







FACILITIES BRANDING GUIDEBOOK

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# 1. OVERVIEW

- 1.1 How and when to use this Guidebook
- 1.2 Our Brand

#### 1. OVERVIEW

The purpose of this Facilities Branding Guidebook is to bring the Kennesaw State brand to life and create consistent experiences on our campuses. We want to brand our facilities in a consistent, onbrand manner that inspires our current and prospective students, faculty, and staff.

This Guidebook contains suggestions for the varied types of environments we have throughout our campuses and provides tools and resources to assist with branding. The Office of Strategic Communications and Marketing (StratComm), along with Facilities Services, will partner with you to design and brand your spaces.

#### 1.1 HOW AND WHEN TO USE THIS GUIDEBOOK

Bringing a brand to life consistently in three-dimensional spaces requires forethought and planning. Please reach out at the start of your planning process to involve StratComm and Facilities Services. By using this Guidebook and including StratComm and Facilities Services, we can partner together to implement high impact branding that meets your objectives and budget needs.

#### 1.2 OUR BRAND

When some people hear the word "brand," they think "logo" — a signature typeface, a captivating color scheme, a clever mark.

But a brand can—and should—be much more. A strong brand is the expression of everything we do, say, and deliver. It's a unifying identity that distills our spirit and serves as a powerful visual reminder of our mission. It has reflections of who we are and points to the promise of what we can become.

At KSU, we believe in the power of our brand. It's the articulation of our student-centered focus and our commitment to explore, collaborate, and unite a diverse spectrum of backgrounds and talents. It represents openness, challenge, and opportunity. It channels the spirit of what it means to be Owls, and it lights the path so that together we all ascend to new heights.



#### **OUR MISSION**

At Kennesaw State, we serve as a powerful example of the impact a student-centered, research-driven university education can deliver. We help students succeed through exploration, collaboration, and rigor, uniting a diverse spectrum of backgrounds and talents. At KSU, students become the individuals people want as colleagues and leaders.

#### **OUR VISION**

Kennesaw State will exemplify the power and promise of a student-centered, research-driven university. Authentically diverse, uniquely attainable and endlessly impactful, we will unleash the potential in every student we serve.

# STUDENT-CENTERED RESEARCH-DRIVEN

#### **OUR VALUES**

#### **Student Inspired**

Fueling aspiration and delivering pathways
– enabling students
to stretch and strive,
embrace a dream,
and create actionable
plans.

#### **Promise Fulfilling**

Being committed and ready – making promises we can keep to fuel opportunity for every student and spark economic growth for the region.

#### **Impact Generating**

Delivering a difference – impacting individuals and communities for positive change.

#### **True to Ourselves**

Staying genuine, guided by honesty, intention, and purpose – no matter how we change, grow, or evolve – never forgetting who we are.

#### Open

Embracing the true power of openness – valuing and leveraging diverse perspectives to find better solutions and gain an edge.

#### **Elevational**

Raising trajectory

- chasing, creating,
pursuing, building.

# EMBRACE POSITIVE READY GENUINE DIVERSE PURSUING

#### **BRAND PILLARS**

A leader in innovative teaching and learning, Kennesaw State University is one of the 50 largest public institutions in the country. Kennesaw State offers more than 150 undergraduate, graduate, and doctoral degrees to its 38,000 students. With 11 colleges on two metro Atlanta campuses, Kennesaw State is a member of the University System of Georgia and the third-largest university in the state.

Our brand pillars define the essence of what we deliver as an institution.

# Student-Centered Success

Our students are our reason for being — all we do centers on their success.

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### Research with Relevance

As an R2-designated, research-driven university, we embrace exploration that delivers real-world impact.

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#### Learning through Engagement

Collaboration is at our core, with students, faculty and staff working hand-in-hand to inspire a culture of supportive, engaged learning.

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#### Future-Ready Graduates

Our graduates are more than work ready – they're impact ready. Prepared to deliver results from day one, our future-facing students make a difference for our economy, in our communities and around our world.

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## Power of Perspectives

We're a collaborative collision of backstories and backgrounds – individuals who build and feed off each other with a spirit that opens minds to new ideas and opportunities.

#### **BRAND EXPERIENCE**

#### WE'RE AN EXPERIENCE BRAND

Unlike a product off the shelf, an Experience Brand is, by definition, built on relationships and interactions. And unlike consumable brands that are often driven by mass-media advertising, experience brands create their bonds through multiple touchpoints, most importantly through interactions with the people and places that live the brand every day.

Our brand is delivered and defined by our talented faculty, administration, and staff who make students the center of their universe. The spaces in which we interact on our campuses branded properly can provide further support and inspiration for bringing the KSU brand to life.

RELATIONSHIPS

#### **BRAND EXPERIENCE MAP**

#### **Employee**

Inspired to impart knowledge and engage bright minds.

Connected, supporting, building, enabling growth.

Amazed by advancement; proud of transformation.

Reflective and excited to see what tomorrow will bring.

#### Student

Prospective and new students are energized to begin a new life journey.

Ascendant, exploring and challenging, growing new confidence.

As students graduate, they are equipped, prepared and fired up to embark on a career of impact.

Alumni are supported with an extensive network of ever-growing talent with a common connection.



Engaged

**Empowered** 

**Accomplished** 

# 2. BRANDING YOUR FACILITY

2.1 Design Intent and Content

#### 2.1 DESIGN INTENT AND CONTEXT

#### BRINGING THE BRAND TO LIFE WHERE WE INTERACT ON OUR CAMPUSES

We want to inspire and activate the connection our students, faculty, and staff have to KSU by branding our spaces in a consistent manner. The resources in this Guidebook will help to translate our **ONE BRAND, ONE VOICE** brand strategy into our physical spaces.

