



# BUILDING BETTER FUTURES FOR ALL



The New College of Education Building

THERE ARE PIVOTAL JUNCTURES IN  
THE LIFE OF ORGANIZATIONS THAT  
CHANGE THEIR TRAJECTORY

**FOREVER.**



THE COMMONS

FOR AUBURN UNIVERSITY'S  
COLLEGE OF EDUCATION,  
THAT TIME IS

**NOW.**

The college is currently constructing a \$77 million facility that will include modern and collaborative classrooms, instructional laboratories, up-to-date technology, and administrative spaces for faculty and staff. Housing almost all of the college's faculty, students and programs, this new home for the College of Education will create more cohesive and meaningful experiences for students and faculty alike. In addition, there are multiple spaces that provide philanthropic naming opportunities for donors throughout the building.

Auburn's College of Education prepares graduates to lead in the areas of education and health, equipping the leaders of tomorrow to create the foundation for every other career. As we continue our commitment to excellence, this new facility will be a game changer.

**“Our new building will be more than research labs and classrooms — this facility will increase collaboration and engagement opportunities, add a strong sense of identity to the student experience, and facilitate greater interaction among our faculty and staff.”**

JEFFREY T. FAIRBROTHER  
Dean of Auburn's College of Education and  
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AN ENVIRONMENT

# FOCUSED

ON EDUCATION

Creating a student-centered facility has been at the forefront of planning for this new building. Currently, the College of Education is dispersed throughout six buildings on Auburn's campus — creating challenges to cultivating a comprehensive student experience and fostering a cohesive identity for the college.



MAKERSPACE

The 167,000-square-foot College of Education building will create a new home for the college, bringing almost all programming into a central location and ensuring that advising, multimedia technology, and independent study and collaboration areas are within reach of every student. While the School of Kinesiology will remain in its building, each department in the college will have designated space in the new facility to accommodate its instructional and research goals.

The facility will be designed to further elevate the Auburn student experience, create spaces for innovative research and discovery, and provide a central location for the Auburn Education family and alumni to network and collaborate. A key space in the facility will be the flexible common area that can transition into lecture, performance, banquet, and reception space to accommodate multiple needs and position the new building as a hub of activity that promotes student collaboration and facilitates increased interaction among faculty and staff.

## ***Enhancing Modern Teaching and Learning Methods***

Key features of the building include active learning spaces that provide hands-on opportunities for advanced learning; student-centered collaborative spaces; experiential learning and instructional laboratories that complement instruction and provide practical ways for students to prepare for internships and practicums; and innovative office concepts that turn faculty spaces into more than offices, allowing additional teaching and mentoring to take place outside of the classroom.



