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Upland Unified Unveils New Multi-Sports Athletic Field, Empowering Student-Athletes to Shine

UPLAND – Upland High School concluded its spring sports season with the unveiling of a new, state-of-the-art multi-sports athletic complex, a transformative addition designed to elevate the school's athletic programs, support the performing arts, and foster greater school spirit and community pride.

The newly completed space features artificial turf baseball and football fields, a high-tech scoreboard and sound system, and lighted batting cages. It will directly serve student-athletes in baseball, golf, and flag football, while also supporting practices for other sports and accommodating color guard and percussion rehearsals. Physical education classes will also benefit from use of the modernized facilities.

"Having a new field on campus will bring even more excitement to sports across the District like flag football," Upland High sophomore Arianna Velazquez said. "It's something fresh and different that people haven't seen before."

After many great years of baseball games at Memorial Park, for the first time, the Upland High baseball team was able to host its final two home games of the season on a field they can now call their own.

"We wanted to create a space that would have a positive impact on school pride and really elevate our sports," Upland High principal Dr. Martin Gomez said. "Having an on-campus field will help increase student attendance at games, create a stronger sense of unity, and allow our student-athletes to thrive."

Designed with sustainability in mind, the complex incorporates near-zero water usage, requires no fertilizers, and includes features that absorb rainwater to reduce runoff. These features allow Upland Unified School District to continue its commitment to environmental responsibility while delivering cutting-edge facilities for students.

"The new multi-sports athletic field was made possible with the support of our community," Upland Unified Board President Wes Fifield said. "Thank you to San Bernardino County Supervisors Jesse Armendarez and Curt Hagman, Jeff and Vicki Mensen of Gregg Electric, and community member Ralph Cavallo for being powerful driving forces behind this great project."

Construction on the field began in August 2023 and was completed in time to give students a home field that reflects their pride and passion for sports and extracurricular opportunities.

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“This field is more than just a place to play, it represents what is possible when a community comes together to support its students,” Superintendent Dr. Lynn Carmen Day said. “Our students deserve to shine, and this new multi-sports athletic field gives them the platform to do just that.”

PHOTO CAPTIONS

UUSD_ATHLETICFIELD1: *Upland High School unveiled its new, state-of-the-art multi-sports athletic complex, designed to elevate the school’s athletic programs, support the performing arts, and foster greater school spirit and community pride.*

UUSD_ATHLETICFIELD2: *Upland High School’s newly-completed multi-sports athletic complex features artificial turf baseball and football fields, a high-tech scoreboard and sound system, and lighted batting cages.*

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