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MSD of Martinsville Breaks Ground on New Elementary School, Opening Planned for 2027–2028 School Year

Martinsville, Indiana — The Metropolitan School District (MSD) of Martinsville celebrated a major milestone with the official groundbreaking of the new elementary school located at 3355 Centennial Road, Martinsville, IN 46151.

The new elementary school is part of the District's Artesian Initiative to create a modern and collaborative learning environment. The new elementary school will consolidate three or four of the seven existing elementary schools, many of which face rising maintenance and upgrade costs. The school is designed to foster state-of-the-art opportunities while significantly reducing long-term operational and maintenance expenses.

While investing in this new building, the MSD of Martinsville is committed to upgrading the District's remaining schools to ensure that all elementary students have access to high-quality learning experiences and shared opportunities for success.

The groundbreaking ceremony featured several District and project leaders, including:

- Eric Bowlen, Superintendent
- Heather Staggs, School Board President
- Ryan Cook, Vice President, Building Corporation
- Eric Ratts, Vice President, DLZ Architecture
- Kevin McGovern, Executive Vice President, Meyer Najem

The event began with a performance of the National Anthem by the Elementary Honor Choir and concluded with a ceremonial turning of the soil by District officials and project partners.

“The MSD of Martinsville is grateful to everyone who joined us for this milestone event,” said Superintendent Bowlen. “This project will benefit MSD students, staff, and community members for generations to come.”

To receive project updates and other district news, email community.relations@msdmartinsville.org to be added to the MSD Community Group on ParentSquare.

Questions about the project may be submitted through the [District website](#) using the online question form.

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