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NEW FRONTIERS UPDATE

May 2023

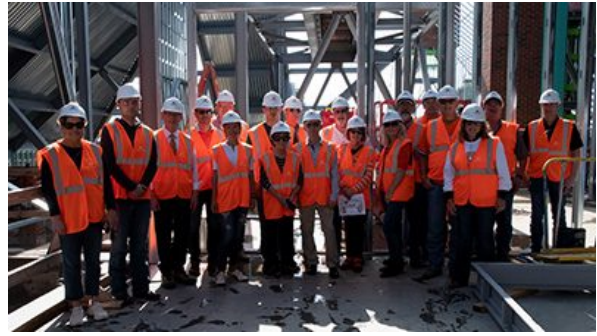
Another school year has come and gone, and the Ferguson College of Agriculture awarded degrees to more than 500 students graduating in spring and summer. The college continues to produce the next generation of talented leaders in agriculture and natural resources. With the New Frontiers Agricultural Hall construction well underway and its opening scheduled in a little more than a year, our future is as bright as ever. The building will help attract top-quality students and faculty and will foster collaboration and innovation in teaching, research and Extension to advance our land-grant mission. I encourage you to read the recently published STATE magazine article that highlights how [New Frontiers will benefit OSU Extension programs](#).

Last month, we celebrated the second anniversary of the groundbreaking in the [Construction Annual Report](#). It seems like yesterday we were removing the parking lot and Ag North to make room for the footprint of the new building. Now, two years after breaking ground, the exterior

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while progress continues on the placement of the multitude of windows. Workers are moving counterclockwise around the building, mainly working on the east side, and are about 50% complete with windows. Once the building is dried in with the finished roof and windows, the installation of drywall will begin in late summer.

In early May, we hosted a group of donors for a hard hat tour, including the Ingersoll family, who are cornerstone donors, as well as members of P&K Equipment and those connected to John Deere. We were fortunate to have Kay Ingersoll's grandson, a future Ferguson College of Agriculture student, join us and tour alongside a cornerstone donor. Participants got to see the locations of their named spaces firsthand and view the building's progress. The last stop on the tour was a group photo on the roof. The view from the top is quite a sight! Click the pictures below to view the photo gallery from the recent tour.



Fundraising efforts continue even though we reached the \$50 million fundraising goal. Various naming opportunities are still available in the building, including features that will only be possible through additional donor support. Please contact me or [Heidi Williams](#) with the OSU Foundation if you know of anyone who would like to participate in a naming opportunity.

Together, we are embarking on New Frontiers!

Thomas G. Coon
Vice President and Dean
OSU Agriculture

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TIME-LAPSE VIDEO

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



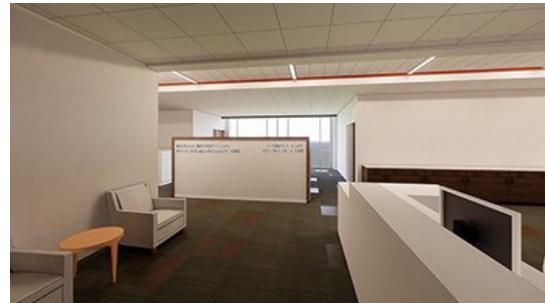
DRONE VIDEO

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



FACILITY FAST FACT

The building will include **departmental suites** created to reduce redundancy and increase the efficiency of operations. A total of **six academic departments** and **three programs and institutes** are in the shared suites.



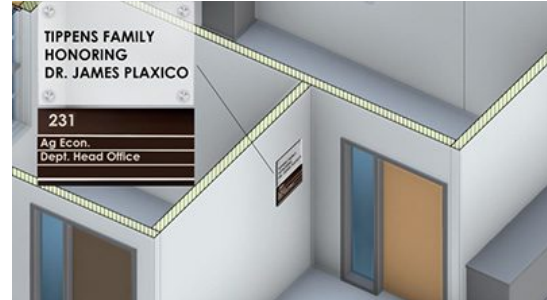
FEATURED NEWS

Construction of the New Frontiers Agricultural Hall reached the topping-out milestone as a bright orange beam with signatures was installed in the new home for OSU Agriculture.

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FEATURED DONOR

For Terry Tippens, a 1968 OSU agricultural economics graduate, becoming a New Frontiers major gift donor is a way to give back to the university. He named a space in the New Frontiers Agricultural Hall in recognition of the agricultural economics program that benefited him so much.

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NEW FRONTIERS

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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