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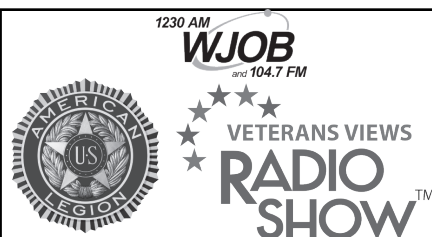
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UniFirst Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony for New HighTech Industrial Laundry Facility in Hammond, Indiana



UniFirst Corporation (NYSE:UNF), a North American leader in the supply and servicing of uniforms, workwear, and facility service products for businesses, hosted a ribbon-cutting ceremony on Wednesday, July 21, 2021, to celebrate the grand opening of its new 64,000-square-foot, state-of-the-art industrial laundry plant at 4029 Calumet Ave. in Hammond, Indiana.

Developed to accommodate a rapidly growing customer base in the Greater Hammond, Chicago, Evanston, Orland Park, and surrounding communities, the new customer-servicing plant replaces a smaller (outgrown) Hammond-based branch location and features the latest

innovations in textile services technologies and automation. The new operation and its team of 80 employees provide local businesses with personalized service programs for uniforms and workwear, as well as facility service products like floor mats and mops, wipers and towels, and restroom and ancillary business products. All employees from UniFirst's previous Hammond facility have transitioned to the new location, and an expected 15% increase in staff is expected over the next few years to accommodate projected growth rates.

"Our new Hammond facility is at the forefront of the latest advances in uniform and textile service technologies

and innovation," said UniFirst president and CEO, Steven Sintros. "Its high-tech processing systems and our dedicated staff will allow us to maximize service levels to area business customers' and will help ensure they are consistently receiving the very best products and personalized attention possible for years to come." Spanning five acres, the new facility also has an eye on the "greener" side of operations, supporting greater energy efficiencies through investments that include heat reclaiming equipment, contemporary rooftop HVAC units, latest-generation machinery that requires less natural resources (gas, electric, water, and detergents) for the production and hygienic laundering of garments and textiles, and eco-conscious warehouse and office lighting. In addition, all cleaning formulas and detergents are 100% environmentally friendly, and natural light throughout the plant offers a positive employee boost to the workday while saving on energy.

"To say we're excited to bring this world-class operation to the Greater Hammond and Chicago markets would be an understatement," said general manager, Darren Lane. "Our Hammond facility houses the very best of all the technological advancements we've made over the years and serves as a model for new UniFirst servicing operations to come. It also reinforces our ongoing commitment to quality, efficiency, and industry-leading customer service, and represents UniFirst's long-term commitment to the local business community."

Present to the grand opening ceremony were Hammond Mayor Thomas M. McDermott, Jr., 1st District Councilman Mark Kalwinski, and members of the Hammond Redevelopment Commission (HRC), as well as UniFirst executives and staff. The event concluded with a tour of the new facility and a catered lunch.

Source: UniFirst



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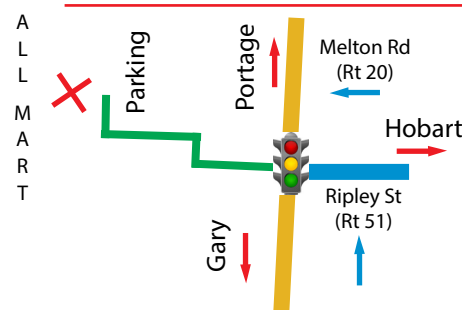
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HENDRICKS	RODRIGUEZ	Female 55 – 59	
Female 0 – 8	Female 25 – 29	CHRISTINE	
LILITH	MIRANDA	GAINES	
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Male 0 – 8	Male 25 – 29	AL LEACH	
DAMIAN	ANTHONY	Female 60 – 64	
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Female 9 – 10	Female 30 – 34	RUBEN	
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Male 9 – 10	ROBERTS	Female 65 – 69	
DANNY	Male 30 – 34	CECILIA	
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Female 11 – 12	WAGNER	Male 65 – 69	
MARIA	Female 35 – 39	ANTHONY	
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Male 11 – 12	NAGEL	Female 70 – 74	
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Mayor Thomas M McDermott Jr. crossing the finish line in 00:28:31.56, fourth in his age group



The start of the 5K run above for the Kids and below for the rest of the runners



School City of Hammond Hold Ribbon Cutting for New High School



School City of Hammond celebrated the culmination of a goal years in the making with a ribbon-cutting ceremony on Thursday, July 22, at its new \$100 million facility, Hammond Central High School.

"It's an enormous privilege to help usher in the first generation of Hammond Central students for the 2021-2022 school year," said SCH Superintendent Scott Miller.

The district closed its aging Clark, Gavit, and Hammond High schools at the end of the 2020-21 school year and redistricted students between Hammond Central and Morton High School. The Hammond Central name and mascot - the Wolves - came from a series of in-person and virtual town hall meetings and two community surveys conducted over more than two months. The district worked directly with architecture firm Schmidt Associates and construction company The Skillman Corporation on the school's design and building.



