

Rose State College

In celebration of their 50th anniversary, Rose State College of Midwest City, Oklahoma scheduled the construction of a 48,000 square foot building to replace the original student union. Architect and interior designer Beck Design paired with Knoll Dealer Spaces, Inc. to create an outstanding multi-use space to commemorate the student body community and support campus engagement. The team prioritized functionality and flexibility in furnishing the space while maintaining a timeless design throughout.

Central to the new student union is the 30 foot atrium with impressive floor to ceiling windows that houses administrative offices and a cafeteria. The space needed to be inviting to students to gather and work, while maintaining a level of sophistication that would appeal to visitors and prospective students. To achieve this style, the team went with a furniture color scheme that balanced



the school's blue and gold colors with complementary light grey and white furniture to balance the space.

The atrium is filled with Pixel™ Column Leg Tables, Bertoa™ Molded Shell Chairs and Spark Series™ Side Chairs. Additional seating includes k. lounge™, Rockwell Unscripted® High-back Settee and Modular Lounge, and Muuto Modular Connect; all of which provide students with comfortable touchdown spaces to meet or study. Taking advantage of the full-sized windows, the team lined the perimeter with Bertoa™ Molded Shell Barstools to capitalize on the vertical space. The final product – a grand and vibrant space where students can comfortably enjoy a meal and congregate with friends or staff.

On the second floor of the student union, 14 private offices furnished with Generation by Knoll® Chairs, Moment Side Chairs, and Reff Profiles™ Work Desks provide students and staff with a quiet space, while floor-to-ceiling glass walls keep the space feeling open and bright. Additional workspaces for students fill the rest of the floor using Dividends Horizon™ Tables, MultiGeneration by Knoll® Chairs, Rockwell Unscripted™ Sawhorse Tables, High Tables, Club Chairs, Cylinder Stools, and Highback Settee.

Beck Design and Knoll Dealer Spaces succeeded in creating a multifunctional space that increased student usage and satisfaction. Overall, the bright colors and sleek lines provide a fun yet classy atmosphere that welcomes students, faculty and staff and business leaders. The design complements



the architecture so beautifully that the atrium has become the “selfie destination” on campus.✕

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Project Overview

Sector: Higher Education
Completed: 2020
Location: Midwest City, OK

Scope

- + 48,000 sq. ft.
- + 2 Floors
- + 14 Private Offices
- + 5 Workstations
- + 3 Conference Rooms
- + 1 Cafeteria
- + 2 Lounge Areas

Knoll Products

- + **Systems:** Dividends Horizon™
- + **Private Offices:** Reff Profiles™
- + **Task Seating:** Generation®, MultiGeneration®, Ollo®, Rockwell Unscripted® Upholstered Seats, Rockwell Unscripted® Club Chair, Spark® Chair, Bertoa™ Molded Shell, Moment™
- + **Lounge Seating:** K. Lounge™, Rockwell Unscripted® Highback Settee, Rockwell Unscripted® Modular Lounge, Muuto Connect
- + **Tables:** Dividends Horizon™, Rockwell Unscripted® Occasional Tables, Rockwell Unscripted® Library Table, Rockwell Unscripted® Tall Table, Rockwell Unscripted® Sawhorse Table, Reff Profiles™ Height-Adjustable, Pixel™ Column Leg Table, Saarinen
- + **Storage:** Anchor™, Template®

Drivers

- + Design a place to celebrate students
- + Create a multi-use facility for events, functions, and community
- + Create a place students want to be and support their campus engagement

Tactics

- + Selected flexible and multi-functional furniture that supported collaboration
- + Included a variety of seating to create a welcoming environment for all students

Outcomes

- + Increased student usage and satisfaction
- + Utilization by student clubs and organizations for community building