

## **BGHS Construction Reaches New Heights with Topping Out Ceremony**

Bowling Green City Schools celebrated an important milestone on August 6, 2026 as crews installed the final and highest truss of the new Bowling Green High School's structural frame. The occasion was marked with a traditional "topping out" ceremony. With an evergreen tree and an American flag attached, the truss was slowly lifted by a crane and guided into position. Ironworkers then secured the final piece of steel into place.

Topping out is a centuries-old construction tradition that recognizes the completion of a building's structural frame, celebrates the skilled tradespeople who performed the work and looks ahead to the building's future. The evergreen tree traditionally represents the structural phase was completed safely, as well as growth, resilience and good fortune for those who will occupy the building. It also serves as a visual thank-you to the ironworkers, carpenters and other tradespeople whose work created the building's framework. The American flag represents civic pride, community and the hard work of the construction crew. Together, the tree and flag marked the completion of this phase of construction and another significant step toward welcoming students, staff and the community into the new high school in August 2027.

Thank you to the construction team and all those whose expertise, dedication and careful work continue to bring the new Bowling Green High School to life!



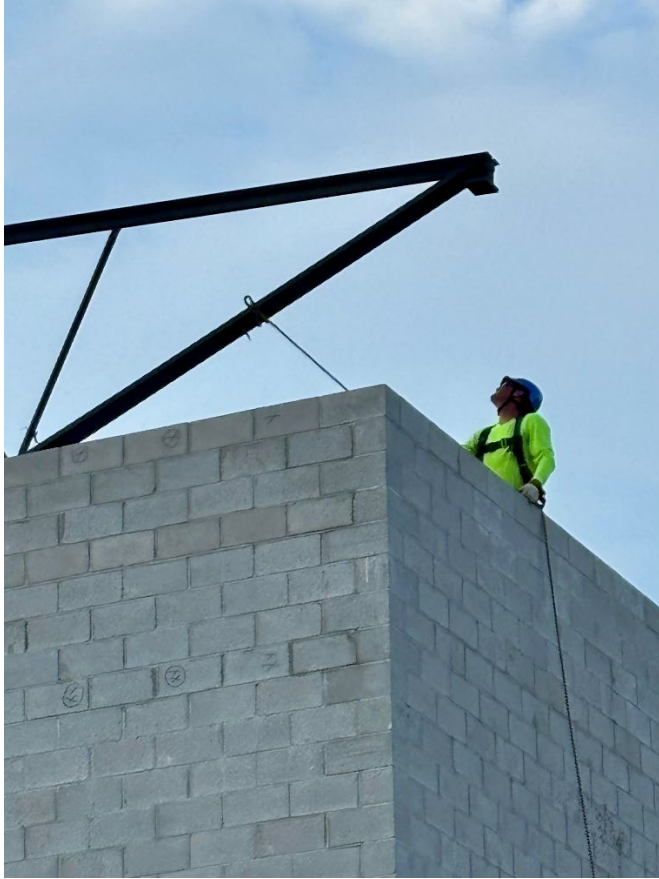
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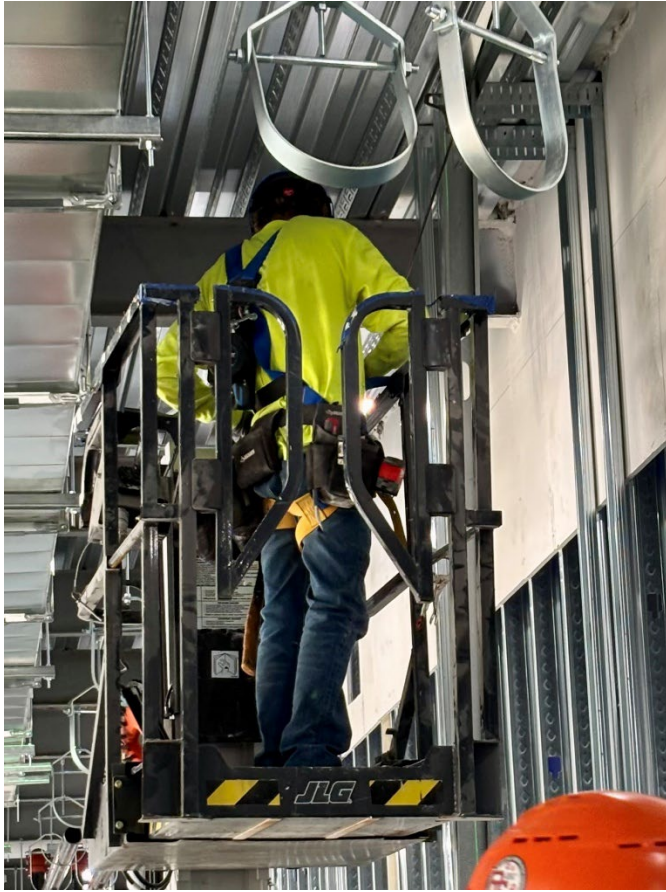
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