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Lindenwood University has received a \$280,000 matching grant from the J.E. and L.E. Mabee Foundation. The Mabee grant will be used to help fund a 43,000-square-foot Student-Athlete Center.

Currently under construction outside Harlen C. Hunter Stadium, the \$6.3 million Student-Athlete Center is scheduled to be completed in late 2012. It will feature an academic success center; new locker rooms; and office, athletic training, and clinical spaces.

"It is necessary to expand and upgrade facilities as we move into the competitive NCAA environment," said James D. Evans, Ph.D., president of Lindenwood University. "It is through the support of donors such as the Mabee Foundation that we will be able to enhance the total collegiate experience directly for hundreds of student-athletes and indirectly for thousands of our general students who benefit from the energy and cohesiveness that intercollegiate athletics engenders on our campus."

The Mabee grant, coupled with money raised in the LU to DII fundraising campaign and Lindenwood reserve funds, completes the funding for the Student-Athlete Center. The summer of 2011 marked the beginning of Lindenwood's second year of NCAA candidacy. The university will serve another provisional year before moving to anticipated full membership by the start of the 2013-2014 academic year.

The J. E. and L. E. Mabee Foundation, Inc., a Delaware non-profit corporation, was formed in 1948 by Mr. John E. Mabee and his wife, Lottie E. Mabee. The purpose of the foundation is to aid Christian religious organizations, charitable organizations, and institutions of higher learning, hospitals, and other organizations of a general charitable nature.