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## MEDIA ADVISORY

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### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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## Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony to Celebrate New GCC Athletics Complex

When: Friday, June 24, 2022  
10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.  
Where: Glendale Community College/Verdugo Campus  
1500 N. Verdugo Road  
Glendale, CA 90128

(Glendale, CA) – Glendale Community College is inviting the public and media to attend a ribbon-cutting ceremony this Friday, June 24 to celebrate the opening of the new Kinesiology and Vaquero Athletic Complex on the college’s Verdugo Campus.

The existing Verdugo Gymnasium has undergone a seismic retrofit and expansion to modernize the facility which now includes new locker room facilities, and a second competition gymnasium for volleyball, pickleball, and badminton. The project also added offices for Kinesiology and Athletics faculty and staff, including new staff locker rooms with showers. With accessible paths of travel to Sartoris Field, a concession building has been added with public restrooms that will serve students and spectators at the field.

*“The new Title IX-compliant spaces will support physical education classes in addition to fostering competition and training spaces for all 16 athletic programs on campus,”* said Chris Cicuto, Associate Dean Athletics. *“One major highlight of the upgrades includes a state-of-the-art weight room and shaded outdoor exercise area that will accommodate a variety of fitness course offerings.”*

The project is funded by Measure GC, a \$325 million bond measure approved by 73% of Glendale voters in 2016. The funds allocated under Measure GC have enabled the GCC District to continue to upgrade its educational facilities and add buildings, classrooms, and instructional support space at the Verdugo, Garfield and Montrose Campuses.

*“The Glendale community overwhelming approved Measure GC, and now, we want to make sure residents see the results of their investment,”* said GCC superintendent/president Dr. David Viar. *“We have been making significant improvements to our campuses, and this is the first major building project to be completed with the new science building and performing and media arts center moving forward.”*

Southern California based Gafcon, Inc. served as the project manager. Information on the Kinesiology and Vaquero Athletic Complex and other projects can be found at [glendale.edu/campusprojects](http://glendale.edu/campusprojects). The GCC Board of Trustees appoints a citizen’s bond oversight committee to ensure that Measure GC funds are expended as set forth in the measure.

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