



# El Monte Union High School District

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### **El Monte High School Celebrates Renovations to Lion Stadium**

**EL MONTE** – The El Monte High School community came together on March 20 to celebrate the completion of renovations made to Lion Stadium, which features a new snack bar, restrooms and permanent bleachers to seat more than 2,000 spectators, with a ribbon-cutting ceremony.

“This will be the place where we host games, rallies, assemblies and graduations for many generations to come,” Principal Robin Torres said. “This would not have happened without a community that believes in our children and education. Thank you for giving El Monte High School students and families a place to call home.”

El Monte High broke ground on the bleacher renovation project in 2017. Lion Stadium was renovated to increase seating capacity for spectators to enjoy a broad range of sports, including football, soccer, and track and field, as well as commemorate other milestone events.

“I am excited to start my senior year being the first student to compete in this facility,” El Monte High varsity football player Abel Cueva said. “We will not disappoint our community or families. We will represent Lion Country with pride.”

The site features new fencing, landscaping, a gate entrance and ticket booth. Seating includes a home stand for 1,173 guests, a stand for 824 visitors and additional seating for up to 100 guests. The \$6.6 million project was funded by Measure D.

“This beautiful facility marks the beginning of a new era for El Monte High School,” Superintendent Dr. Edward Zuniga said. “Our Board of Trustees has made enhancing our classrooms and athletic facilities a priority, and I want to thank our community for voting yes on Measure D and supporting our efforts to ensure our students have high-quality environments in which to learn.”

#### **PHOTO CAPTIONS:**

**032519\_EMUHS\_EMHSSTADIUM1:** El Monte High School celebrated the complete renovations to Lion Stadium on March 20 with a ribbon-cutting ceremony. Pictured are El Monte Union Superintendent Dr.

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Edward Zuniga, Board of Trustees Vice President Florencio F. Briones, Member Carlos G. Salcedo, Member Maria Morgan, Clerk Ricardo Padilla, President David Diaz and Principal Robin Torres.

**032519\_EMUHSD\_EMHSSTADIUM2:** El Monte High varsity football player Abel Cueva delivers remarks during the El Monte High School stadium renovation project ribbon-cutting ceremony on March 20.

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*The vision of the El Monte Union High School District is to empower and motivate our students to be resilient, college and career ready, lifelong learners and contributing members of our global society.*