

Tuesday, March 12, 2024 at 09:00:22 Eastern Daylight Time

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**Subject:** Dean's Update  
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**From:** CFAES Office of the Vice President and Dean  
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CFAES Community,

Thank you to everyone who reached out regarding the tornado damage at the Molly Caren Agricultural Center on Feb. 28, 2024. While we sustained some damage, CFAES is fully committed to hosting Farm Science Review on schedule, Sept. 17-19, 2024, with either new or temporary facilities in place for the event. [Learn more.](#)

The search process for Associate Dean and Director of OSU Extension and Chair, Department of Extension is moving forward. The position description and direct link to the Workday posting are now available at: <https://cfaes.osu.edu/people/leadership-searches>. We invite our CFAES community to share the position description within your networks. For questions about administrative searches, please reach out to Senior Associate Dean Tracy Kitchel (.2).

Join us for the CFAES Awards and State of the College on Friday, April 5. The events will be held in person on the Columbus campus with a watch party being held on the CFAES Wooster campus. A live-streaming option will also be available. The CFAES Awards will be held from 9-10:30 a.m., with a reception from 10:30-11 a.m. (for those attending in person in Columbus or Wooster), followed by the State of the College from 11-11:30 a.m. If you plan to join in person or attend the watch party, [RSVP](#) by March 22.

Ohio State's [Lifestyle Spending Account \(LSA\)](#) reimburses employees up to \$125 quarterly for eligible expenses related to health, fitness, family, emotional and social wellness. The first quarter ends March 31. Employees have until April 15 to submit reimbursement request documentation for eligible expenses incurred January 1, 2024 – March 31, 2024. Unused LSA funds do not carry over to the following quarter. Health Equity, the university's LSA administrator, will send a reminder email to those with LSA balances.

Sincerely,  
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