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Omaha Central High School Arts and Library Addition Groundbreaking Ceremony

The Central High School Foundation (CHSF) is pleased to announce that it will hold a groundbreaking ceremony celebrating the start of the Arts and Library Addition at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, June 22, 2017, on the east porch of Omaha Central High School (CHS). The ceremony will feature welcoming remarks by Matt Aden, CHSF President, Mark Evans, OPS Superintendent, Dr. Edward Bennett, CHS Principal and Michele Roberts, CHSF Executive Director. Among the invited guests include elected officials, community leaders, CHS Alumni, and staff.

The addition will house a new digital library, a 300-seat black box theater, visual and performing arts, instrumental and vocal music and drama classes. The existing building space, where the arts and library are currently housed, will be freed up and repurposed to meet the needs of a variety of educational programs including Special Education and English Language Learners.

“It’s a tremendous thing for our school,” said Matthew Aden, president of the Central High School Foundation board of directors. “By creating this opportunity we are ensuring that Central doesn’t forget its past, continues to live successfully in its present, and is planning for its future.”

The Arts and Library Addition is set to finish by winter of 2018.

CHS, established in 1859, is the oldest, one of the largest, and one of the most diverse and competitive high schools in Omaha. Its mission is to continue a tradition of excellence emphasizing academic achievement, responsible global citizenship, pride in diversity, and enduring scholarship.

The Central High School Foundation was established in 1996 to provide support for present and future CHS students to ensure that the tradition of excellence continues. Contributions of time, energy, and resources are essential to preserve and enhance the timeless values of a Central High School education. The CHSF supports the school through a variety of activities including alumni relations, fundraising, grant writing, student scholarships, capital projects, as well as teacher and classroom grants.

Central High School Foundation Partners and Central High School Adopt-A-School Partners include Coca-Cola, DLR Group, First National Bank of Omaha, Midland University and Nebraska Methodist College - The Josie Harper Campus.

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