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Public Invited to Join in Celebration for Opening of New Wellness Center at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi Islanders to take on UT-San Antonio in first-ever Division I game on campus

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas – Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi invites the public to the Grand Opening celebration for the Dr. Jack and Susie Dugan Wellness Center, Saturday, Jan. 24, at 10:30 a.m. east of the University Center.

Following the ribbon cutting, the public is invited to tour the facility. At 2 p.m., the men's basketball team will play the first-ever NCAA Division I game on campus when the Islanders host UT-San Antonio in a battle of Southland Conference rivals.

Funding for the \$21 million center was seeded by a \$1 million gift from the Dugan family. The remaining construction costs are being financed by student fees. In 2007, students also approved a referendum that increases usage fees to finance the cost of facility operations.

The 67,000-square foot complex includes two regulation NCAA basketball courts, weight and cardio areas, locker rooms, including two for those with special needs, and group exercise rooms. Other areas include support facilities and offices for Athletics and Recreational Sports.

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