports and summer camps. Based on latest tables provided to the MVC, it would be possible to implement Phase 1 and not exceed 585 hours of annual use per field. The Athletic Field Master Plan sets an upper limit of 680 hours of annual use for any given grass field at the high school, so it appears the use of natural turf fields might be an alternative.

The question of annual usage is a central part of this proposal and will likely come up again during the public hearing and MVC review.

If you would like to discuss this issue further, please contact us.

Sincerely,

Adam Turner  
Executive Director