

PRECAST CONCRETE WITHSTANDS EVERYDAY USE... AND NOT SO EVERYDAY USE

All structures and buildings are subject to everyday wear and tear, and this is where the use of precast concrete really makes sense. Precast concrete's hard, tough surface is extremely resistant to everyday dents and dings. Sometimes everyday dents and dings are more than just "everyday."

On the evening of Saturday, October 10, 2020 an individual drove into the west side of the unoccupied gymnasium addition at Eden Prairie Schools Central Middle School, which is currently under construction. Immediately the next day, the Knutson Construction team was at the jobsite to meet with district staff to review the site and assess the damage, while also ensuring the facility was safe for school on Monday. That day they also repaired the site fencing and secured the area.

With a sense of urgency to repair the damage but allowing the project to remain on schedule and budget, the project team set forth to schedule structural engineer reviews, Wells Concrete engineer reviews, and on-site reviews with the insurance adjuster. Due to the collaboration, teamwork, and focus on a quick response by the project team and partners, the panel was replaced on October 21, just one week after receiving approval to proceed with the replacement from the insurance adjuster. All project team members were extremely responsive to this unfortunate event and remedied the situation to not have any adverse delays to the project.

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DAMAGED PANELS BEFORE REPLACEMENT



PANELS AFTER REPLACEMENT

