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MEDIA ADVISORY

New Health Clinic to Open at Richmond’s Kennedy High School

WHAT: A ribbon-cutting ceremony will be held this Friday for a new community health clinic at Kennedy High School, which will serve students as well as other children and youth in the community. The clinic is expected to open in the next month and serve about 340 people monthly.

The clinic, a collaboration between Contra Costa Health Services (CCHS) and the West Contra Costa Unified School District (WCCUSD), will offer services such as physical and well-child exams, immunizations, reproductive healthcare, non-urgent care, and dental exams, cleanings and fillings Monday through Friday.

A $500,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services allowed for renovation of a campus classroom to house the clinic.

WHEN: 11 a.m. to noon Friday, January 9. Tours will be offered following the ceremony.

WHERE: The event will take place in the quad area at Kennedy High, 4300 Cutting Blvd. in Richmond.

WHO: Speakers will include Contra Costa County Supervisor John Gioia, WCCUSD Board of Education President Todd Groves, CCHS Director William Walker, MD, CCHS Health Educator LaShonda Williams, Kennedy High School Principal Phillip Johnson and a Kennedy High School student.

WHY: While CCHS operates other school-based health clinics in the district, the new facility is unique because it will serve both Kennedy students and children and youth in the community who do not attend the school.

CCHS and the district have collaborated for more than 20 years to bring healthcare to children and youth in West County.

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