

## NEWS

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## El Camino College to Celebrate Opening of New Athletic & Fitness Complex

El Camino College will celebrate the opening of the new Athletic & Fitness Complex (Phase 1) with a ribbon-cutting ceremony scheduled for 3:30 p.m. April 15 at the south end of the track field.

This \$3.02 million project is the first step in a complete remodel of the Athletic & Fitness Complex. This phase includes the construction of a field for athletic team practices, physical education classes, and venues for track and field events.

"The completion of this phase includes many significant upgrades to the college's instructional and fitness facilities," said El Camino College President Thomas Fallo.

Upgrades include venues for track and field events such as throwing areas for javelin, hammer, discus and shot put, as well as three sand volleyball courts. Approximately 33,000 square feet of drought tolerant Tifway II Bermuda grass was planted in the track and field areas. Reclaimed water is used for all natural turf and other landscape areas.

In addition, the athletic practice field is covered with artificial turf for durability and water conservation.

The Athletic & Fitness Complex and numerous other facilities improvements on campus were made possible with funds from the 2002 Measure E facilities bond.