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JASPER HIGH SCHOOL UNVEILS STATE-OF-THE-ART WEIGHT ROOM AS PART OF THSCEF'S "IRON SHARPENS IRON" INITIATIVE

Fin Ewing's Philanthropic Gift Helps Transform Athletic Training Facilities for Student-Athletes

Jasper, Texas – June 17, 2026 – Jasper High School unveiled its newly renovated weight room today, representing a major investment in the growth, wellness, and future success of its students. The project was made possible through the Texas High School Coaches Education Foundation's (THSCEF) Iron Sharpens Iron program, with generous contributions from Dallas businessman and philanthropist Fin Ewing.

The new Burt Family Strength & Conditioning Facility was named in honor of coaches Ayden and David Burt, whose extraordinary leadership and immeasurable impact on Jasper athletics helped shape generations of student-athletes. The dedication celebrates the Burt family's enduring legacy of service, leadership and support for Jasper ISD, ensuring their influence will continue to inspire future Bulldogs for years to come.

The unveiling ceremony brought together THSCEF leadership, Fin Ewing, Jasper ISD administrators, coaches, student-athletes, project partners, and community members to celebrate this milestone for the school and community.

"Fin Ewing has been an incredible champion for Texas coaches and student-athletes," said Joe Martin, Executive Director of the Texas High School Coaches Association. *"Thanks to his commitment and the collaboration of our building partners, we are strengthening athletic programs and empowering coaches to make an even greater impact on the students they serve every day."*

The Jasper renovation is another example of what can be accomplished when schools, communities, and industry partners work together to create resources for future generations. The project was completed through the expertise, generosity, and support of the following partners:

- Advanced Exercise – Vaughn Marxhausen (Custom Bumpers, 3D Renders & FlyThrough)
- Hammer Strength/Life Fitness - Mike Zinda & Jeremy Weeks (Weight Equipment)
- Plus More Fitness - Waylon Cobb (Equipment Delivery & Installation)
- Prince Consulting - Jenna Addison & Blair Prince (Project Management & Design)
- RFS Sports Surfaces & Lockers - David & Nick Smith (Sport Surface Supply, Demo, & Installation)

- Texas Power Bars - Buddy Capps & Mitch Stacey
- Water Boy Graphics – Ty Gipson (Graphics)

Furnished with modern weight room equipment and enhanced training space, the facility will serve Jasper's athletic programs for years to come and provide student-athletes with a high-quality environment to train and compete.

"This weight room will not only make a difference for athletes that are here today, but for generations to come" said Toby Foreman, head football coach and athletic director at Jasper High School. *"This will benefit every kid in our athletic program- from football players to track and basketball- everyone will get better because of this generous donation."*

The Jasper High School weight room marks the fourth facility completed through the THSCEF Iron Sharpens Iron initiative. Previous projects have benefited Cedar Hill High School, Uvalde High School and Rio Hondo High School, furthering the program's mission of providing Texas students and coaches with access to a weight room that encourages education-based athletics.

About the Texas High School Coaches Association (THSCA)
The Texas High School Coaches Association (THSCA) is Texas high school coaches' principal advocate and leadership organization. The THSCA provides the highest quality representation, education, and services to Texas High School coaches and affiliate members by enhancing the professionalism of coaches and the schools they represent. The mission statement is simply this: To help and serve Texas high school coaches as they work to help and serve student-athletes. "HELPING COACHES HELP KIDS." For more information on THSCA, visit www.thsca.com

About Texas High School Coaches Education Foundation
The mission of the Texas High School Coaches Education Foundation is to develop funds from a broad range of donors to provide professional education programs that will strengthen, reinforce, and enhance professionalism in high school coaches throughout the state of Texas. These programs provide instructional material and training in character development to coaches in Texas at both the high school and middle school levels. They can directly impact the lives of over 1.5 million student-athletes each year. The two established events are the Texas Coaches Leadership Summit and the R.O.C.K. Mentoring Workshop.

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