### ***Experiential Learning and Instructional Labs***

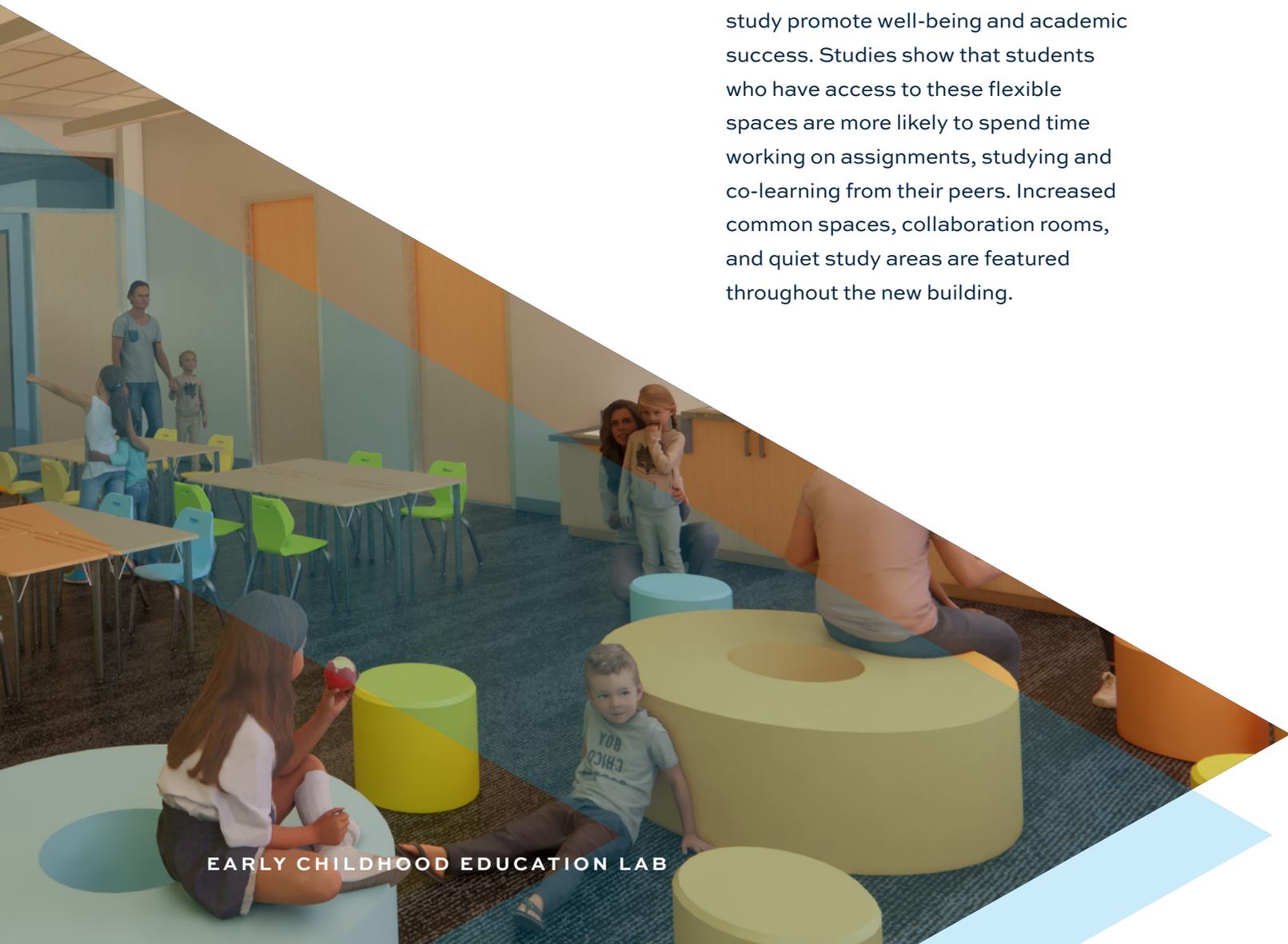
Experiential learning allows students to play an active role in the instructional process while engaging in hands-on opportunities that enable them to gain a better understanding of course material. Additionally, this approach allows students to immediately apply new knowledge and receive real-time feedback. This new facility will house innovative learning labs for all disciplines ranging from music education to early childhood to counseling and science education.

### ***Active Learning Spaces***

Active learning spaces provide students with the physical and mental freedom to broaden their thinking and creatively engage with new content. Opportunities for innovative learning beyond the textbook improve critical thinking skills, enhance the transfer of new information, and improve interpersonal skills. The new education facility will create active learning classrooms, flexible computer labs, maker spaces, multimedia rooms and other spaces that expand the learning process.

### ***Student-Centered Spaces***

Comfortable, open spaces that encourage collaboration, mentoring and group study promote well-being and academic success. Studies show that students who have access to these flexible spaces are more likely to spend time working on assignments, studying and co-learning from their peers. Increased common spaces, collaboration rooms, and quiet study areas are featured throughout the new building.