Bringing the

brand to life

where we

interact on

our campuses

 Colleges and Student-Facing Buildings

including:

- Lobby and Greeting
- Learning andSpecialized Classrooms
- Collaboration Spaces
- Dean's Suite
- Hallways and
   Transition Areas

Public-Facing and Department Offices

This Guidebook provides direction and tools to brand our various spaces across our campuses,

- Public-Facing Offices
- Lobby and Greeting
  - Hallways and Transition Areas
- Smaller Offices
  - Lobby and Greeting
  - Hallways and
     Transition Areas

Other Areas

- Multi-Purpose Rooms
- □ Tour Rooms

By branding our facilities, we will enhance, grow, and further connect our brand essence with our students, faculty, and staff.

# 3. THE BIG IDEA

3.1 Student Inspired

#### **3.1 STUDENT INSPIRED**

We live and thrive on providing students a uniquely accessible university experience. An experience that brings together students from a range of backgrounds to enable the creative collisions that help deliver on the promise that, through hands-on academic rigor and exploration, students can set their own life's trajectory to climb higher and fully realize their potential.

At Kennesaw State, students are the center of our universe



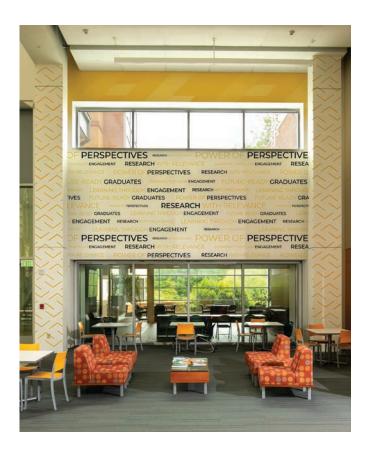
# 4. EXPERIENCE ZONES

- 4.1 Colleges and Student-Facing Buildings
- 4.2 Public-Facing and Department Offices
- 4.3 Other Areas
- 4.4 Examples of Application

#### **EXPERIENCE ZONES**

Within the Experience Zones pages, we lay out examples of how the Brand Resources in this guide can be applied to our spaces throughout our campuses.

- Colleges and Student-Facing Buildings
  - Lobby and Greeting
  - Learning and Specialized Classrooms
  - Collaboration Spaces
  - Dean's Suite
  - Hallways and Transition Areas
- Public-Facing and Department Offices
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  - Smaller Offices
    - ◆ Lobby and Greeting
    - Hallways and Transition Areas
- Other Areas
  - Multi-Purpose Rooms
  - Tour Rooms



#### 4.1 COLLEGES AND STUDENT-FACING BUILDINGS

Our colleges and student-facing buildings are important places where our students gather and learn. Bringing our brand to life in these spaces enhances students' experiences and connects our key stakeholders to our brand in more meaningful and inspirational ways.

- Lobby and Greeting
- Learning and Specialized Classrooms
- Collaboration Spaces
- Dean's Suite
- Hallways and Transition Areas



#### 4.2 PUBLIC-FACING AND DEPARTMENT OFFICES

Our offices are an essential place for our students, their parents, and external stakeholders to interface with key functions within the university.

- Public-facing Offices (e.g., Admissions, Human Resources)
  - Lobby and Greeting
  - Hallways and Transition Areas
- Smaller Offices
  - Lobby and Greeting
  - Hallways and Transition Areas



#### **4.3 OTHER AREAS**

Across our campuses, we have other non-academic and office spaces that can be enhanced significantly through branding. Branding these spaces can make these spaces more fun and tied to the brand connection we desire.

- Multi-purpose Rooms
- Tour Rooms



#### **4.4 EXAMPLES OF APPLICATION**

These examples show possible uses and application of the brand resources throughout your facility.



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#### **EXAMPLES OF APPLICATION**





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#### **EXAMPLES OF APPLICATION**



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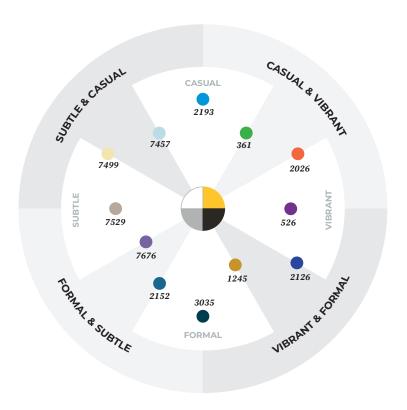
# 5. USING COLOR

5.1 Color Palette

#### **5.1 COLOR PALETTE**

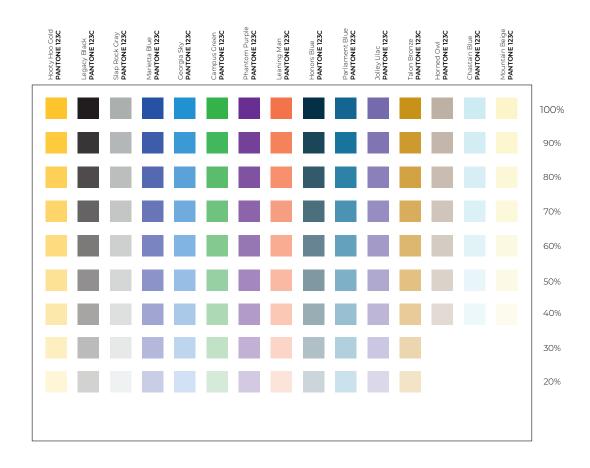
Kennesaw State has a broad spectrum of approved colors for use in branding. These colors are organized by mood type and tone across the color combinations shown on the color wheel. Please feel free to use the whole spectrum of colors keeping in mind the preferred combinations and percentages of primary versus secondary colors recommended.

The use of our primary and secondary color palette will be a consistent part of our environmental branding. Secondary colors are to be used as accents and added to the primary color palette.



#### **USING COLOR**





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#### **USING COLOR**



Colors can be applied to interior walls and exterior structures and well as accessories such as lighting and fixtures.



