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## Downtown Barry Bagels to Relocate to Imagination Station

TOLEDO, Ohio – A familiar Toledo restaurant will occupy the retail space made available by Imagination Station's expansion project. Barry Bagels will relocate to the science center when construction is complete this summer.

Toledo's Science Center is in the midst of construction of a 8,200-square-foot addition which will include the KeyBank Discovery Theater, the new Barry Bagels restaurant, a new science center store, added concessions area and lobby entrance.

"It's been great having Barry Bagels as a next door neighbor, and we couldn't be happier to have them moving into our new addition," said Lori Hauser, chief executive officer at Imagination Station. "We are excited for all of the growth that's happening along the Summit Street corridor and the new opportunities for dining and entertainment that have come with it."

Imagination Station has partnered with Sodexo for its food service operations. Sodexo will oversee the science center's Atomic Cafe and event catering along with Barry Bagels.

"This is an exciting new partnership for us. The new space at Imagination Station will allow us to expand our operations in downtown Toledo," said Ron Dorchak, client executive at Sodexo. "We are looking forward to adding new staff and offering our customers a larger dining room, expanded hours and new menu items."

The current Barry Bagels location will close February 7 in preparation for the move. The new location at Imagination Station will have street access. Admission to the science center is not necessary to enter the restaurant.

## **About Imagination Station's Expansion**

The science center broke ground on the \$10-million expansion in June 2019 and celebrated the completion of the building's major structural components with a topping out ceremony in December 2019. Exterior and interior work on the science center expansion will continue for the next several months and is projected to open to the public this summer.

KeyBank Discovery Theater will bring exciting new opportunities for the community to engage with the sciences. The multi-purpose theater will feature a 58-foot wide screen with 4K laser projection. This technology will allow the science center to project nearly any kind of video and audio, including traditional and 3D films, presentations and live streaming.

Imagination Station provides a critical layer of science enrichment by serving as an educational partner for teachers, schools and parents. It's with a thoughtful blend of exhibits, experiences, education and excitement that Imagination Station inspires visitors to pursue STEM careers in Northwest Ohio.

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