

EXETER'S NEW ACADEMY CENTER OPENS

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March 28 was opening day at Exeter: the opening day of spring term, and of the much-anticipated new Academy Center. The entire student body and much of the faculty and staff gathered on Tan Lane to watch Principal Ty Tingley cut an Exeter-red ribbon and declare the former Thompson Science Building officially open as a new center of campus life. "This is a building designed to encourage community," Tingley said, "and the best way you can support that is to come and use it." The Academy Center brings together under a single roof new and expanded versions of such Exeter institutions as the Grill, the Post Office and the Day Student Center; offices for *The Exonian*, the *PEAN* and various student clubs; the WPEA studio and music practice rooms; and the 300-seat Forum. Look for more about the Academy Center in our summer and fall issues.

After seven years of planning, it all came together on March 28 for Exeter's new Academy Center when Principal Ty Tingley cut the ribbon (above left) and students, faculty and staff came together for an opening celebration in the ground-floor Agora (below right). The former Thompson Science Building brings together under a single roof a number of campus institutions, including the Grill (below left).



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