- 6.1 Logo Guidelines
- 6.2 Typography Guidelines
- 6.3 Graphic Patterns
- 6.4 Photography
- 6.5 Interior and Exterior Signage Standards

#### **6.1 LOGO GUIDELINES**

Kennesaw State's logo is a unifying element of its master brand. Having a cohesive and integrated visual identity system ensures that the university is readily recognized, and its trademarks are protected in the marketplace.

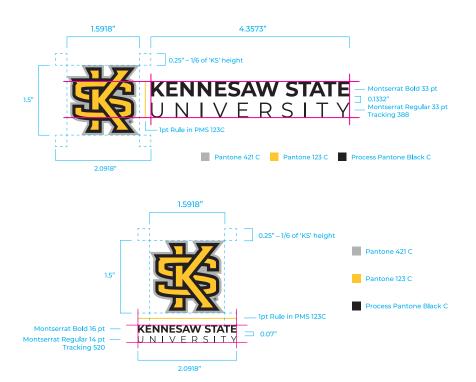
#### **Master Brand**





#### **PROTECTED AREA**

The protected area around the logo ensures that no other graphic elements or messaging interferes with its clarity and integrity. The depth of the protected area is equivalent to 1/6 of the height of the KS monogram portion of the logo.







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### 6.2 TYPOGRAPHY GUIDELINES

#### **Typefaces**

Kennesaw State
University's brand
uses two typefaces:
Montserrat and Source
Serif Pro in all their
weights.

For the web and digital defaults, Arial is recommended as a common system font to manage compatibility issues for shared electronic documents.

#### **Primary Typeface**

Montserrat Thin

Montserrat Thin Italic

Montserrat Extra Light

Montserrat Extra Light Italic

Montserrat Light

Montserrat Light Italic

Montserrat Regular

Montserrat Italic

Montserrat Medium

Montserrat Medium Italic

Montserrat Semi Bold

Montserrat Semi Bold Italic

**Montserrat Bold** 

**Montserrat Bold Italic** 

**Montserrat Extra Bold** 

**Montserrat Extra Bold Italic** 

**Montserrat Black** 

**Montserrat Black Italic** 

#### **Secondary Typeface**

Source Serif Pro Extra Light

Source Serif Pro Extra Light Italic

Source Serif Pro Light

Source Serif Pro Light Italic

Source Serif Pro Regular

Source Serif Pro Italic

Source Serif Pro Semi Bold

Source Serif Pro Semi Bold Italic

**Source Serif Pro Bold** 

Source Serif Pro Bold Italic

**Source Serif Pro Black** 

Source Serif Pro Black Italic

#### **6.3 GRAPHIC PATTERNS**

Patterns can be used as a branding element throughout KSU spaces on walls, glass, and other surfaces. The icon, text, and graphic patterns communicate our brand themes. Patterns also can be used to provide intuitive wayfinding.

The use of powerful words that describe the KSU brand is another powerful pattern possibility.

#### Geometric



Diagonal



Owl Eyes



Owl Flight



Owl Wing



Word Cloud



Values



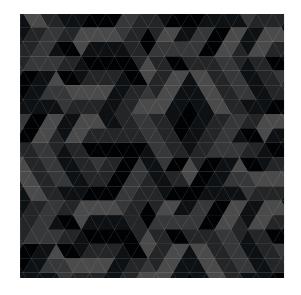
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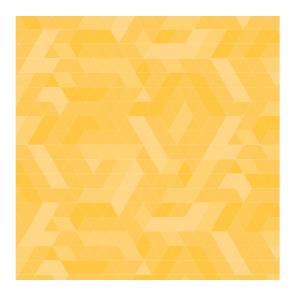


Pillars



#### **GEOMETRIC PATTERN**







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#### **DIAGONAL PATTERN**





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STATE UNIVERSITY

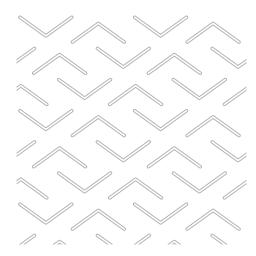
#### **OWL EYES PATTERN**

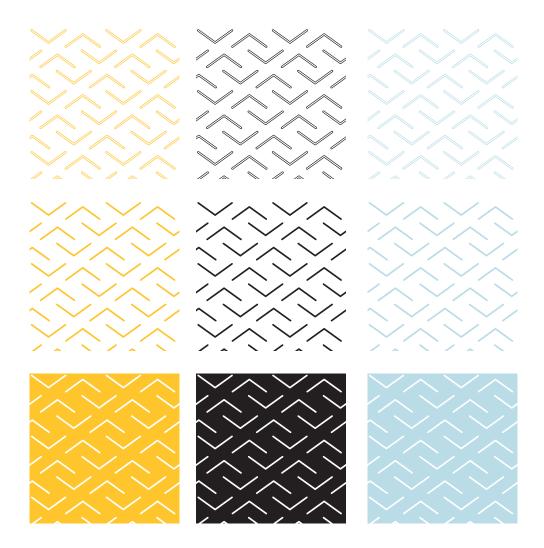


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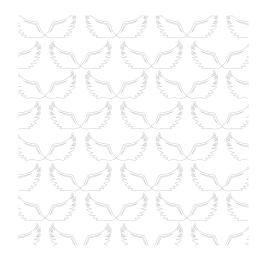
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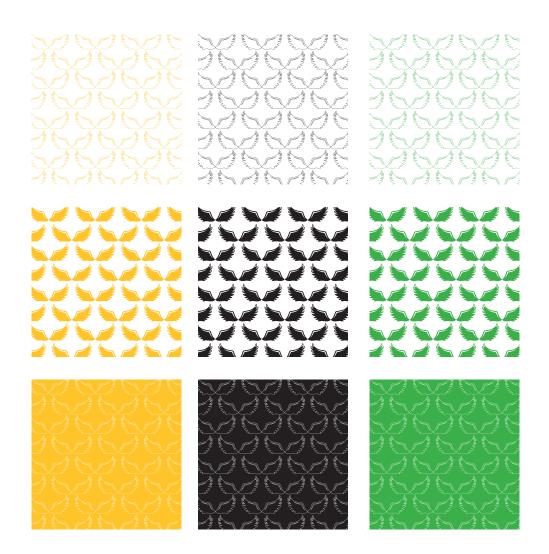
# **OWL'S FLIGHT**





