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**Pinkard Construction Celebrates Opening of Red Rocks Student Recreation Center**

**LAKEWOOD, CO** — Pinkard Construction Company celebrated the grand opening of Red Rocks Community College (RRCC)’s new Student Recreation Center.

The 38,000 gsf project, designed by Davis Partnership Architects, includes the construction of a new student recreation center addition to the main building at the Lakewood campus, and 3,000 gsf of renovations in the existing building. The new two-story building features a gym, climbing and bouldering wall, exercise studios, cardio/strength equipment spaces, outdoor fitness deck, meeting rooms, offices and student gathering areas.

The new facility is structural steel and load bearing masonry with glass curtainwall, brick, and translucent panel/plastic resin exterior skin, and will feature a radiant in-floor heating system. The project encompasses the existing Fitness Center, which was transformed into meeting space and a catering kitchen, along with an east entry retrofit.

Site work included grading/earthwork, upgrades to the existing athletic field, drainage, utilities, and landscaping, and maintains access and services to the existing buildings.

The project is the result of a planning and feasibility study conducted in 2013 and a vote by the Red Rocks student body. In spring 2014 students voted in favor of a fee increase to support the facility. A planning committee consisting of RRCC student government members and RRCC staff brought the project to fruition.

Construction of the $10.2 million facility completed in June.

**About Pinkard Construction Company:** With 58 recreation sports and wellness centers and 49 pools, Pinkard Construction is THE leader in Colorado recreation construction. Pinkard has been building recreation centers along the Colorado Front Range for 53 years. We currently have four recreation center projects underway. For more information, please contact Jim Mellor at 303.986.4555 or visit our website at [www.pinkardcc.com](http://www.pinkardcc.com)

**About Red Rocks Community College**: Established in 1969, Red Rocks Community College delivers high-quality, affordable education programs leading to two-year degrees or professional certificates. The college serves over 14,000 students per year online and at two campus locations in Lakewood and Arvada. [www.rrcc.edu](http://www.rrcc.edu).