

**Case History: New Gym Floor Means It's Time For New Wood - for the Bleachers, that is!**

***Situation: Brookfield Central School in Brookfield, NY underwent a complete gym rehab recently. This included a new wood floor, lights, wall padding, basketball backstops, painting etc. The gym bleachers were removed prior to commencing work and relocated to a temporary storage trailer. The Bleacherman refurbished the understructure, painted the decks and installed new wood seats and risers. Now the gym is completely refurbished from top to bottom.***



Brookfield Central School is a consolidated school district in rural central New York. The gym rehab occurred during the late winter/early spring.



Four-row high Hussey® telescopic bleachers were removed from the gym and stored prior to commencing work on the gym floor refurbishment.



Picture shows the total renovation of the gym in process. Walls are partially painted, the floor was recently installed, but not finished.



Bleachers were removed from storage and relocated to the gym, one section at a time. The Bleacherman works year-round to accommodate school schedules, regardless of weather conditions.



Bleacher sections on dollies in the gym, prior to beginning work on the bleacher understructure.



Picture shows a bleacherman cleaning bleacher wheels with a wire brush, to make sure they are clean and free from debris, before they touch the new gym floor.



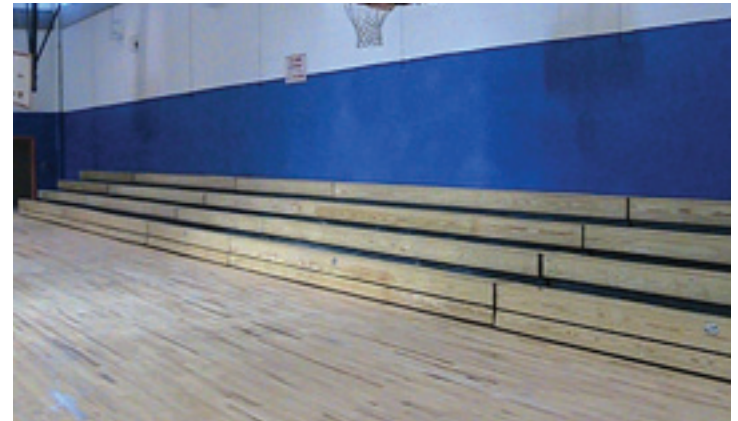
Here the bleacher section has been lifted off the dollys, and removal of old lumber has begun. This provides easy access to the closed deck system.



Here the closed decks are being cleaned and sanded in preparation for painting. Two applications of floor & deck enamel are applied to the existing plywood decks.



A bleacherman is applying the final coat on the decks. These sections have been reattached to the wall. Note the plastic drop cloth protecting the new floor.



The finished bleachers are open and closed for inspection, and to verify proper operation. The Bleacherman maintains an extensive inventory of Southern Yellow Pine lumber, with a complete wood shop to manufacture any piece, of any length or shape, that may be needed up to 20 ft. in length.



New wood complements the new gym floor. Painted decks in a contrasting color help people with limited depth perception to enter and exit the bleachers. New hardware completes the look for an "as-new" appearance.



The refinished bleachers in the full closed position. Note the even row spacings -- these bleachers look brand new, and work that way too.