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### **Donations help make Arlington High School stagecraft storage shed a reality**

ARLINGTON- The finishing touches are being put on a new stagecraft storage shed behind the Byrnes Performing Arts Center at Arlington High School (AHS). AHS received a \$20,000 donation from the Braaten family and Boeing to help build the shed this summer.

The new shed allows the drama department to expand the scale and scope of scene construction for their productions. The stagecraft program was formerly based in the woodshop, metal shop, room B117 and a small storage area outside the metal shop.

“The Braatens generosity and gifts of their immense talents and time have benefitted this community more than anyone could imagine,” said AHS Drama Director, Scott Moberly. “While many have been witness to the incredible work we create, the Braatens were always there in the trenches, helping out, speaking up and rolling up their sleeves.”

The Braaten family presented the donation to the Arlington Public Schools Board of Directors at their May 29 meeting. The Braatens explained what a positive impact the drama program has had on their children.

“We wanted to show our appreciation to the Arlington drama program with this donation,” said Darrin Braaten. “The program has meant a lot to our family over the past 20 years.”

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