"Collaborating with the School City of Hammond since 2017, we have been inspired by a community truly invested in their school. Partnering with a community task force, the School Board, school leadership, parents, and even students, we envisioned and brought to life a space that will serve the community and enhance learning outcomes for many years to come. We could not be more proud of the final product," said Schmidt Associates CEO Sarah Hempstead, AIA, LEED, AP.

Hammond Central Highlights

The third-floor library media center serves as the school's crown jewel, sitting directly in the center of the 340,000 square-foot building. The media center acts as an information hub at the center of the school, linking together its two academic wings in a dynamic shared space.

According to Steve Schaecher, AIA, LEED AP, CDT, principal and senior project architect at Schmidt Associates, "the media center location is a symbol of the importance of knowledge and progress in the community."

Clerestory windows along Hammond Central's spacious public corridors bring more

natural light into the building. The school houses more than 60 state-of-the-art classroom spaces. These spaces include science and art rooms, along with an open-concept Project Lead the Way classroom that allows for hands-on production areas.

When designing the 7,403 square-foot cafeteria space, the district incorporated the school colors of the now-closed Clark, Hammond High, and Gavit. The cafeteria kitchen includes state-of-the-art cooking equipment, including a double-decker TurboChef pizza oven. Students can choose from various food stations, such as international cuisine, sandwiches, salads, and "comfort food." As always, all SCH students receive breakfast and lunch at no cost.

Inspired by discussions between Schmidt Associates and incoming Hammond Central students, a designated senior "chill room" sits adjacent to the cafeteria. This space is a separate relaxation and study area for students in upper grades.

Hammond Central's state-of-the-art Black Box Theater is the largest in the tri-state area. It complements the 1,300 seat auditorium at Morton High School. It offers a flexible thrust stage model by using a tension grid using a complete LED lighting system to provide enormous variety in performance capacity.

At 643 automated theatrical seats, the floor space is configured to support all aspects of performance. The area is electrically and acoustically balanced. It uses architecturally integrated audio, internally

constructed wall displays, and motorized front projection. It employs sound paneling and a deep blue color-absorbed base for both function and beauty.

The black box theater is designed to grow usage for the district and community in multiple-use scenarios that expand the district's artistic impact. The north and south corners of the building are home to the school's athletics facilities, including a 14,146 square foot main gym and 12,324 square-foot auxiliary gym, a wrestling and weight room, and an 8-lane pool area. All sports equipment is brand new and ready to meet the needs of the student athletics population.

Event Details

The ribbon-cutting ceremony took place at the school, located at 5926 Calumet Avenue.

Incoming Hammond Central student ambassadors took attendees on building tours and there was ongoing performances in the Black Box Theatre by Hammond Arts and Performance Academy students.

About the School City of Hammond

The School City of Hammond is a thriving, progressive educational community of approximately 12,200 culturally diverse scholars and over 2,000 employees. The district comprises 12 elementary schools (grades k-6), two middle schools (grades 7-8), two high schools (grades 9-12) and the Area Career Center. The district also offers preschool and specialty programs.

Source: School City of Hammond

Boys & Girls Clubs members celebrate Too Good for Drugs Program

Outfitted in goggles that simulate the visual impairments brought on by alcohol, opioid and marijuana use, kids from across Porter and Lake County gathered at Portage Boys & Girls Club to stack cups, drive model cars, and hula hoop. Director of Grant Operations Orlando Drummond said the event served as a fun way to reinforce the concepts taught in Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Northwest Indiana's Too Good for Drugs and Too Good for Violence programs.

"Too Good for Drugs is one of the most popular programs in our Clubs. It's engaging and the kids have a lot of fun with it. They learn about the dangers of substance abuse, as well as how to develop confidence in resisting peer pressure and how to build positive relationships with their peers," Drummond said.

Roughly 90 kids from Clubs throughout the organization participated in the event, which marked the end of this year's program cohort. Club members ate lunch, played games, and received swag bags before being bused back to their home Clubs.

Boys & Girls Clubs Director of External Affairs Dylan McKee said Club members were surprised by how difficult the goggles made performing basic tasks.

"Every time the kids put the goggles on, they were like 'whoa!' Then we'd toss bean bag balls and ask them to catch only the blue ones or drive a little car down a fairly straight line, and most of them couldn't do it," McKee said. "It's a good way to remind them that drugs and alcohol can not only take a physical toll in the long run, but also in the moment they

can make it very difficult to function safely."

The event also served as a way to introduce Club members to peers outside their community.

"We are intentional about splitting Club members up when they get there. We want them to go through the whole event in groups with kids from other Clubs," Drummond said. "It's easy for them to stick with who they know, and we really want them to branch out and meet Club members from different communities. Kids from our Cedar Lake Club go through the event with kids from our Clubs in East Chicago, Gary, Valparaiso. It's a really cool opportunity for them."

In total, Boys & Girls Clubs was able to fill over 200 program spots with members from the organization's nine Clubs. Members participate in a weeks-long curriculum and then the organization-wide event, both of which are made possible through funding from Geminus Corporation and a grant from Supporting Addiction Free Environments (SAFE), for whom Geminus is the fiscal agent.

