



The new junior-senior high school will have a swimming pool almost identical to that in the present Birmingham high school. The main difference will be that the

new pool will have pull-out bleachers on both sides instead of permanent ones on only one side. The south wall of the new pool will have sliding glass doors.

Schools Offer Something For Everyone in Sports

Birmingham's athletic philosophy may differ from that of other school districts, but the varsity teams in various sports continue to win championships or come close and the intra-mural program is considered to be one of the finest in the state.

Birmingham athletic director Frank Whitney, who is in charge of the overall program in the district, said that any student who comes out for a team will remain on the team for the season.

"We do not believe a youngster should be cut from a squad," Whitney said.

"If HE OR she wants to play on a varsity team, we let them work out and issue them a uniform if at all possible.

"The swimming and basketball teams must be limited because of facilities, but the other teams car-

ry as many as possible," he said. The junior high schools in the city, Barnum and Derby, compete on an inter-school basis in the ninth grade to prepare the athletically inclined student for high school sports.

ELEMENTARY school physical education teachers instruct the youngsters in the fundamentals, the rules and conduct contests on an intra-mural basis.

For those who do not wish to participate in a competitive sport, gymnastics and playfield classes are held during the various seasons.

"The board of education believes that every student should have the opportunity to participate in athletics if he or she desires," Whitney said.

"We try to offer something for everyone."

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