

Leadership is getting someone to do what they don't want to do, to achieve what they want to achieve.

- Tom Landry

Every year when a coach sets their roster one of the first questions they usually ask themselves is "who are my leaders?" A coach knows that one of the most important keys to a successful team is great leadership. Great leaders control the lockerroom and push their teammates to perform at their highest potential. Braintree High School Baseball has been blessed with quality captains and this year is nothing different as Brendan Danahy so far has filled the shoes of those before him and is much deserving of the December Athlete of the Month Award.

In his Junior Year at Braintree High, Brendan played his role. Third, shortstop, designated hitter, wherever he was needed. This year, through his hardwork and vocal leadership, Brendan was named one of the captains of this year's squad. So far Brendan has not disappointed in the off-season as he has done everything possible to prepare his team for what should be a very successful season. For the past few years Brendan has been very committed to his workouts in the offseason. Once soccer season was over, Brendan's presence at the BBC was daily. This year, he has recruited program players to also come and workout and has even created workouts for teammates. On top of organizing workouts, he as captain, has scheduled and organized practices for the program. Brendan has set up the practices to make sure all position players, pitchers, hitters get the most out of their workouts. It is a pleasure to see someone take the role they have been given so seriously.

Outside of working towards improving the Braintree Baseball Program and players, Brendan has been great with the young athletes at the BBC. Walking into the facility you are bound to see Brendan working with Little League athletes. As many of these players look up to these high school athletes, Brendan has acknowledged and accepted that role and daily portrays himself as an excellent role model. Instructors and parents learn a lot from watching Brendan work with these Little Leaguers.

Congratulations Brendan and good luck in the upcoming season, Braintree Baseball is blessed to have such a dedicated and passionate individual leading the team into battle this season.

Coach Joyce