

**MEDIA ADVISORY****Date sent:** October 13, 2009**Date of event:** October 16, 2009**Algonquin College breaks ground on new  
“Algonquin Centre for Construction Excellence”**

Armed with shovels, backhoes, and help from elected officials from all levels of government, Algonquin College President Robert Gillett will break ground on the new Algonquin Centre for Construction Excellence this Friday. Scheduled to open in fall of 2011, the 150,000-square-foot building will house 600 additional spaces for construction trades students and facilities for training thousands more students in related programs. The uniquely green, LEED-Platinum certified, building will also be a showpiece and teaching laboratory for best practices in sustainable construction.

This event will also feature the launch of the College’s Constructing Our Future Capital Campaign along with the unveiling of artist’s renderings of the new building.

**Who:** **Robert Gillett**, President of Algonquin College  
**The Honourable John Baird**, M.P. for Ottawa West-Nepean  
Minister of Transport, Infrastructure and Communities  
**The Honourable Jim Watson**, M.P.P. for Ottawa West-Nepean  
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing  
**His Worship Larry O’Brien**, Mayor of the City of Ottawa  
**Rick Chiarelli**, Councilor, College Ward

**What:** Groundbreaking ceremony for Algonquin Centre for Construction Excellence and launch of the Constructing Our Future Capital Campaign.

**When:** October 16, 2009  
10:00 a.m.

**Where:** Woodroffe Avenue at Navaho Drive  
(Old Baseline Bus Station)

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