Press Release

Richland County Community Unit School District #1

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RICHLAND COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT TO HOLD OFFICIAL GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY FOR THE RICHLAND COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC FACILITY

The Richland County School District will hold an official groundbreaking ceremony for the construction of a new Richland County High School Athletic Facility on January 14th at 12:45 pm. The event will be held at Richland County High School on the Athletic Complex.

The Athletic Facility's estimated completion date is December 2026 with the football field, track, and bleachers estimated completion date of August 2026. GEO Surfaces led the design and development of the Athletic Facility and has been hired as construction manager for the project. In addition to new athletic fields, a new athletic building is being constructed as well. FGMArchitects have been hired to design the building, and Poettker Construction will be the general construction manager. The new facility will house several RCCU#1 athletic programs, concessions, and facility restrooms.

The Richland County School District serves approximately 2100 students in pre-K through Grade 12. The mission of the school district is to partner with families to create a safe and engaging learning environment that provides students with opportunities to prepare them for academic success, career readiness, life-long learning, citizenship, and global awareness.