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**City of Augusta opens new playground at Eisenhower Athletic Complex & Park**

**AUGUSTA, GA (Sept. 24, 2021)** – The City of Augusta has opened a new playground at Eisenhower Athletic Complex & Park, located at 1488 Eisenhower Dr.

The Park's original 22-year-old playground was decommissioned in October 2020 due to its age and safety concerns. However, after receiving community input and undergoing review of Augusta Parks & Recreation, the City of Augusta invested nearly \$60,000 for the installment of a new modular playground unit.

"Playgrounds contribute so much to a community's welfare, and we are excited to offer residents a new recreational space that will benefit all park users as well as provide a safe venue for parents to bring their children," said Augusta Parks & Recreation Director Maurice McDowell.

The new playground is open and ready for use. Media interested in covering this event should contact Danielle Harris at [dharris@augustaga.gov](mailto:dharris@augustaga.gov) or call 706-564-3460.

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