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We affectionately call it the Fieldhouse – although there's not much more to see at the moment than a big dirt field and some heavy equipment. But that doesn't mean there isn't a ton of work going on behind the scenes. And underground.

Soon, we'll see the physical form of the Fieldhouse – officially called the Student Athletics, Academic, and Recreation Center – take shape. We wanted to give you a quick update about Heidelberg's newest and largest facility that is expected to be ready in a little more than a year. With site and utility work nearly complete, and a new access road being constructed, we'll see the steel framing for the structure put into place in early July. In mid-August – about the same time you'll arrive on campus – we will begin to see "vertical construction." That's when the building will really start to look like a building!

This fantastic new \$27.4 million facility has been decades in the making and is being funded entirely by donors. We are so excited to watch it come to life before our eyes. In a little more than a year from now, **ALL** students will finally enjoy the many opportunities the Fieldhouse will bring to Heidelberg's campus. You can read more about what's included in the new facility <u>here</u>. And if you want to follow along through the construction process, check out our <u>live cam</u>.

On June 21, we'll host the official ground-breaking. That's the one with dignitaries in hard hats, shovels in hand, marking the official ceremonial start of the project. After that, it's full speed ahead.

We can't wait to see you in August!

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