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## Reynolds School District Upgrades High School Field Lighting

**November 10, 2021, Fairview, OR** – Reynolds School District contracted with MUSCO Lighting to install a new state-of-the-art lighting system at the Reynolds High School fields. The high school didn't have lights prior and had to transport RHS students to Reynolds Middle School in order to practice and play sports after dark.

The total cost of the project was \$395,129, paid for by the 2015 bond and with \$50,000 each out of Reynolds School District's Operations and Facilities departments. The RMS field lighting, the poles of which were over 50 years old, were also demolished.

"Now our high school students don't have to be bussed over to RMS for practice and games," stated Dee Archie, Reynolds High School's Athletic Director. "They can take pride in having a state-of-the-art lighting system at their own field."



The new lighting system increases safety for RHS student athletes, and it mitigates the risk of nighttime criminal activity. The lights are energy efficient and will have a cost savings to the district. "The new lighting will light the entire football field as well as 50% of the east practice field," proclaimed Dr. Christopher Ortiz, Assistant Superintendent of Student & Family Services and District Operations. "We're excited to have our Raider Boys and Girls sports teams play on their own field with safer conditions the lights provide," he continued.

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As a community, we prepare lifelong learners to achieve their full potential in a complex and interconnected world. Reynolds School District recognizes the diversity and worth of all individuals and groups in our society. Reynolds School District Board of Education ensures that all educational programs, activities, and employment will be free of discrimination or harassment on the basis of race, color, religion, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, national origin, disability, parental or marital status, or age.

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