G e m i n u s Corporation's Director of Prevention Services Eric Evans said the programming is ultimately funded through the Indiana Division of Mental Health and Addiction and that partnerships with community

organizations make it possible for Geminus Prevention Services to continue their work in coalition building, programming and trainings to build safe and healthy communities throughout the region.

"Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Northwest Indiana has been a tremendous partner in our work to prevent substance use and misuse among youth through Northwest Indiana," Evans said. "As an active member of Lake County's SAFE Coalition and collaborating to deliver evidence-based programs like Too Good for Drugs and Too Good for violence, hundreds of youth have learned skills and gained knowledge to help them overcome peer pressure and reinforce healthy decision making."

Traditionally, Boys & Girls Clubs has only offered the Too Good for Drugs program in its Lake County Clubs. Drummond said this was the first year the program was extended to Clubs in Porter County.

"We were really excited when Geminus gave us the chance to expand," Drummond said. "It's a great program, and the more kids who can benefit from it, the better."

More Club members will have the chance to participate in Too Good for Drugs and Violence, as well as next year's event; Supporting Addiction Free Environments recently awarded Boys & Girls Clubs a \$5,574 grant to continue its programming.

Source: Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Northwest Indiana



Jada B., 11, from John Will Anderson Boys & Girls Club in Gary attempts to walk a straight line while wearing goggles that simulate the visual impairment of drug and alcohol use. Boys & Girls Clubs' Director of Human Resources LaShawn Taylor looks on.



Jonathan, 9, of East Chicago Boys & Girls Club drives a model car through an obstacle course while wearing vision impairment goggles.

American Diabetes Association Urges Biden Administration To Tear Down Systemic Barriers to Health and Health Care for Americans With Diabetes

In Submission to White House Budget Office, the ADA Lays out Policy Vision for a More Equitable Future for Our Community

The American Diabetes Association® last week submitted comments to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) in response to a Request for Information (RFI) on the Methods and Leading Practices for Advancing Equity and Support for Underserved Communities Through Government. The submission lays out the ADA's vision for a safe and healthy future for all Americans—including the 122 million living with diabetes and prediabetes.

"The burden of these rising diabetes rates falls disproportionately on low-

income communities, historically underserved Americans, and people of color. Diabetes prevalence today among minority groups is nearly twice as high as it is for white Americans. Much of this is because the social, economic, and environmental factors that put people at a higher risk for developing diabetes are especially pervasive in America's communities of color...These trends are so prevalent that in the U.S. today, it is impossible to disentangle diabetes from larger systemic questions around health equity; we cannot have a holistic conversation about the causes and effects of one without discussing the other," the ADA statement reads.

To help ensure that all Americans living with diabetes, irrespective of who they are, where they are from, or what they look like, have the resources they need to stay safe and healthy, the ADA wrote in support of a range of proposals aimed at making quality care accessible and affordable to all. They include:

- Lowering the cost of prescription drugs and devices, including through rebate reform and building a more competitive biosimilars market;
- Remedying harmful health insurance coverage practices that raise the cost of and limit access to care;
- Expanding Medicare and Medicaid coverage and access for drugs, devices, and preventive care such as interventions to avoid unnecessary diabetes-related amputations;
- Making hospital and provider care more affordable and price-transparent;
- Increasing diversity in clinical trials; and
- Addressing food insecurity and impediments to nutritious foods, as well as limitations on safe places for underserved Americans to be physically active.

"While no silver bullet can reverse the grim effects of hundreds of years of racial injustice, structural inequality, and systemic barriers to health care, there is much we can do to ensure that nobody is forced to go without the resources they need to live a healthy life. It is our hope that, in addition

to considering the policy recommendations enclosed in this response, OMB and the Biden administration more broadly will partner with and keep the diabetes community top of mind as we work to build a more equitable future for all."

About the American Diabetes Association

Every day more than 4,000 people are newly diagnosed with diabetes in America. More than 122 million Americans have diabetes or prediabetes and are striving to manage their lives while living with the disease. The American Diabetes Association (ADA) is the nation's leading voluntary health organization fighting to bend the curve on the diabetes epidemic and help people living with diabetes thrive. For 80 years the ADA has been driving discovery and research to treat, manage and prevent diabetes, while working relentlessly for a cure. We help people with diabetes thrive by fighting for their rights and developing programs, advocacy and education designed to improve their quality of life. Diabetes has brought us together. What we do next will make us Connected for Life. To learn more or to get involved, visit us at diabetes.org or call 1-800-DIABETES (1-800-342-2383). Join the fight with us on Facebook (American Diabetes Association), Twitter (@AmDiabetesAssn) and Instagram (@AmDiabetesAssn).

Source: American Diabetes Association

The Gary Alumni Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi

For 75-plus years, The Gary Alumni Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi has been serving the Northwest Indiana community. To honor this "Achievement", the chapter invites everyone out to the Gary Aquatorium, 6918 Oak Drive in Gary, on Saturday August 7, 2021 from 4:00p to 10:00p to their Diamond Affair Day Party!!! This is a FREE community event!!!

Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity members of the Gary Alumni Chapter are also selling \$2.00 raffle

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Source: Gary Alumni Chapter Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc.



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