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# NEW FRONTIERS UPDATE August 2023

It's an honor and privilege for me to be back in Stillwater and rejoin the OSU Agriculture family as vice president and dean. I am thrilled to have the opportunity to help create an impact for the Ferguson College of Agriculture, OSU Extension and OSU Ag Research, and serve the people of our state.

I plan to spend the next few months listening and learning about strategic opportunities for the future. Some of my focus areas include ensuring a high level of student outcomes, creating transformative experiences for our students, and improving agricultural productivity and sustainability throughout the state. In addition, providing diversification opportunities and adding value to agricultural commodities to generate more economic returns is vital for producers in rural communities.

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Agriculture family to ensure a seamless transition to our new home and maintain the vibrant sense of community we've come to expect and love about OSU.





I recently toured the New Frontiers construction site to see the progress firsthand. I've viewed the plans for the facility, but to see the building in person is awe-inspiring. The hard hat tour gave me a deeper appreciation for just how fantastic the building is going to be. It truly is a student-facing friendly building that will provide a transformative experience at OSU.

If you're interested in participating in a hard hat tour, OSU Agriculture in partnership with the OSU Foundation is offering four tour opportunities before the Kansas State vs. Oklahoma State football game on Oct. 6. Please RSVP by completing the <a href="New Frontiers hard hat tour form">New Frontiers hard hat tour form</a> and selecting your tour-time preference.

Together, we are embarking on New Frontiers!

Jayson Lusk

Vice President and Dean

**OSU** Agriculture

# **Building Progress**

Click on each photo for more information and additional building progress images.

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# **Time-lapse Video**

View the progress made during the previous month in the time-lapse video below.



#### **Drone Video**

View the drone video below of building construction taken in early August 2023.

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# **Facility Fast Fact**

The **cutting-edge** New Frontiers Agricultural Hall will feature **13** curriculum-specific and shared **teaching and computer laboratories**.





#### **Featured News**

The OSU Agriculture family welcomes Jayson Lusk to campus to begin his appointment as vice president and dean. Dr. Lusk is eager to provide leadership for the Ferguson College of Agriculture, OSU Extension and OSU Ag Research.

Watch a Video Message from Dr. Lusk

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Karen Poindexter became a New Frontiers major gift donor because of her late husband's devotion to education and agriculture. She named the Quantitative Analysis Teaching Lab in the new building in memory of her husband, John Poindexter.



**Read More about the Poindexters** 



### **September 16 | 3-6 p.m.**

Join fellow alumni and friends to celebrate the construction progress of the New Frontiers Agricultural Hall and to meet Jayson Lusk, vice president and dean of OSU Agriculture, on Sept. 16 from 3-6 p.m. Enjoy a special happy hour with Dr. Lusk from 4:30-5:30 p.m. with a sweet treat from Larry & Kay's Dairy Bar!

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Stadium. Please RSVP by Sept. 13 by calling 405-385-5655 or emailing events@osugiving.com.



The New Frontiers campaign has raised more than \$50 million, reaching the fundraising goal in record time! Click the button below to learn more about New Frontiers, including building features, donor stories, how you can support the project and more.

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