

# R.B. STALL HIGH SCHOOL, NORTH CHARLESTON, SC

## PROJECT CASE STUDY



GEARBOSS TEAM CARTS™, X-CARTS™ AND SHELVING

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ULTRASTOR™ STORAGE CABINETS



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## CHALLENGE

Provide storage and equipment solutions for athletic and music departments at new high school.

## WENGER SOLUTION

Designing optimal configuration of storage carts, shelving and cabinets to suit athletic and music storage rooms. Furnishing innovative, high-quality music equipment that enhances rehearsals and performances. Coordinating delivery timing and expert installation with project schedule.

## BENEFITS

- Easy access and improved organization for athletic uniforms and gear
- High-density carts maximize limited storage space
- Open-air design aids equipment drying, enhancing sanitation
- Lockable storage secures valuable equipment and instruments
- Durable music stands deliver reliable performance
- Ergonomic chairs promote proper posture, reduce slouching

## HIGHLIGHTS

“Durability and ease of use were the two biggest reasons we chose GearBoss®,” explains Larry Adkins, Assistant Principal at R.B. Stall High School in North Charleston, SC.

“We wanted something that would last and GearBoss was the most durable option we could find. The way GearBoss carts move and access to them are both really easy.”

At this new school building, one large storage room contains equipment for both physical education and varsity athletics – including football, soccer, track, golf, baseball, softball and wrestling. Along with GearBoss Shelving, the room features eight GearBoss X-Carts™.

“With GearBoss, everything is accessible in one place, right at your reach,” says Johnny Boykin, Athletic Director and Football Coach. “You can see what you’re looking for before you look for it – it’s almost like a walk-in closet.” At other schools, he recalls needing to reach over or behind boxes to find things.

Boykin believes space utilization is a big issue in schools and he thinks the GearBoss system uses space very effectively.

“Sanitation is also very important in athletic facilities today,” Boykin explains. “Air is free-flowing through the GearBoss carts and shelving – I think that’s really important.” He says hanging items separately helps maintain the quality of the fabric and equipment, rather than storing uniforms folded up or just piling items in a corner.

Another benefit of the GearBoss carts is increased security. Even when the storage room is open, the locked carts remain secure and only accessible by coaches with keys.

In the school’s music department, increased security from lockable instrument storage cabinets is an important benefit appreciated by Director of Bands Oscar Wright. He previously worked at other schools where homemade wooden shelves were used; he says lack of security was a major issue.

“Kids can be kids – inevitably things would get moved or come up missing,” Wright recalls. “Our Wenger cabinets enable students to keep their instruments and belongings safe – they’re holding up really well.”

Wright says the Music Library System makes it much faster and easier to manage and find sheet music, compared with traditional file



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cabinets. “With file cabinets you have to pull out drawers and search, search, search,” he remarks. Along with its concert and marching bands, R.B. Stall High School recently started a jazz band. Three Music Library units are located in a room near the percussion storage area.

To hold sheet music during rehearsals and performances, students use Preface™ and RoughNeck® music stands. “These stands are good quality – they’re quite durable,” remarks Wright. “I’ve used stands from other companies that didn’t hold up very long.”

While the Wenger music stands are maintaining a consistent height and position, Student Chairs are helping ensure proper posture for musicians. “Students have to sit up – they cannot slouch back or slouch over,” he notes.

As the director, Wright really enjoys the Conductor’s System. “It helps me stay organized because I can keep my books on the shelf underneath the music stand,” he comments, adding that the podium easily wheels to the auditorium for concerts.

In conclusion, Assistant Principal Adkins sums up the school’s overall satisfaction like this: “We’ve had no concerns with anything from Wenger – the products speak for themselves in terms of quality.”

## PRODUCT LIST

Athletic Department: GearBoss® X-Carts™ with accessories including shoulder pad stackers and helmet hangers. GearBoss® Shelving with work surface and lock box.

Music Suite: UltraStor™ Instrument Storage Cabinets, Music Library System, Student Chairs, Preface™ and RoughNeck® Music Stands, and Versalite® Seated Risers.