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## **Holt Agribusiness Donates Close To \$1 Million Worth Of Machinery To Tarleton State University's Agriculture Center**

STEPHENVILLE, TEXAS

OLT AgriBusiness, an industry leading agricultural equipment dealer for select counties in Texas, Arkansas and Missouri, met with the leadership of Tarleton State University to create a partnership with TSU College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences students and faculty members. Paul Westbrook, HOLT AgriBusiness general manager, and his team delivered eight tractors to the TSU Agricultural Center, or "The College Farm," which has an estimated value of nearly \$1 million.

In his remarks about the new partnership between HOLT AgriBusiness and Tarleton State University, Westbrook said, "We appreciate the opportunity to support Tarleton's education and research efforts. The values and culture the people at Tarleton State hold are in direct alignment with those of HOLT AgriBusiness, so it makes our support a great fit. The Challenger and Massey Ferguson tractors will be put to good use and are sure to help educate and train

the next generation of farmers.'

"We're extremely excited about the generous donation for the use of eight tractors to the Center, which will provide us a top-of-the-line equipment fleet to operate and help meet our educational goals and objectives," said Don Cawthon, dean of the College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences. "This partnership is extremely important and timely because our student enrollment continues to grow and financial support from the state struggles to keep up with needs. We look forward to a long and productive relationship with HOLT AgriBusi-

HOLT AgriBusiness donated the tractors for the use of students and faculty members who work on the College Farm. The tractors that HOLT delivered include:

Challenger MT 455B Challenger MT 515D Challenger MT 515D Challenger MT 555D Challenger MT 585D Massey Ferguson 2635 Massey Ferguson 4608

Massey Ferguson 4608 To celebrate HOLT AgriBusiness' contribution, students and faculty members gathered with Tarleton leadership, including President Dominic Dottavio, to commemorate the new partnership. This four-year commitment with HOLT will provide brand new agricultural equipment to Tarleton's College Farm every year. Dean Cawthon noted at the event, "the tractors will be replaced with new ones even before they need their first oil change!"

"At HOLT, supporting and contributing to the communities where we live and work symbolizes our core value of commitment," said Brandy Patton, HOLT AgriBusiness regional operations manager for North Texas. "Partnering with Tarleton State University's College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, in supplying our agricultural equipment, will foster our investment in this community as we strive to keep the agricultural industry thriving and growing in the region."