

## Fields Get Sporty with Artificial Turf

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### Artificial Turf Keeps Teams on the Field

Remember how anxious the world seemed to be leading up to the Rio Olympics? Worries about whether or not the Olympic village would be ready in time were all over news headlines. This all just served to remind us that infrastructure plays a big role in sports. Without the right fields, athletes can't play. That's why artificial turf is getting so popular in schools, stadiums, and other sports venues across the world. Real grass fields need to be maintained constantly. Doing so is costly. They also may not be safe to play on in poor weather. Artificial turf, on the other hand, rarely needs lawn care. It also stays in great shape in all sorts of weather. Real grass just isn't the most reliable option for teams. Artificial turf ensures that players of any sport have a surface that is best for their needs. That's why [Watersavers Turf](#) offers the best faux grass products for any sports field.

### Synthetic Turf Fields Save the Planet

With the rise of the green movement, everyone is trying to do their part for the planet. This includes sports teams and schools. Rather than playing on grass fields, they're opting for synthetic turf instead. Because synthetic turf doesn't need to be watered, it doesn't use up one of our valuable resources. As people in the San Francisco Bay Area know, this is especially important during a drought. As more and more teams, schools, and venues try to find ways to go green, the benefits of synthetic turf have become clearer and clearer.

### High School Athletics Going Strong

Anyone who has worked for a school district knows the stress of making budget cuts. Schools need to save money where they can, but they also need to offer students the chance to succeed in all areas of life. That means not letting sports programs fall by the wayside.

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Luckily, in places like Dayton, OH, they haven't forgotten the importance of athletics. At Oakwood High School, they just broke ground on a new stadium which they hope to complete by the spring. It will be a place for soccer, field hockey, track, and lacrosse teams to practice and play. With the American field hockey team scoring big at the Olympics this year, it's a good thing students interested in the sport will have a chance to try it out.

One of the key features of the new stadium at Oakwood High School is the faux grass field. For districts in need of more money, this can be a big saver in the long run. While some schools might want to give their students a place to practice almost any sport, they might also know that building a new field is a big investment. The cost of installing it is only a small part of the money concerns. Upkeep costs can add up quite a bit over the years. Keeping the field safe means hiring a crew to maintain it. Keeping it watered raises bills. Repairing it when damaged can add unexpected costs too.

Fake grass can solve these problems. Now schools can add a new field knowing the cost of building it is all they have to consider. These fields are great for many different types of sports, and they don't take a lot of money to maintain.

## **Practice Makes Perfect**

For some students, sports offer them a chance to go to college. Maybe they will even realize their dreams of playing in the pro leagues. But getting to that point means getting as much practice as possible.

The problem is, if the weather makes a school's field unsafe for practices, coaches often have to cancel them. This used to be a problem for Rob Black, coach of the football team at Fulton High School.

After the school had put in a new faux grass field, things changed. After a rainstorm, Black said, "We go back out to the field. It wasn't flooded. It wasn't soft. It was the same as when we started practice. It's [Wednesday], and already five times [during fall camp] it has poured rain while or right before we practiced. It hasn't affected us at all. We kept on going."

Black is just one of many coaches who know that fake grass lets their teams get all the practice they need. For some students out there, it may just be the key to their future.

Whether you work for a school district in the SF Bay Area, or you just want to install a sports field somewhere that will stand the test of time, Watersavers Turf has the product for you. We'll happily provide the right material for your idea, as well as everything you need to install it. Find a [location](#) near you to get started, or call us at 844-974-8873 for more info. For more newsletters, remember to "Like" our [Facebook page](#), or download them at [www.watersaversturf.biz](http://www.watersaversturf.biz).