Driving 5 hours to play a football game can be exhausting. But having to do so because neither team has a playable field due to heavy rain is especially frustrating. That happened to the Bronc Busters of Garden City Community College (GCCC), Garden City, KS for their season opener last year.

That's when Garden City made the decision to avoid future aggravation and decided to install GameDay Grass XP synthetic infill brand from GeneralSports in Memorial Stadium after season's end.

Memorial Stadium sees extremely heavy use. It is home to the GCCC team but also the site for all the practice and home games played by Garden City High and Junior High, plus Garden City's YMCA football program and each of the teams' marching bands. In addition, the high school will use the field for soccer next spring and the college will begin soccer practice and competition on it in 2005.

"With a multi-use field expected to get a lot of activity from the community, we really wanted to make sure we got a product that could stand up to the extreme conditions," said Bob Larson, GCCC's head football coach.