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MEDIA ALERT

Cardinal Ritter College Prep to Unveil New Athletic Complex Ahead of Homecoming Football Game

New athletic field, track and weight room were installed as part of school's health-and-wellness initiative

ST. LOUIS – On **Friday, September 24,** Tamiko Armstead, President of Cardinal Ritter College Preparatory High School, will join Most Reverend Mitchell T. Rozanski, Archbishop of St. Louis and the entire student body of Cardinal Ritter College Prep for a ceremonial ribbon cutting and blessing to celebrate completion of construction of a new athletic complex, as part of the school's health and wellness initiative. The school's highly-anticipated homecoming football game, to be played on the brand-new field, will follow this ceremony.

Cardinal Ritter College Prep's health and wellness initiative, funded in large part by the Taylor family and Enterprise Holdings Foundation, with support from our other honorable donors—including William T. Kemper Foundation, Centene Charitable Foundation and Edward Jones—is an effort to ensure the sustainability and growth of the school's 17-acre facility. The new athletic complex is not only essential to its athletic programs' tradition of excellence, but also to its continued role as a community resource for more than 10,000 youth and adults who use the athletics facilities each year—including elementary schools, youth clubs and community-based organizations.

Construction began in Spring of 2020, and the athletic complex is now fully operational.

WHAT: Tamiko Armstead and Archbishop Mitchell T. Rozanksi will join parents, alumni, faculty and friends, as well as the entire Cardinal Ritter College Prep student body, for a ceremonial ribbon cutting to celebrate the completion of construction of the school's new athletic complex. The ribbon cutting will be followed by a blessing from Archbishop Rozanski, and then the school's homecoming football game.

A list of notable participants is available at the end of this document.

- **WHEN:** 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. CT on September 24, 2021
 - 6:00 p.m. Ceremonial ribbon cutting and blessing at CRCP Weight Room
 - 7:00 p.m. Homecoming football game kickoff on the field
- WHERE: Cardinal Ritter College Preparatory High School 701 N. Spring Ave. St. Louis, MO 63108 Ribbon cutting ceremony to be held in the weight room.

VISUALS:

- Speakers including President Tamiko Armstead; Cardinal Ritter College Prep alumni; Archbishop Mitchell T. Rozanski, Tony Thompson of KWAME Building Group Inc.
- Musical performances by CRCP students
- Ribbon cutting "moment," at the newly completed weight room with honored guests
- Homecoming football game kickoff (CRCP Lions vs. St. Dominic Crusaders)

NOTABLE PARTICIPANTS:

- Tamiko Armstead, President, Cardinal Ritter College Prep
- Most Reverend Mitchell T. Rozanski, Archbishop of St. Louis
- Tony Thompson, Owner of Kwame Building Group, Inc.

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