This winter, NJIT breaks ground on a 200,000-square-foot, $102-million, multi-purpose building that will accommodate the rapid growth of the school’s athletic department, student body, and campus community. The Wellness and Events Center, which features a new, state-of-the-art basketball arena, is set to open in 2017.

The 3,500-seat basketball arena will compare favorably with many Division I mid-major facilities throughout the country, allowing NJIT to continue to grow its basketball program.

In addition to the arena and a number of conference, academic and community facilities, the building will house a natatorium, locker rooms, indoor track, concessions, suites and offices. The WEC will have many other amenities, just some of which include:

- A 25-meter swimming pool with diving area
- A fitness center with cardio equipment and weights
- Lounges, study areas and multipurpose rooms
- Indoor turf space measuring 10,000 square feet
- Two practice courts for intramural and intercollegiate sports
- A running track that will encircle the concourse of the first-floor arena
- Expanded floor space will host campus events and professional conferences

The WEC will be three stories high and its north side will be all windows, through which natural light will flood into the building. The windows will overlook the new athletic field.