



## **Darr Difference Day and Dedication Ceremony**

A day of Ag Bears and Friends giving back to  
Missouri State University Darr College of Agriculture

### **Frequently Asked Questions**

#### **What is the purpose of Darr Difference Day service event?**

The goal of Darr Difference Day is to provide Ag Bears and Friends a fun opportunity to jump on a serve team at the Darr Agricultural Center in honor of Bill Darr's birthday. This event is only possible through your generous support of time! Here you'll find answers to the most commonly asked questions, however, if you still have questions, please don't hesitate to contact us!

#### **When and where is the event?**

Saturday, March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2026,

Check-in is from 8:00 AM – 9:30 AM

*On-site registration is available, but we can't guarantee a T-shirt in your size.*

The event concludes after lunch.

Darr Agricultural Center

2401 S. Kansas Expressway, Springfield, MO 65807

#### **Is there a registration deadline?**

We appreciate preregistration to prepare project teams, food, and T-shirts by March 1<sup>st</sup>, however, on-site registration is available.

#### **Who can attend?**

All Ag Bears, Friends, and Family are welcome to attend!

All children under 15 years must be accompanied by an adult over 18.

### **What is the parking situation?**

All participants need to park at the Bond Center and Ag Academy. Staff will be on site to direct traffic. A golf cart will shuttle guests to the Ag Innovation Hub for the Dedication Ceremony and Check-in site.



### **What should I wear or bring?**

Wear comfortable work clothes and close toe shoes. Please bring work gloves if you have them. Registered participants will receive a free T-shirt. You are welcome and encouraged to wear it on Saturday! It is a short-sleeved cotton maroon shirt with the DDD logo in white.

Please consider leaving personal belongings safely locked in your vehicle. If you need to carry some items, consider a small backpack or hip pack for free hands.

We will provide bottled water.

### **Will food/drinks be provided?**

Yes!

Coffee service and donuts will be available during check-in and the Dedication Ceremony.

Lunch will be provided at Noon for all Darr Difference Day participants.

The menu includes MO State Beef burgers, potato salad, baked beans, chips, and dessert with drinks.

### **What happens if it rains?**

The show will go on! We will have alternative projects planned to accommodate the weather. Please bring rain gear if you have it.

### **What is the schedule?**

- 8:00 AM – 9:30 AM Check-in and Registration Open at Ag Innovation Hub
- 9:00 AM - Dedication Ceremony and Ribbon Cutting for Small Animal Education Center and Ag Innovation Hub at Ag Innovation Hub Patio
- 9:30 AM - Serve Team Projects, teams meet in Small Animal Center parking lot
- 12:00 PM - Lunch provided by Darr College of Agriculture at Ag Innovation Hub

### **Tell me about the service projects...**

The farm management team will finalize projects depending on participation and need. Teams will be pre-assigned according to registration.

This is a tentative list and subject to change:

- Prepare blueberry planting with irrigation and weed barrier in Pecan Grove
- Bear Pantry Partnership - Pack Hygiene and Meal Kits for Students in Bond Center
- Landscaping
- French Drain at Bond Center
- Install "Bee Campus USA" garden signage at Bond Center
- Show Barn - Scrape and Re-Mulch
- Paint Gates
- South Creek Stream Clean
- Wash External Windows
- Power Wash
- Horse Pasture Clean-Up
- Clean and Organize Trophy Cabinets at Bond and Pinegar
- Change Feed Bunk Liners
- Create Shelter Animal Enrichment Blankets/Tools/Toys at Small Animal Ed Center
- Ag Academy Grounds

*If you need accommodations, please contact Carrie Crews and we'll make sure to assign you to a project matching your needs.*

### **Will there be photos taken?**

Yes! Our AG Communications team will be documenting the day with photography. Please contact Carrie Crews to opt out of capturing your image.

**Who do I contact for more information?**

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