# **OWL WINGS**





#### WORD CLOUD PATTERN

Use full words only, in all caps, and space them tightly together. Our KSU words are:

















#### **VALUES PATTERN**



#### **ICON PATTERN**















#### **PILLARS PATTERN**

ARCH WITH RELEVANCE LEARNING THROUGH ENGAGEMENT FUTURE-REARNING THROUGH ENGAGEMENT FUTURE-READY GRADUATES POWER OF PERSPECTIVES STUDENT-CENTERE

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#### **6.4 PHOTOGRAPHY**

Photography is a powerful visual tool to bring our brand to life. Images can be applied to walls and used in framing systems in groups or a series. The images in this Guidebook are available in our digital asset management system. These high-resolution images are chosen to create an inspiring environment representing various aspects of our brand pillars and activities at KSU.

All images are informed by our five brand pillars and through student life on Campus.

Student-Centered Success

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Research with Relevance

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Learning through Engagement

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Future-Ready Graduates

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Power of Perspectives

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Student Life

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Campus Beauty

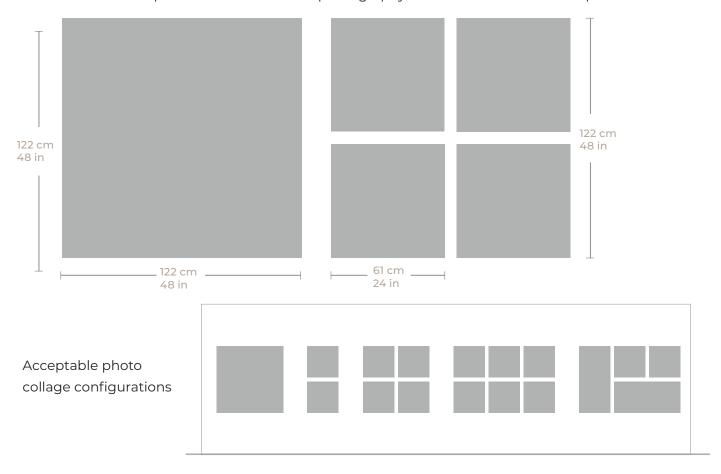
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#### PHOTOGRAPHIC COLLAGES - SIZE AND CONFIGURATION

Photographic collages are recommended in two sizes.

122 cm square (48 in) and 61 cm square (24 in).

Custom and non-square sizes are allowed if photography calls for sizes other than square.

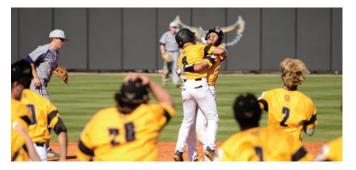


# PHOTOGRAPHY - STUDENT-CENTERED SUCCESS









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# PHOTOGRAPHY - RESEARCH WITH RELEVANCE









# PHOTOGRAPHY - LEARNING THROUGH ENGAGEMENT













# PHOTOGRAPHY - FUTURE-READY GRADUATES



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# PHOTOGRAPHY - POWER OF PERSPECTIVES





# PHOTOGRAPHY - STUDENT LIFE









# PHOTOGRAPHY - CAMPUS BEAUTY









#### **6.5 INTERIOR AND EXTERIOR SIGNAGE STANDARDS**

Signage serves an efficient function of identifying our numerous locations, both interior and exterior, and assisting with wayfinding. Consistency and readability are essential when designing, specifying, and displaying signage.

This Guidebook provides Kennesaw State's standards for interior and exterior signage on the Kennesaw and Marietta campuses. While signage consistency across both campuses is desired, it is not entirely possible due to the legacy signage on both campuses. Therefore, there are standards for each campus.

#### **INTERIOR SIGNAGE STANDARDS**

Paint color, materials and vinyls

#### Paint\*



# **KSU Typeface**

Montserrat ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz 1234567890

## **Materials**



Direct Embed® Powder Coated .040" Aluminum Panel with KSU geometric pattern

3form/Koda XT Style: Vitamin c + White out Finish: Brushed\_random

CONTACT: Eric Koslow Tel: 954-825-0410 Cell: 954-347-6812 eric@directembedcoating.com

