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CEDARVILLE, OHIO – Over the summer, Cedarville University's snack shop, "The Hive," was upgraded to a new and modern hangout space. Now, not only has the space increased, but it also received a new name. The new place for students and guests is called "Stinger's." The remodeled eatery opened August 18.

Stinger's has almost doubled the space of the former facility, along with boosted cell service, a new entrance, manageable traffic flow, brighter lighting, kitchen upgrades, modern designs, a larger stage and comfortable seating.

"Stinger's has a much more modern concept," said Reese Yoder, a sophomore double-majoring in molecular and cellular biology and biology from Wooster, Ohio. "I can see myself studying here outside of mealtimes."

"My favorite upgrade is definitely the comfy seating!" said Catherine Clements, junior criminal justice major from Hanson, Massachusetts.

The renovation increased seating to 216. Customers can choose from booths, high tables, low tables and counter seating.

"I love the new look," said Donna Fifer, manager of Stinger's. "My favorite upgrades are the new pizza oven, that has made the process considerably faster, and the ice machine on the drink station."

"We designed Stinger's with neutral tones because we recognized that the real color and excitement come from the students," said Chad Jackson, creative director. "When Stinger's is full of people, the blank slate comes alive."

"When I saw Stinger's for the first time, I was excited because it seemed serene and cool," said Tasha Peterson, a junior visual communication design major from Mission Viejo, California. "The hexagonal floor tiles are my favorite part."

The hexagonal floor path that travels through Stinger's was provided by the class of 2017 as their senior class gift.

Even outside of the student body, Stinger's is being recognized as a new and unique place for students. Patrick Stalnaker, pastor to students and families at First Baptist of Kettering visits Cedarville primarily in the summer for camp, but recently had the opportunity to visit Stinger's right after its grand opening.

"I think that Stinger's is a cool place for students to gather," said Stalnaker. "It's an open space with great architecture, design and food. I'm excited to see it as a gathering place for a lot of people."

Located in southwest Ohio, Cedarville University is an accredited, Christ-centered, Baptist institution with an enrollment of 3,963 undergraduate, graduate, and online students in more than 100 areas of study. Founded in 1887, Cedarville is recognized nationally for its authentic Christian community, rigorous academic programs, strong graduation and retention rates, accredited professional and health science offerings, and leading student satisfaction ratings. For more information about the University, visit www.cedarville.edu.