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Bates tops out \$44M health education building

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The Walsh Group recently placed the last major concrete slab for the \$43.7 million Center for Allied Health Education in Tacoma for Bates Technical College, effectively topping off the building.

The slab was poured at the north half of the level five roof. The 64,000-square-foot building is under construction at South 13th Street and South Yakima Avenue. The site formerly housed the school's West Annex.

Walsh is now on track to finish the building next summer, which is a slight delay from the original target of April 2021 due to pandemic restrictions, the contractor said. The building will house the college's Allied Health programs, clinics, learning labs and other student spaces. Clinical space will serve the public.

Walsh and Schreiber Starling Whitehead Architects are leading the progressive design-build team under a contract from the state.

Here's the rest of the team: PCS Structural Solutions, structural engineer; AHBL, civil engineer; EC Electric and Tres West Engineers, electrical design-build partners; MacDonald-Miller Facility Solutions and PAE Engineers, mechanical/plumbing design-build partners; HBB Landscape Architecture, landscaping design; and Emerald Fire, design-build fire protection.



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The Center for Allied Health Education is rising in downtown Tacoma.