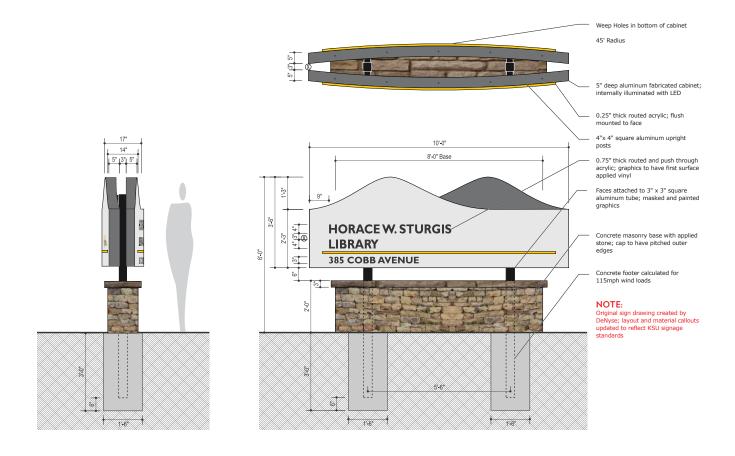
# Vinyls



#### **EXTERIOR SIGNAGE STANDARDS**

**Building Momument Sign** 

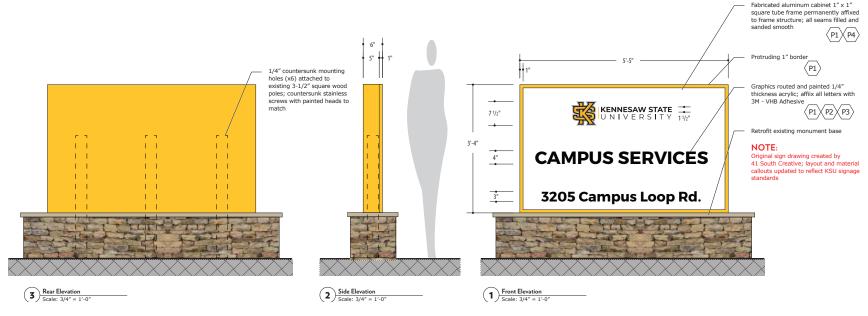
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#### **EXTERIOR SIGNAGE STANDARDS**

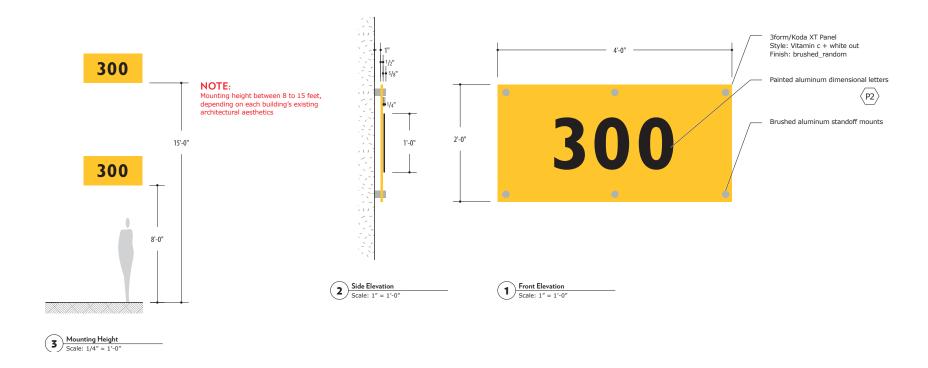
Campus Loop Rd. Monument

#### SIGN TYPE ED - KENNESAW CAMPUS



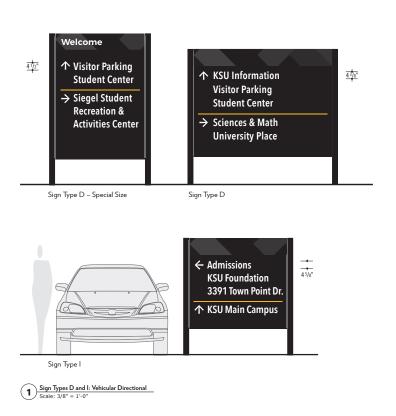
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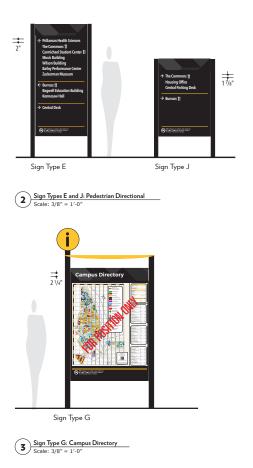
#### **SIGN TYPE EU**



