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Putting the “Fun” in Project Closeout: Fudge, Golf, and Mackinac Island



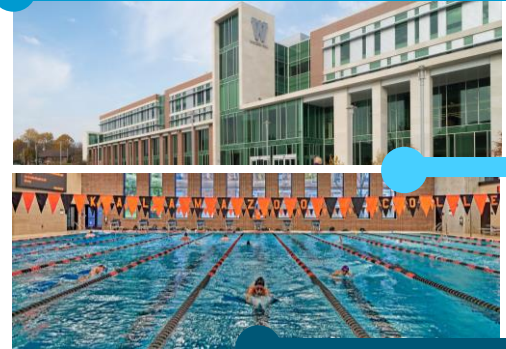
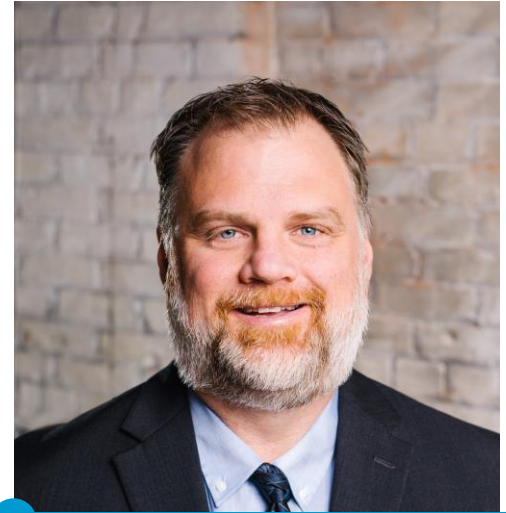
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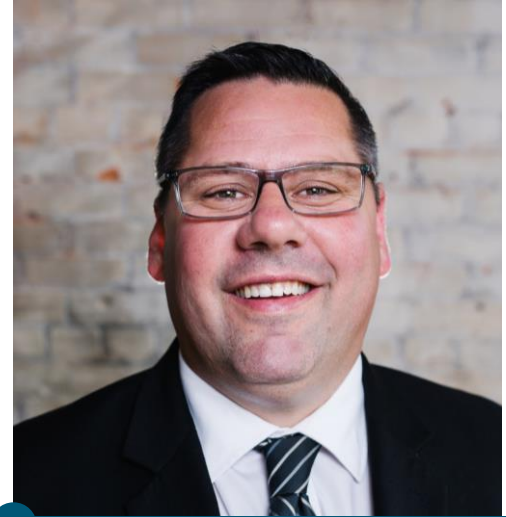
Matt Postma is a Project Executive at Miller-Davis Company. Having amassed more than two decades of experience in the construction industry, he has successfully steered numerous prominent projects from start to finish. With a bachelor's degree in construction management from Michigan State University and LEED accreditation, he primarily oversees Miller-Davis Company's endeavors in higher education construction. Matt's profound knowledge and skills contribute significantly to bolstering Miller-Davis' forward-thinking strategy in meeting the challenges of contemporary construction



Jack Abate

VP-Construction Operations, Miller-Davis Company

Jack Abate is Vice President – Construction Operations at Miller-Davis Company based in Kalamazoo, Michigan. With over 30 years in the construction industry, he has guided dozens of high-profile projects through the preconstruction phase to successful project completion. He is a member of the AGC of Michigan Continuing Education Committee, an AGC Educational Endowment Fund Trustee, and is a LEED Green Associate. Today, Jack lends his expertise to drive Miller-Davis' ambitious approach to meet the demands of 21st-century construction and enhance its level of service.



Alan Vanderstelt

Mechanical Designer/Project Manager – Michigan State University

Alan Vanderstelt is a Mechanical Designer/Project Manager at Michigan State University (MSU). He started his career in the private sector focused on commercial HVAC before joining MSU in 2015 as an HVAC mechanic. Alan brings value to the university with his extensive HVAC background and construction management expertise. As part of his current role since 2018, he has led complex, expedited delivery projects including a BSL-3 select agent site, Cryo-EM facility, and the remodeling and HVAC upgrade of the MSU Veterinary Hospital. Through his mechanical service and end-user experience he has gleaned an insightful and practical industry perspective





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Across 5,200 Acres**



**23M Square Feet
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**Record
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**\$5.9B Total
Statewide Economic
Impact**





**114-Years
In Business**



**Construction Management,
General Contracting, and
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**Headquartered
In Kalamazoo
Michigan**



**+80% Education
Projects**





Let's Talk Closeouts

The good, the bad, and how to improve.

Think “Big Picture”

Why are we talking about project closeouts?

1

We are the creators, owners, and consumers.
Need **clear expectations!**

2

Closeout documentation of assets continues
throughout the project.

3

Final completed documentation of assets
and as-builts.



Our Goals

This workshop will be focused on:



Assessing Your Swing
Don't Fudge Your Way
Through Closeouts



Better Your Understanding
"Read the Green"



Improve Your Process
Perfect Your Game

The Process

Session 1

Q1: Describe your closeout process and rate on a scale of 1-10 (1=worst). Explain your rating.

Q2: What are your top 3 closeout items (documents/materials) that you use the most post-construction?



Challenges

Session 2

Q1: What are some of your biggest challenges you see during the closeout process?

Q2: How have you attempted to mitigate those challenges?



The Path Forward

Session 3

Q1: How are you currently maintaining your closeout data (hard copy and/or digital)?

Q2: How would you like to improve your current process?





Thank You