

Centennial PE lockers get extreme makeover

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In 1993, around 1,550 lockers were built for the students at Centennial High school, which we are now realizing that after many years of use. ***It's time to upgrade.*** "A lot of schools try to get an upgrade every 20 or 30 years, and it was time for us," Assistant Principal, Chris Sanchez, informs us.

Each year our lockers get inspected, and, whether they are beyond repair or still acceptable, is determined. This year we recognize that our lockers need to be renovated.

"The first complaint I had was from the district people that ours had been beyond basic repair. It was harder and harder to get everything lined up right, so that's why we decided to do this," Sanchez explains.

As far as the visage of our new lockers, the mustard yellow color plastered like a blanket on the lockers will be replaced with a favorable red. The size of the lockers will be able to fit everyone's backpacks for P.E., and will be around double the size of the other school lockers we use.

"The average person who uses the lockers for P.E. will now have a big locker. I advocated for the larger ones," Sanchez tells us. Each locker will be the same size, rather than the current ones which have different sizes, large as well as small.

The number of lockers we have will be around the same, approximately 1,550 in total. "Instead of different sizes, they will all be the same size. Probably two-and-a-half feet wide," Sanchez says.

The ventilation in the lockers will also be improved. You will no longer have to worry as much about an odd smell being released out of your locker after not opening it for a week.

Regarding the safety of the new lockers, the locks and security of the lockers will be around the same. According to Sanchez, the school's security guards are trusted to prevent break-ins and theft in the locker room.

"We believe this team won't let this happen [regarding stealing things from lockers]. One of the main jobs of the security guards is to keep these lockers safe," Sanchez explains.

"I think they'll be bigger and more convenient for all of you guys," Sanchez says. The renovation of the lockers was estimated to be finished by January 7th.