# Campus Wayfinding

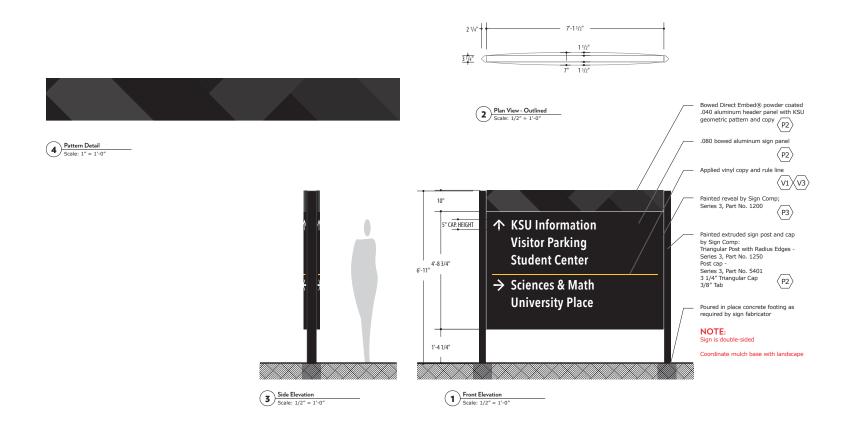
#### **SIGN FAMILY**





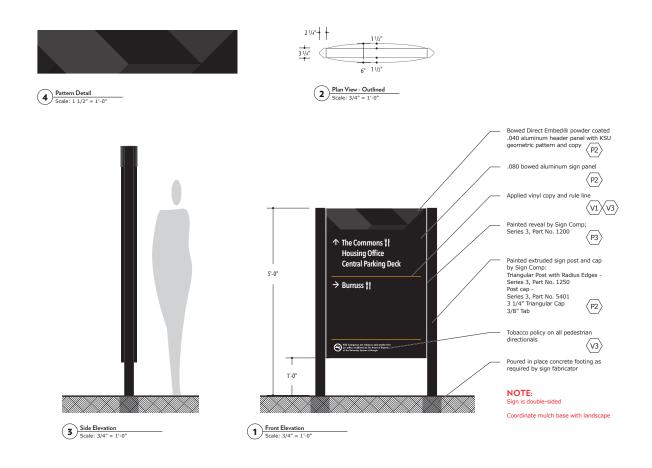
Vehicular Directional - Large

#### SIGN TYPE D



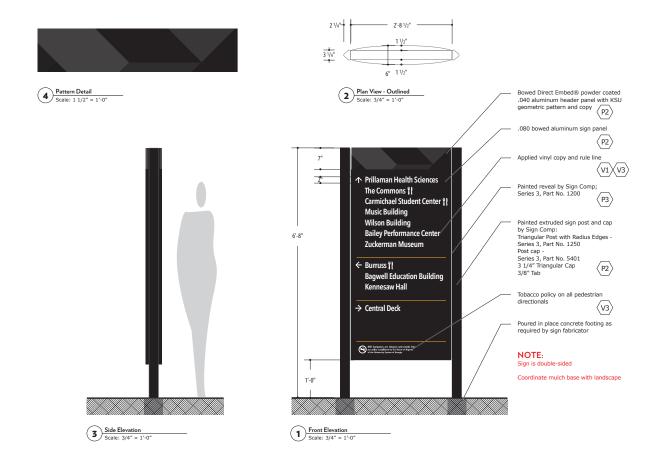
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#### SIGN TYPE J



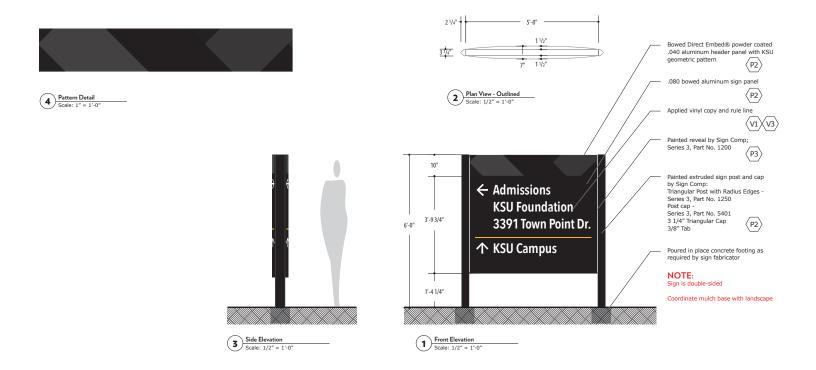
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#### SIGN TYPE E



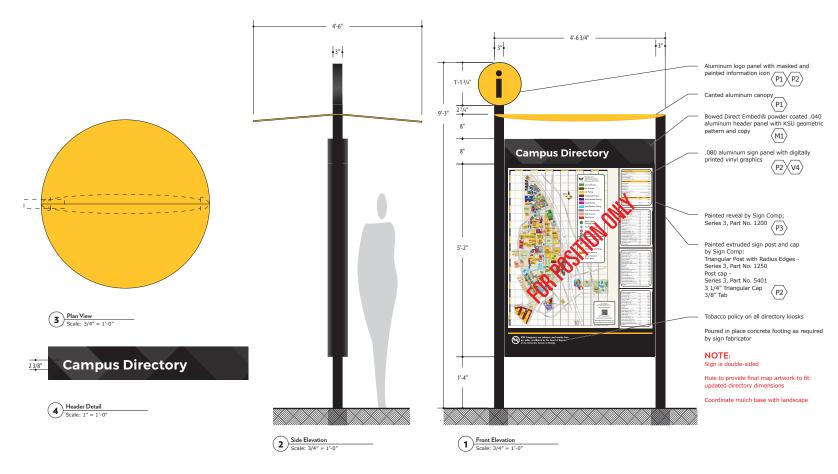
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#### SIGN TYPE I



