



Junior Dave Volz tries to swat the basketball away from friend Rob Taylor, who drives to the basket with total force!

Darryl Christy, Sean Mandell, and Craig Gerson, who are all members of the band intramural team, anxiously walk to their game.



## A Fun Way to Compete

### Intramural Sports

Again, the intramural program at Sycamore was as strong as ever, as compared to its success in past years. The four sports (volleyball, basketball, water polo, and softball) drew large numbers of students wanting to participate and involved many different kinds of participants, from athletes to those that were merely interested in playing pick-up games with friends.

Adam Kurtz, who played volleyball, explained, "A whole bunch of guys would get together and decide to play. It was a lot of fun to play volleyball, but not in a totally serious manner or in an atmosphere of a gym class."

Regarding the softball program, Dan DeMania said, "A lot of people from the band put together a team. We played really well and even made it to the finals of the tournament! I liked being involved in the

program because I was playing with my friends - we shared two common interests - both softball and band!"

As director and guidance counselor Bob Mierenfeld stated, the purpose of the intramural program is to give students who are not involved in the school's athletic teams the opportunity to play sports in a fun-filled but competitive atmosphere. Students from both genders, many social groups, and of many interests became involved with the program and enjoyed the many benefits they were offered.

"I loved playing intramural softball because it not only gave me a chance to be outside in the gorgeous spring weather with my friends, but it kept me active (sports-wise) and left me with something fun and athletic to do after the school day was through!" Jeff Agricola added.

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