

### **Justification – Item 1: Grounds' Maintenance**

During the 07/08 budget discussions the Board of School Directors recognized the public expectation that the appearance and condition of the school grounds and athletic fields be maintained at a higher level. To this end the BOD placed \$56,000.00 in a contingency fund with the intent of hiring two additional grounds keeping positions to meet this expectation.

The make up of the current Grounds Department includes: one Working Foreman, one Heavy Equipment Operator, and two Grade 3 Groundskeepers. The restructuring of this department would add an Assistant Grounds Foreman.

The following is a roster of buildings and athletic fields maintained by the Warren County School District:

**Preparation of fields to include: mowing, tilling, dragging, line layout, goal setup, set up of practice and protective netting:**

#### **YHS**

1 football field  
1 practice football field  
1 Baseball – Davis Street  
1 Softball field  
1 Track

1 Practice soccer field  
2 Baseball fields - Werner Park  
2 Softball fields  
1 Track

#### **SAMHS**

1 Softball field  
1 Football field  
1 practice football field

#### **WAHS**

Cross Country Course (Hatch Run)  
2 Soccer fields (Practice WSH)  
1 Football field (Practice WCCC)  
2 Baseball field – Betts Park  
2 Softball fields – Betts Park  
Field events at Memorial Field for track

#### **EMHS**

Cross Country Course  
1 Football field  
2 Practice football fields  
1 Soccer field

#### **BWMS**

1 Track  
1 Football field

**In addition the following facilities must be mowed and trimmed (excess of 40 acres including fields):**

1. WAHS  
2. WCCC  
3. WAEC (school and soccer field)  
4. Jefferson Elementary  
5. Home Street

6. BWMS  
7. Pleasant Township  
8. Russell Elementary  
9. EMHS  
10. Sugar Grove Elementary

11. YEMS (School and Division Street  
field)  
12. YHS  
13. AVE

14. SSEL  
15. SAMHS  
16. Sheffield Elementary