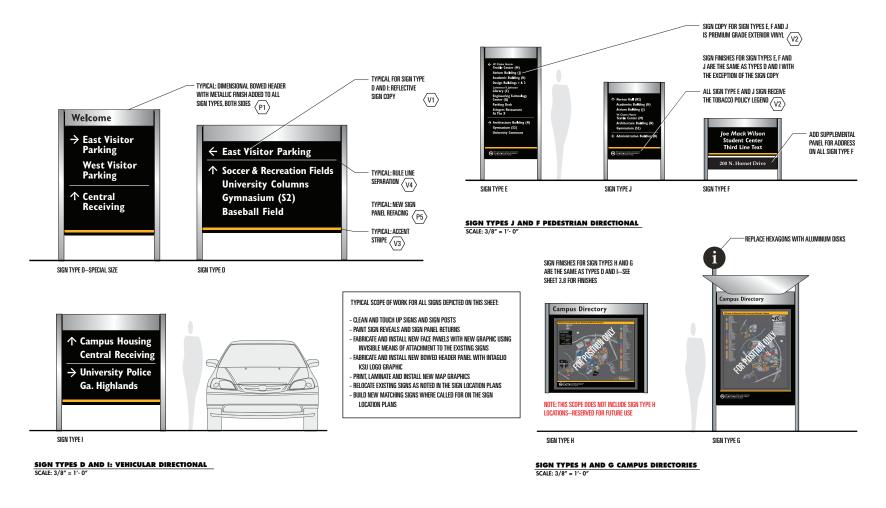
# Campus Directory

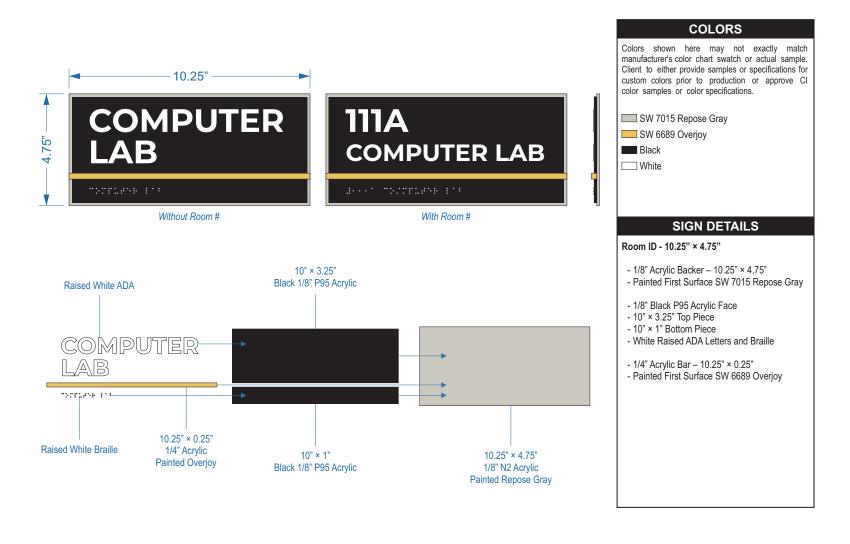
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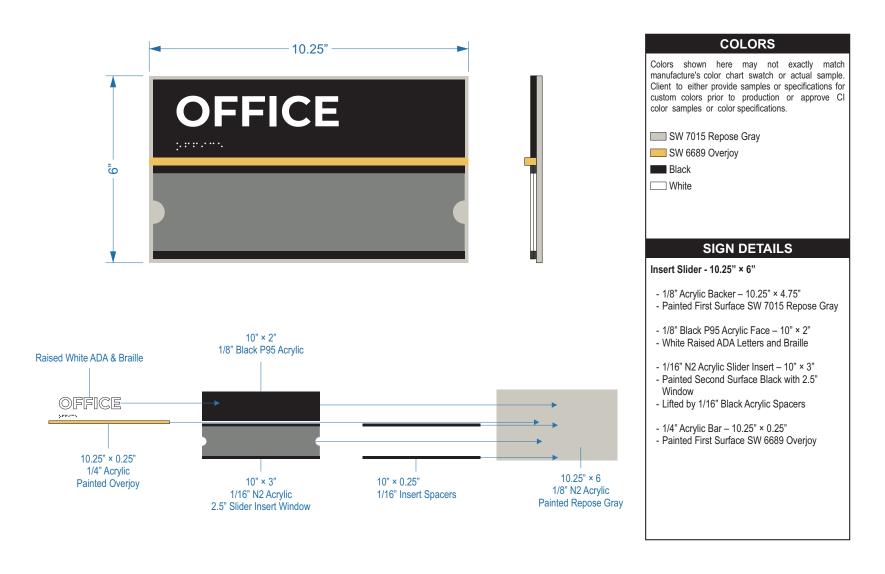


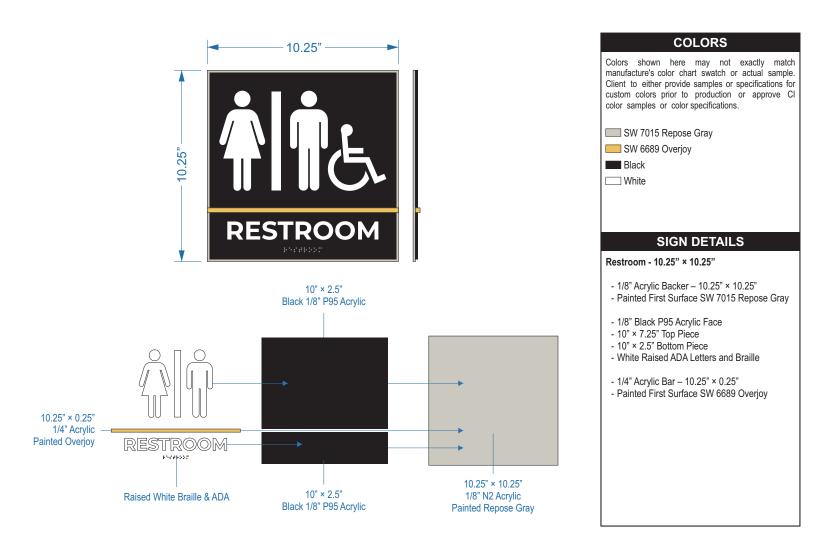
#### MARIETTA CAMPUS EXTERIOR SIGNAGE STANDARDS

