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Construction to Begin for Spectrum Community School's New Turf Field

VICTORIA, BC – In July 2025, the Greater Victoria School District shared that the project to construct a new all-weather turf field with lighting at Spectrum Community School was nearing the fundraising finish line.

The Greater Victoria School District is pleased to announce that the District will be moving forward with the construction of a turf field without lighting, with a commitment to explore ways to obtain the funding required to install permanent lighting in the future.

Information on the timeline for field construction will be communicated once it is finalized.

“Contributions, including a generous \$2 million anonymous donation, and strong advocacy from the school community over the past eight years have been key to the success of fundraising for this project,” says **Katrina Stride, Secretary Treasurer, Greater Victoria School District**. “Without community support and generous donations, we wouldn’t be able to move this project into the construction phase.”

In addition to the \$2 million anonymous donation, inspiring commitments that have been made toward construction costs include \$300,000 from the District of Saanich and \$20,000 from Peninsula Co-op.

During the rainy season, the school’s existing uneven grass fields have been deemed unusable due to drainage issues that cause flooding and muddy surfaces. Spectrum’s school sports teams have not played home games on the fields in 15 years for this reason.

“I’m so thankful for our school community throughout the funding process for this project,” says **Aaron Norris, Principal, Spectrum Community School**. “The continued support has been motivating and we are very much looking forward to using a new turf field on which our students can play and host various sporting and community events.”

The Greater Victoria School District extends sincere gratitude to those who have given in any capacity to support this project.

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