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**Foundation for Vancouver Public Schools will Break Ground on New Building to Support  
Applied Trades at Skyview High School**

VANCOUVER, Wash. — On Tuesday, September 29, the Foundation for Vancouver Public Schools, VPS staff and students, and community partners will gather at Skyview High School for the groundbreaking of a new applied trades building.

Date: September 29, 2026

Time: 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Location: Skyview High School, 1300 NW 139th St, Vancouver, WA

The new facility will provide students with hands-on, experiential training in both construction trades and advanced manufacturing. The center aims to create a pool of skilled workers ready to contribute to the region's ongoing economic growth upon graduation.

Fully-funded through a partnership between the Endeavour Fund and Ed & Dollie Lynch Fund, the building is projected to open to students in late 2027.

This is the third entirely donor-funded Trades building at a VPS school facilitated by the Foundation for VPS. The first was the Endeavour Technical Trades Center at Hudson's Bay High School, followed by the Ed Lynch Trades Center at Fort Vancouver High School.

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The Foundation for Vancouver Public Schools is an independent, 501(c)3 educational non-profit corporation established in 1988 to support Vancouver Public Schools (VPS). Governed by a volunteer board of directors made up of business, community, and education leaders, the foundation creates opportunities to cultivate and inspire student success. As an educational non-profit entity, the foundation serves students at all 40 VPS schools and programs, providing direct aid to students facing learning barriers due to economic need, as well as financial assistance for learning enrichment and mentoring programs that cannot be funded by the school district. The Foundation for VPS is supported by donations from school employees, parents, students, community members, businesses and foundations.