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**Media Advisory**

Wednesday, Oct. 5, 8:30 a.m.  
(arrive by 8:15 a.m. for set-up)

Music Suite, Harrisburg Academy

*\*Ribbon Cutting for Harrisburg Academy's New Music Suite*

**Harrisburg Academy to Celebrate New Music Suite at Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony**

WORMLEYSBURG, PA – Harrisburg Academy is pleased to celebrate the completion of construction of its new 3,200-square-foot music suite with a ribbon-cutting ceremony. Media and friends are invited to attend the ceremony on Wednesday, Oct. 5 at 8:30 a.m. After gathering in McCormick Auditorium Commons, guests will proceed as a group to the music suite for the ribbon-cutting. Visitors bringing news cameras are asked to arrive by 8:15 a.m. to allow time for set-up.



“Music education, from classroom learning to performance ensembles, is an important component to all students’ experiences at Harrisburg Academy,” said Jim Newman, head of school. “Our spacious new music suite will have a direct, positive impact on our ability to grow our program and continue this legacy of excellence in the performing arts.”

“I am thrilled we made the construction of this new space an institutional priority and to officially recognize it at this special event,” he added.

The music suite, constructed during summer 2016, includes two rooms for class instruction, four individual practice rooms, storage for instruments, and a lobby area for parents waiting for children taking after-school music lessons. It was funded through Bold Ambition: The Campaign for Harrisburg Academy and is the second capital expansion project of the campaign’s Performing Arts phase (Phase II). It caps off three summers and three big projects now complete (Cleveland Brothers Science Wing lab renovation and creation in 2014, and McCormick Auditorium Commons renovation in 2015).

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**About the campaign:**

The Bold Ambition campaign traces its roots back to December of 2013. The campaign's focus is threefold: raise \$5.5 million for facilities renovation and new construction; raise \$1.5 million for increasing the Academy's endowment; and raise \$1.5 million for the Academy Fund, the Academy's annual giving program. For a comprehensive look at the Bold Ambition campaign and how to get involved, visit [www.BoldAmbition.org](http://www.BoldAmbition.org).

**About the Academy:**

Established in 1784, Harrisburg Academy is the 17th oldest non-public school in the nation and Harrisburg's only independent school. Our coed, diverse school community inspires students from age three through 12<sup>th</sup> grade by providing an academically challenging and globally minded liberal arts education focused on dynamic classroom experiences, strong student outcomes, and a commitment to character development. The Academy proudly stands as the first school in the greater Harrisburg area to offer the International Baccalaureate Diploma Program and merit scholarship.

For more information about Harrisburg Academy please visit our website or contact Miranda Connelly at 717-763-7811 or via email at [connelly.m@harrisburgacademy.org](mailto:connelly.m@harrisburgacademy.org).

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