Riverview School District



Mr. Mario Rometo Athletic Director

PRESS RELEASE:

On July 25, the Riverview School District accepted and approved the retirement of long time baseball coach, Rich Griser. Griser's coaching career began 39 years ago in Maryland before eventually landing at Riverview. He has amassed nearly 200 wins throughout his time as a head coach. One of the things that he is most proud of is his commitment and dedication to his work. He modeled that commitment to his players with consistency, even as he weathered storms with his health.

Coach Griser has been a fixture on the diamond at Riverside Park for the last 16 years, compiling an impressive record. His teams achieved 4 section titles, 3 WPIAL semi-finals appearances, 2 state playoff appearances, and a WPIAL runner up. He also guided the 2004 team to an undefeated section record. Some of Coach Griser's proudest moments came when three of his players were drafted by the Major Leagues.

Coach Griser will continue to work as a scout for MLB's Tampa Bay Rays and plans to also volunteer coach for the Raiders next season. He would like to thank all of the administrators, teachers, custodial staff members, nurses, trainers, secretaries, park crew members, athletic directors, and of course, players, that he has had the pleasure of working with over his sixteen years at Riverview.

The Riverview School District would like to thank Coach Griser for all of the time and hard work he has put in to help develop our baseball program into one of the top programs in the WPIAL, as well as being a positive role model and mentor to our student athletes. Congratulations and "Thank you, Coach Griser"!