



Marshfield Agricultural Research Station

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UW Marshfield Ag Research Station— Welcome Guide for Working at MARS

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General Information

Office Business Hours:

7:30 am to 4:30 pm Monday through Friday

New to the MARS Station?

Check in at the main office (Building A). If you are planning a trip to MARS, let Ashley or Will know of your visit plans.

Internet Access:

Wi-Fi is available station wide. All buildings, pastures, and most research plots connect seamlessly. The Wi-Fi password is available, upon request.

Breakrooms (refrigerators and microwaves):

- Shop (Building B)
- Dairy (Building K)

Restrooms:

- Administrative Building (Building A)
- Shop (Building B)
- Milking Parlor (Building K; includes showers)
- Feed Center (Building E; shower, washer and dryer)

Fill your Water Bottle:

Drinking water is available in the shop, feed center, and dairy.

Agronomy Research

Contact : Ashley Blackburn, 715.650.7451

- Contact Ashley when you plan to visit the station. If you need anything done with your plots, inform Ashley.
- If harvesting, let Ashley know. MARS staff will clean up after plot harvest to remove crop biomass lying in the field or on the grass.
- Due to pending staff changes, include Ashley Blackburn on all emails concerning plot research.

Livestock Research

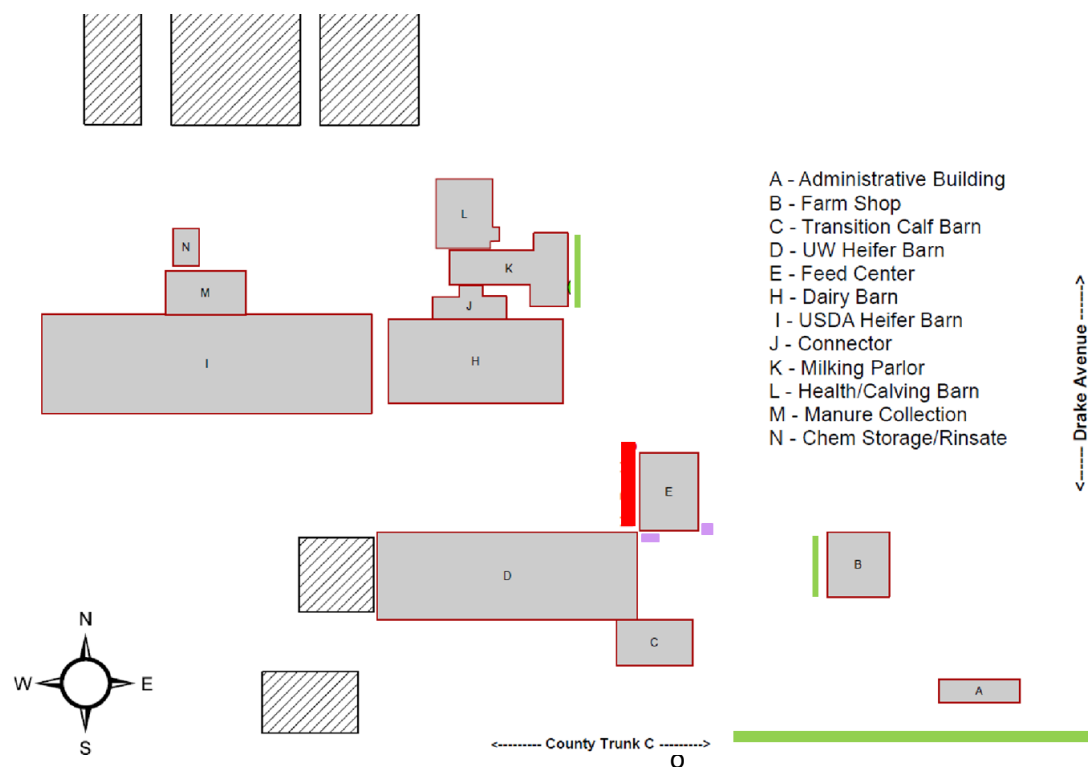
Contact: Will Cordes, 715.650.7429

- Site-specific boots must be worn prior to entry in barns. Disposable boots are available in the Feed Center (Building E) office.
- Boot washes and disinfectant are located in the Feed Center (Building E) and Dairy Parlor (Building K). Non-disposable boots must be cleaned and disinfected prior to entering barns. Boots must be cleaned before entering breakrooms and bathrooms.
- Changing area/locker rooms are located in the Feed Center (Building E) and the Dairy Parlor breakroom (Building K).
- *Good to know*—Mondays are veterinary herd health day. MARS staff will be working with the veterinarian, usually in all cattle barns.



Building Layout

Parking - Do not park vehicles in the UTV lane (**red** zone). If picking up or dropping samples/supplies or changing your clothes in the feed center changing room (Bldg E), park in the **green** or **purple** zones. If parking in a **purple** zone, be mindful of tractor/mixer activity in and out of the feed center. **Green** zones by the parlor (Bldg K), in front of the scale by the shop (Bldg B), or by the pasture in the grass and are recommended for long-term parking.



Work Safe—What you should know when working at MARS

- **Speed limit** on station grounds is 15 mph.
- **Safety eyewashes** are located in the shop (Bldg B), feed center (Bldg E), milk house (Bldg K), and surgery room (Bldg L).
- **Safety showers** are located in the shop (Building B) and Feed Center (Building E)
- Please be responsible for your own **PPE**. However, if you have forgotten something, PPE is available upon request.
- **Rain gear** is available upon request.
- Prior to working in fields, researchers, students and staff must have training in **Worker Protection Standard (WPS)**. A training schedule is available online at **CALS Safety**, <https://safety.cals.wisc.edu/cals-safety-training/>
- Two **AED's** are onsite. Located In the shop breakroom (Building B) and in the Dairy Hallway (Building K)
- **Pesticides** are used at MARS. A central posting board is located outside of the farm shop (Building B).

How Was Your Visit?

Thank you for visiting the Marshfield Agricultural Research Station. Please take a moment to fill out a quick survey to let us know how your visit was. Use the QR code to access the survey.

