



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 milkhouse.

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.
- Include Ashley Blackburn on all emails concerning plot research.
- When staking plots, use wood or plastic stakes/flags. Wire-staked flagging is not allowed in fields.

Livestock Research

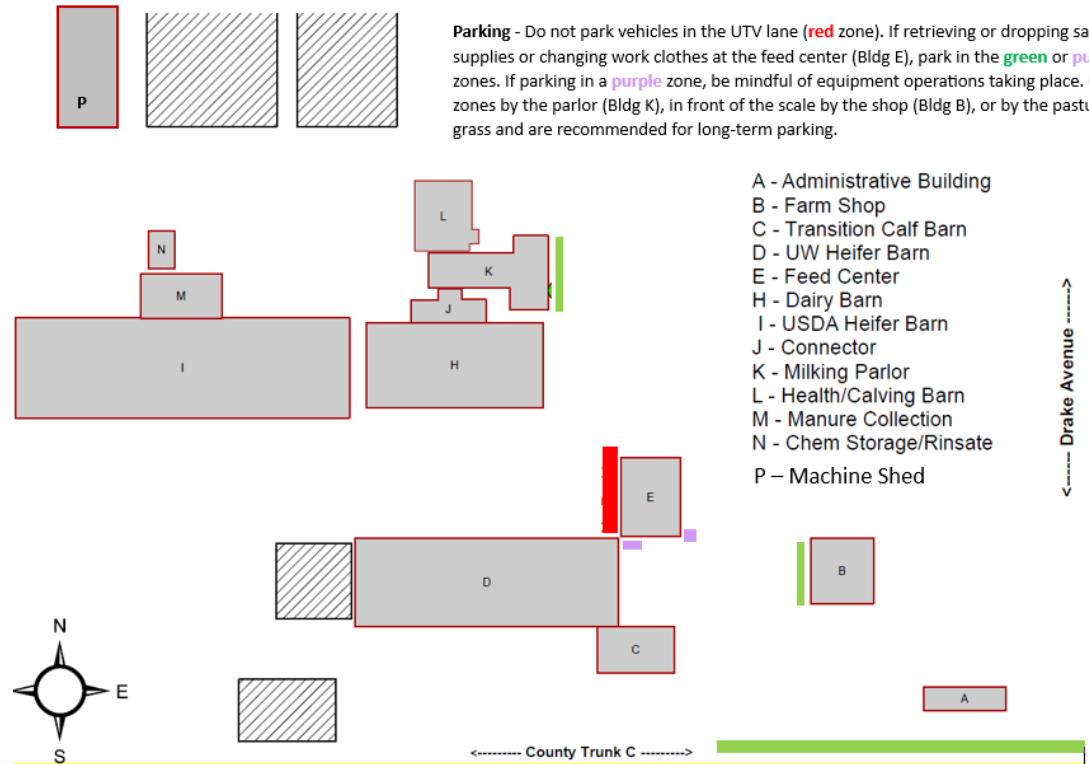
Contact: Will Cordes, 715.650.7429

- 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 herd health day—mornings are busy with the veterinarian in all cattle barns..
- Refrigerators and freezers for agricultural and study samples are available. Let us know if you need one.



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).
- **Emergency/Urgent Care Facility** is located at 611 N Saint Joseph Ave., Marshfield. About 10 miles from MARS.



Facility Repair Request Form

Did you notice something in need of repair during your visit? Let us know. Fill out this online form and we'll take care of it.

