

West Haven Springs Into Action



Students at Bailey Junior High School in West Haven play volleyball under greatly improved lighting conditions.

The **City of West Haven (CT)** partnership has sprung into action with plans to achieve \$500,000 in annual savings with a \$3 million investment in efficiency improvements to City schools, municipal buildings and public housing units. The first phase, which addressed lighting upgrades to athletic facilities in seven schools, has been completed. The investment of \$141,000 in high-efficiency fluorescent lighting and high-pressure sodium and metal halide upgrades to gymnasiums and swimming pools facilities in six City schools will yield annual savings of \$34,000, according to partnership leader **Abdul Quadir**, City Engineer for West Haven. The City of West Haven partnership has entered into a performance contract to fund the improvements.

The partnership will undertake lighting retrofits and mechanical systems upgrades to all 13 schools, which represent 1 million square feet, this summer. It is presently working on lighting and mechanical upgrades to four municipal buildings representing 200,000 square feet. As part of its work with the West Haven Public Housing Authority, the partnership is testing a boiler control device that can achieve 10 to 20 percent energy savings in more than 600 City-owned housing units.