



AGRICULTURE



NEWS AND UPDATES

July 2025

July is a vibrant time in OSU Agriculture, filled with events and milestones that showcase the strength of our land-grant mission in action. This month, we welcomed hundreds of youth from across the state to engage in hands-on learning and deepen their understanding of animal science during the OSU Big 3 Field Days. It's always inspiring to see the next generation of agricultural leaders in action.

We also recently released the [2025 Wheat Variety Trial results](#), a critical resource for producers making decisions that impact their yields and livelihoods. These trials reflect the hard work of our researchers and Extension specialists, and they underscore our commitment to providing science-based solutions that serve Oklahoma agriculture.

As we look ahead to the fall, I'm excited about the momentum we're building. Whether it's through innovative research, impactful outreach or transformative education, OSU Agriculture continues to lead with purpose.

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in orange ink that reads "Jayson Lusk".

Jayson Lusk

Dr. Lusk's Lens



Student Success

Dr. Lusk interacts with Ferguson College of Agriculture students in the Hilst Center for Student Success in Agricultural Hall. The space provides tools and opportunities for education, personal and professional growth.

Mission Focus

OSU Agriculture is comprised of the Ferguson College of Agriculture and two state agencies: OSU Ag Research and OSU Extension. Learn the latest from our three mission areas.



Teaching

Robert Terry Jr. receives the Ferguson College of Agriculture Dick and Malinda Berry Fischer Award for Teaching Excellence.



Research

A new trio of OSU wheat varieties, the OX varieties, might just be the food solution for consumers interested in fewer additives.



Extension

Oklahoma 4-H'ers participate in the 4-H Outdoor Adventure in Colorado, hiking scenic trails and tackling white-water rapids.

[Read More about](#)

[Read More about OX](#)

[Read More about 4-H](#)

Shaping Tomorrow Today, The Future is Now



Empower Stewardship of Natural Resources

OSU Agriculture is committed to empowering responsible stewardship of natural resources through a strategic focus on water, soil, rangelands, forests, fisheries, wildlife and fire management.

By advancing research and education in sustainable water use, OSU Agriculture aims to ensure the availability and quality of this vital resource for future generations. Through these efforts, OSU Agriculture strives to lead in the conscientious care and sustainable oversight of natural resources, ensuring their preservation and responsible use.

[Read More about OSU Agriculture Priorities](#)

Campus Pulse

Real-World Experience

Summer break means internships for Ferguson College of Agriculture students and getting hands-on experience in a variety of industries.



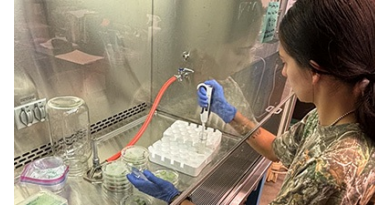
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Learning Lab



Blooming Success

Horticulture major Barrett Allen has found success in applying knowledge to real-world scenarios. When he's not learning new concepts in the classroom, Barrett is growing his business, a U-pick flower farm located outside of Ardmore, Oklahoma.

Since starting Dogwood Blooms in 2023, he continues taking what he's learning through the faculty and coursework in the OSU Department of Horticulture and Landscape Architecture to help his business thrive.

Hands that Help



State Volunteer Award Recipients

Congratulations to the Oklahoma 4-H volunteer award recipients!

Taylor Burke from Pittsburg County has been named the 2025 State Volunteer of the Year, and Josh Grundmann from Pottawatomie County has been honored as the 2025 State Lifetime Volunteer.

Voices from the Field



“SUNUP” - The Last Harvest

"SUNUP" tags along for a bittersweet wheat harvest at Schieber Farms in Kay County, Oklahoma, where lifelong farmer Don Schieber says it's time for him to retire.

Sow and Grow



“Oklahoma Gardening” - Daylily Research

“Oklahoma Gardening” Host, Casey Hentges, joins Langston University Associate Professor Kanyand Matand to learn about daylilies research.

Photo Spotlight



Local Blackberries

Freshly picked blackberries from N40 Berries in Stillwater — a sweet taste of summer and a perfect example of agritourism in action.

News & Events



Fighting Food Insecurity

Sophia Darrow, a horticulture graduate student, is conducting surveys centered around the barriers grocery stores face.

[Read More about Survey](#)



Harmon Joins NREM

Jason Harmon recently assumed the role as head of the OSU Department of Natural Resource Ecology and Management.

[Read More about Harmon](#)



Wheat Harvest Results

OSU annually conducts wheat variety trials across the state to show how different varieties respond to growing conditions.

[Read More about Results](#)



Panhandle Crops Field Day

Join us for a Field Day near Goodwell, covering key topics from irrigation to soil health and connect with experts in the field.

[Register by August 11](#)

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the lives of Oklahomans and the state's economy.

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