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# College of Eastern Idaho Celebrates Topping Out Ceremony for Future Tech Building



The final structural beam of Future Tech being installed.

IDAHO FALLS, Idaho — College of Eastern Idaho (CEI) reached a major milestone in the construction of its Future Tech Building with a **Topping Out Ceremony** held on Tuesday, February 18. This tradition, signifying the placement of the final structural beam, brought together students, faculty, donors, community members, and industry partners to celebrate the continued growth of CEI's campus.

Attendees had the unique opportunity to sign the final beam

before it was hoisted into place, leaving their mark on the Future Tech Building. The event honored the dedication and hard work of the construction team and the many stakeholders who have contributed to this transformative project.

Following the ceremony, guests gathered for conversation about the impact the Future Tech Building will have on CEI and the region. Once completed, this state-of-the-art facility will serve as a hub for workforce education, providing cutting-edge training opportunities in high-demand fields.

"Yes, it's a physical structure, but it's also about building opportunities." said Lori Barber, President of CEI. "At CEI, we build people, we build places, and we build opportunities. This building is a tangible representation of all of that - ceremony who we are and what we're striving to accomplish."

The Future Tech Building will support CEI's mission to expand access to innovative, hands-on education, equipping students with the skills needed to excel in today's workforce. An official grand opening is anticipated in summer 2026.



Rendering of Future Tech Building

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# About College of Eastern Idaho

College of Eastern Idaho (CEI, formerly EITC) offers associate degrees, technical certificates, and workforce training programs to help students achieve their educational and career goals. With a focus on affordability, accessibility, and student success, CEI is dedicated to providing high-quality education and training to the residents of eastern Idaho. Visit <a href="https://cei.edu">https://cei.edu</a> for more information.