

Library approves sale of Deaf School to Cristo Rey

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Cristo Rey Columbus High School is one step closer to moving downtown.

The Columbus Metropolitan Library board of trustees voted on March 14, morning to sell the Ohio School for the Deaf building, 400 E. Town St., to the new Catholic high school that is set to open for the first time this fall.

Cristo Rey's board of trustees must now approve the sale price of \$1 million.

The library will retain the land and related portion of the parking lot between Main Library, 96 S. Grant Ave., and Topiary Park, connecting the library to a significant outdoor asset and green space.

The library spent \$2.16 million for the grounds at Grant and Town, and the old school building, Jan. 30.

The local Cristo Rey, the 26th school in the national network, will open its doors this fall to an incoming freshmen class. The school will add a class each of the following three years.

The first new Catholic High School to open in central Ohio since the 1960s, Cristo Rey will remain in its current Near West Side location at 840 W. State St., until the 2014-15 school year, while the old Deaf School building is renovated.

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