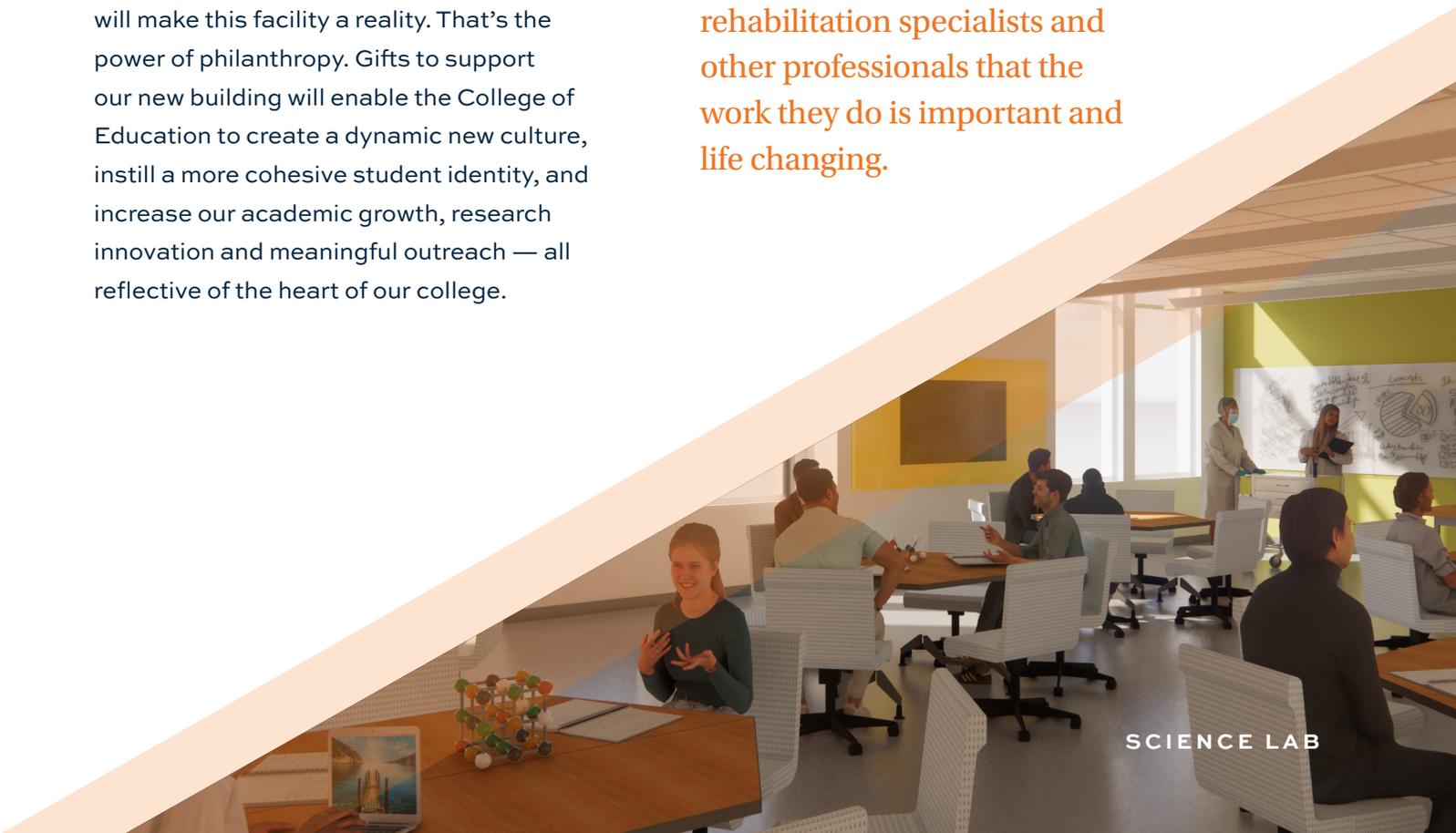
DOORS OPENED.  
OPPORTUNITIES CREATED.

# LIVES CHANGED.

In this contemporary facility, we will prepare education students to transform classrooms, school districts, healthcare, communities and families for generations to come. The future of education requires an innovative, research-based approach and our new facility creates the backdrop and resources fueling our dream to meet this challenge.

The support of those who share our vision will make this facility a reality. That's the power of philanthropy. Gifts to support our new building will enable the College of Education to create a dynamic new culture, instill a more cohesive student identity, and increase our academic growth, research innovation and meaningful outreach — all reflective of the heart of our college.

We invite you to help transform the way we equip tomorrow's leaders. Your investment in this building, in particular, in various naming opportunities within the facility, will demonstrate to our future teachers, administrators, counselors, rehabilitation specialists and other professionals that the work they do is important and life changing.



SCIENCE LAB



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