

**CHARIHO SPORTS BOOSTERS  
CHARIHO REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**PRESS RELEASE**

The Chariho Sports' Boosters have announced a capital plan to raise \$200,000 to build a new Main Field Outdoor Concession Stand and Bathroom Facility on Bert Roberts Field on the Chariho Campus. The new concession stand will replace an outdated, inadequate and tiny concession stand and will, for the first time, allow spectators to use other than portable restrooms.

The Chariho Sports' Boosters raise funds for Chariho athletic programs and athletes. Among their many recent accomplishments are the installation of indoor batting cages and the purchase of gymnasium team banners. The establishment of a new concession stand will allow the Sports' Boosters to do even more to support Chariho athletic programs. Mike Kirby, President of the Boosters, remarked, "We're determined to raise the funds needed to build a new concession stand. It will allow us to do even more to support our student-athletes now and in the future."

To involve students in this project, CHARIHOTech Construction Technology teacher David Bannister will use the new concession stand as a real-life learning event. His construction students will not only build the roof, but will create a materials list, review design elements, and develop a construction schedule. "This is an ideal project for our students. It will provide an opportunity for the application of learning in a real-life situation."

Athletic Director Michael Shiels sees this project as a logical next step in Chariho's athletic program. "Improving the spectator experience is only part of it," says Shiels. "The Boosters have been partners all the way in creating a high quality athletic program for our students. They want to do more and this will allow them to do it."

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