### Campus Wayfinding





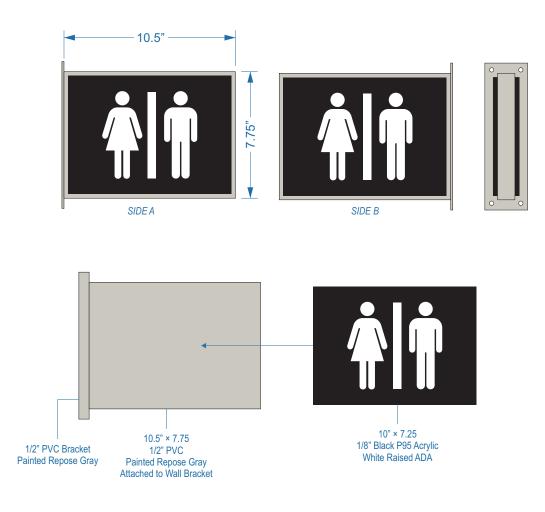










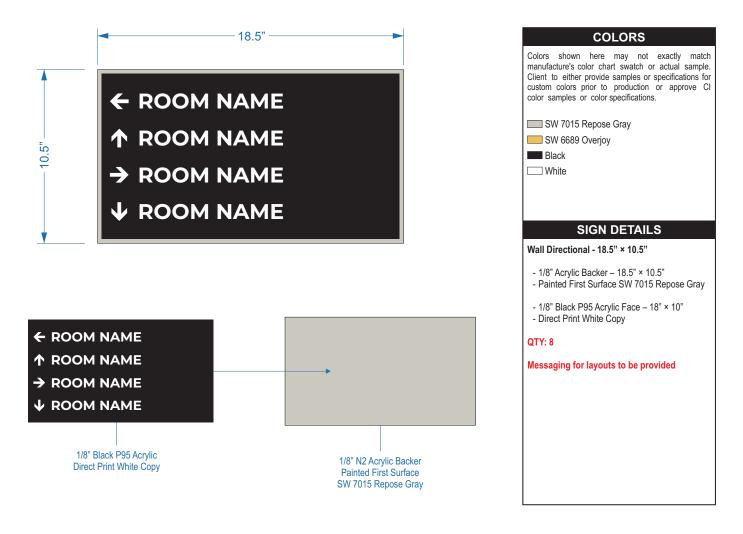


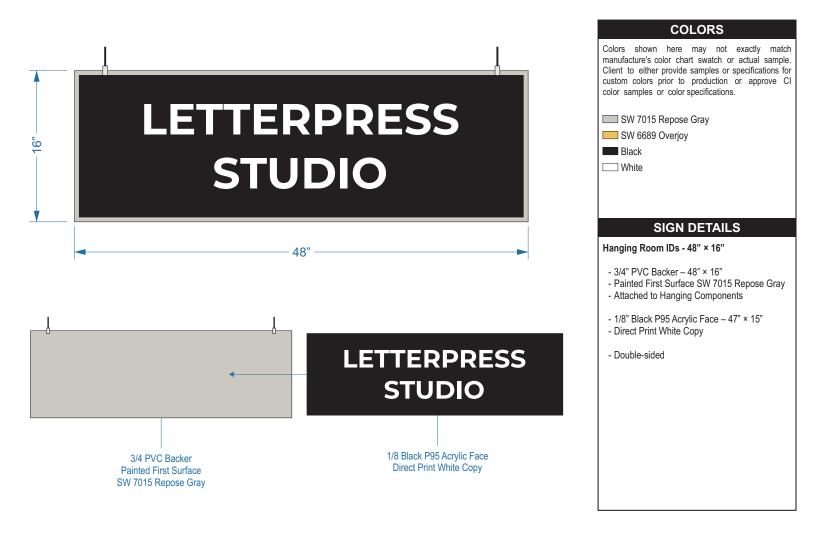
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#### **SIGN DETAILS**

Restroom Flag Sign - 10.5" × 7.75"

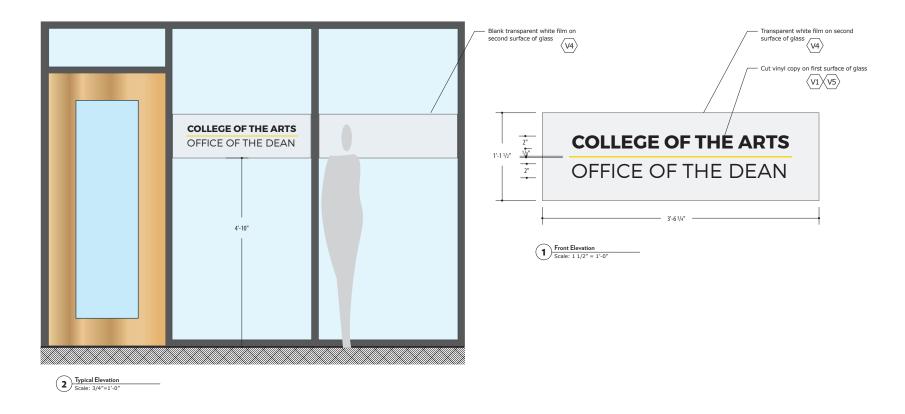
- 1/2" PVC Backer 10.5" × 7.75"
- Painted First Surface SW 7015 Repose Gray
- Attached to Bracket to mount on wall
- 1/8" Black P95 Acrylic Face 10" × 7.25"
- White Raised ADA Letters and Braille





Department ID - Vinyl on Glass

#### SIGN TYPE V



Department ID - Panel

#### **SIGN TYPE W**

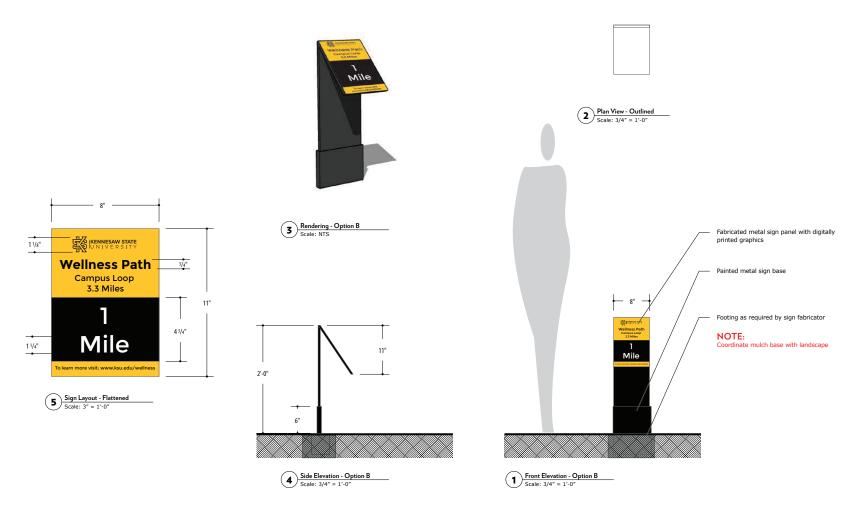


Chastain Pointe ID Panel

#### **SIGN TYPE X**



Well-being Mile Marker



# 7. BRAND ASSISTANCE

7.1 Contacts

#### **BRAND ASSISTANCE**

#### 7.1 CONTACTS

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### **Strategic Communications and Marketing**

Visit <u>stratcomm.kennesaw.edu</u> and submit a project request.

#### **Facilities Services**

Submit an email to <u>campusplanning@kennesaw.edu</u>.



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