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The King's Academy Installs New State-of-the-Art, All-Weather Running Track

SUNNYVALE, CA, December 3, 2013 — The King's Academy will get a new state-of-the-art track, thanks to large donations from several organizations and long-term school supporters. The track will have an all-weather, fully permeable surface with eight lanes. It will include two long jump pits and a new discus-throwing pad as well as areas for sprinting and the high jump on the home side. This new track will replace the obsolete dirt track, probably one of the few left in the state of California.

Athletic Director Joe Maemone tells the story about how Paul Spates, TKA Founder and former Athletic Director, always joked about putting inflatable alligators on the track because it flooded like a moat whenever it rained. "Whereas it was never an option to host a track meet in the past, now, TKA will be the only school in our league with eight lanes and lights, making night track events a distinct possibility."

"The track will impact everyone associated with TKA," Maemone explained. "The P.E. program and all athletics, especially our track athletes, obviously stand to benefit most. However, the increased attractiveness of our facility will positively affect admissions and outreach as more people come to our campus and hear about The King's Academy. We are excited to be able to hold league track events as well as invitational meets."

The \$600,000 track is being constructed by [Hellas Construction](#) out of Dallas, Texas. Construction began on December 2, 2013 with completion estimated by February 1, 2014 (weather permitting), well in time for junior high and high school track and field training in the spring. The main athletic field will be accessible to students during most of the construction. A few soccer games may need to be rescheduled during the first couple weeks of construction.

The mission of The King's Academy is to transform lives through Christ-centered college preparatory education. The junior and senior high school of 930 students (grades 6-12) offers a loving, family environment where students are encouraged to grow in their relationship with Jesus, their family, teachers, and others. Please visit our website at www.tka.org.

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Current TKA Track



Schematic of New Track