

HHS TV production department welcomes new equipment

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Three news cameras and several other pieces are part of a generous gift welcomed by Holyoke High School's TV production department.

Colorado Springs' KKTV 11 has been in the process of moving to a new station and updating to HD and robotic cameras, so they needed to find a new home for some of their equipment.

Christopher Fleming, assistant chief engineer at KKTV, has ties to northeastern Colorado because his wife is from Julesburg. He recently connected with Cindi Beavers, HHS TV production teacher, who told him they could certainly put the equipment to good use at Holyoke High School.

Beavers and her family hauled the large equipment to Holyoke from Colorado Springs Saturday, Jan. 26, with a couple hours of unloading help by TV production students.

Three large cameras, an anchor desk, large sound board, monitors and lights all found a new home at Holyoke High School.



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TV production students Kody Timm and Andres Quintana Mendoza get behind the camera, testing out the new equipment in the HHS television studio.□□

—Enterprise photo

“The new equipment will give students skills that can be used in real life jobs, starting with problem solving and critical thinking skills to learn how to operate new equipment and then to actually use the equipment in a live broadcast,” said Beavers.

She said the new equipment will mainly be used for use in the school’s television studio until they have synthesized the full use of its mobility. Some of the equipment, like the lights, will also be installed in the HHS auditorium.

Because the new equipment meant a great deal of remodeling, rewiring and resetting of the whole studio, Bob Heldenbrand and Arlan Scholl were there to help set things up.

When everything is up and running, Beavers and the TV production department would like to invite the community to an open house to see the studio, witness what they do behind the scenes and understand what it takes to make a live production happen.

HHS TV production department broadcasts all sporting events, choir/band concerts and Phillips County Arts Council productions on KHHS Channel 13, which is available through the PC Telcom cable line up offered in seven communities.

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