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Several Lindenwood University and community leaders joined together Thursday to break ground on a new 38,000 square foot St. Charles Boys and Girls Club, very near the original club in St. Charles. The \$7 million project features a swimming pool that will be shared by all of Lindenwood's aquatic sports. The university contributed \$1.3 million to the project.



"As part of the major community outreach initiative we launched five years ago, Lindenwood was most pleased to make a significant contribution in support of the construction of the new Boys and Girls Club of St. Charles," said Lindenwood University President James D. Evans, Ph.D. "The resulting Lindenwood University Aquatic Sports Center will benefit both the St. Charles community and the university by serving youth in many exciting, healthful ways. We are proud to be a partner and benefactor of the Boys and Girls Club."

Lindenwood's men's and women's swimming and diving teams, synchronized swimming team, and women's water polo team will practice and hosts events at the venue, which will feature an eight-lane pool and three diving boards.

Swimming and diving head coach Craig Penrose remarked at the construction kickoff that having the new facility as a base for Lindenwood will have a positive impact on student-athletes.

"We will be able to offer students better athletic and academic experiences through convenient practice schedules and a consistent nearby location," Penrose said.

In addition to Penrose, Lindenwood was also represented at the groundbreaking by President Evans, Vice Presidents Julie Mueller and Jann Weitzel, and Athletics Director John Creer, who spoke on behalf of the university.