

Athletics at Anatolia

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The Gym:

Renovation and Restoration

The Anatolia closed gymnasium, situated near the northeast corner of the 2nd Gymnasium-Lyceum campus, has served thousands of high school and university students as well as Alumni for over three decades. A series of interrelated proposals have as their nucleus a major renovation for the Gym, complemented by all-new outdoor athletic courts and facilities on the main campus.

The renovated Gym will meet contemporary standards for hosting official games and other large, public, student-oriented events and will provide even more students and alumni opportunities to participate in intramural and varsity athletics throughout their years of study and beyond.



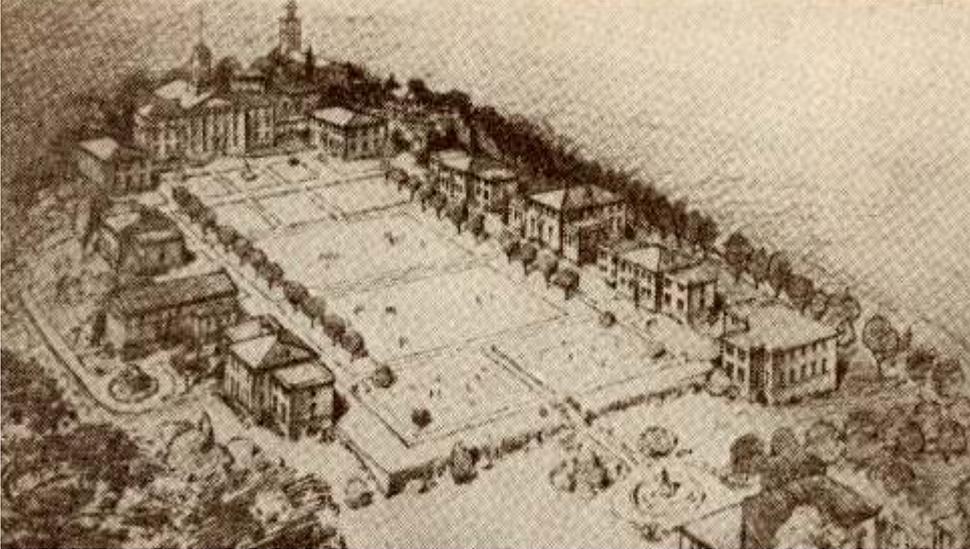
While offering the prospect of a significantly modernized and upgraded indoor facility and 21st-century outdoor courts for basketball, volleyball, and handball, the renovation of Anatolia's athletic facilities simultaneously provides an impetus for the school to restore the historic part of its central campus, returning it to a design close to that envisioned by the original campus planners in the 1930s. These central campus renovation and renewal projects are rounded off by a proposal for restructuring the Anatolia Main Entrance and Gate.



Highlights of the plans for the Gym's renovation include:

- A stone-clad arcade on the South (entrance) side, which will formally connect it with Anatolia's most historic campus buildings
- Re-design of the area outside the Gym entrance
- Restoration of the Gym facades
- An all-new entrance with annex containing 2 squash courts
- Renovation of offices, re-located and enlarged trophy cases
- Improved lighting and acoustics systems for the main court
- New playing surface for the main court; re-finishing of floors, stairs, and bleachers
- Complete reconstruction of athletes' locker rooms, showers, and bathrooms
- New wooden *barres* for the dance room
- Upgrading of fire-safety protection
- New drainage/natural gas systems
- Renovation of heating and electrical-mechanical systems
- Renovation of the north (back) side, providing for natural lighting and ventilation
- Thermal insulation to conserve energy

The Outdoor Athletic Facilities & Central Quad



Architect's Preliminary Layout of College Campus, 1931.

Renovation - relocation of all the outdoor athletic courts on the Main Campus forms the second main goal of the comprehensive renewal program for the oldest part of the Anatolia campus. Included in the program is an upgrading of the functionality and aesthetics of this entire area.

The architect's design foresees highlighting the historic buildings of the Anatolia campus through restoration and enhancement of the central axis pavement, returning the Central Campus to the core principles on which the first campus master plan was based.

The main goals of the proposed improvements are to:

- Build new outdoor courts for basketball, volleyball, and handball
- Provide a central entrance for spectators to the new Anatolia Stadium & Track Field

In a second phase, improvements will proceed to:

- Reconstruction of the entrance to Kyrides Hall
- Building of a second basketball court on the site of today's tennis courts
- Construction of new tennis courts on the 1st Gymnasium-Lyceum campus

In addition to these central objectives, the restoration project provides for the:

- Redesign of the central courtyard to highlight Anatolia's historic buildings, regulate movement among them, and link them with the new campus entrance
- Transformation of the central campus into an area for walks and leisure through installation of covered seating areas, gazebos, benches, water fountains, and flower beds
- Reconstruction of the central square in front of Macedonia Hall and the Gym, which is the area where formal school ceremonies are held
- Construction of a stone-clad, column-supported arcade to upgrade the Gym's entrance and connect it formally with the three historic buildings
- Creation of a secondary axis leading from the Main Gate to the new Stadium



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The Restoration of the Historic Central Campus will:

- Improve the quality of life for all students, faculty, and campus visitors
- Provide highest-quality outdoor athletic facilities
- Restore and enhance the formal unity of the campus's original buildings
- Integrate the new Stadium into the central campus's overall design
- Minimize vehicle traffic on this historic part of the campus

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The design proposals for the renovation and restoration of the Historic Central Campus go hand in hand with the redevelopment of the campus' main gate and guardhouse area to better control campus access; the development of required parking areas; and the redeployment of the overall pedestrian and vehicular routes within the campus to ensure safety and relieve congestion during peak times.



Highlights of this part of the project include:

- A single Main Gate for Anatolia College, which will serve both upper campuses as well as the Pinewood Schools (future home of Anatolia Elementary School)
- A network of streets and parking spaces adjacent to the Main Entrance
- A school bus parking area beside the gate to eliminate circulation of oversized vehicles on the Main Campus
- A tunnel for vehicles and pedestrians to the 1st Gymnasium Lyceum, with all traffic directed and controlled from a single main gate
- A new routing for the road leading behind the main campus and down to ACT