

# OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY



In a sports stadium, there are fewer high-traffic areas than the restroom facilities. Oklahoma State University's historic stadium was built in 1913 so the restroom facilities had suffered a great deal of wear and tear from continued use over the years. So when the University planned to renovate and expand its stadium, it was an opportunity to upgrade the restrooms with new bathroom partitions that would add functional and aesthetic value, and endure the high volume of traffic.

*"Durability was of utmost importance when selecting a product for this application," said David Reed, Sparks Reed Architecture & Interiors, project architect for the OSU installation. "But due to the nature of the application we also wanted a product that would be low maintenance, and resistant to abuse. It's common knowledge that public bathroom facilities, particularly the stalls, are subjected to vandalism including scratches and dents and graffiti from rival or rowdy fans. We did our research and specified Scranton Products' Hiny Hiders® for the application."*

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Oklahoma State University Hiny Hiders Bathroom Partitions



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Hiny Hiders are available in a multitude of colors and textures however Reed took advantage of the product's customization capabilities and specified the bathroom partitions be designed in the university's school colors. In addition, to make the application even more unique, the door of each stall is personalized with the OSU logo.

More than 500 partitions were installed in the new stadium. Today, according to Donald Clark, facility manager, the Hiny Hiders partitions have

*"Routing the logo into each door shows the workability of HDPE," said Reed. "We were able to provide the university and the fans with a unique custom product for the new facility," said Reed. "The color is bright orange and the logo supports college spirit and fan excitement."*

proven to be low-maintenance. "Our metal stalls rusted, needed painting and graffiti was often a problem. Since the Hiny Hiders were installed we've had virtually no maintenance issues in any of the

restroom stalls. The most we've had to do is wash them down with a garden hose."

As Hiny Hiders are made with HDPE, they'll have a long life cycle and be a cost-effective component to the new stadium. This is key in a stadium that has more than 40 restroom facilities. For OSU, such a large application, this is an enormous benefit.

Since the 2009 installation, the Hiny Hiders have endured the cheers and jeers of sports fans. "The bathroom partitions have really shown their durability while retaining their great looks," said Clark. "Every hinge, every latch, every hanger works as well today as it did three years ago," he said.

For Oklahoma State University, the plan to renovate the stadium was to transform a structure that was showing its age into a contemporary, state-of-the-art facility. The goal was to create unrivaled facilities for football players and fans alike. Boone Pickens Stadium can now be considered one of America's top facilities from top to bottom.

