



**Facility Services Fall Project Update
October 14, 2022**

Block Hall Renovation Project Status Update

- Dowling Architects visited campus last week with laser equipment to create an as-built model of the existing building and layout. This model will be instrumental in our design work going forward.
- Ingraham Environmental performed an asbestos survey of the building. This survey will lead to a sampling analysis and plan to determine what level of asbestos abatement may be required.

Heating Plant Upgrade Project

- The installation of the new DA/Surge vessels, along with the mechanical and electrical construction are nearing completion. Putting the new DA/Surge vessels into operation requires that we make numerous piping connections from the new piping systems to the existing. This will require a total steam outage that will last approximately 8-10 hours. We are planning on this cut over between the new systems and existing to occur on October 26, 2022 from roughly 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- During this time, there will be no steam heat or hot water available on campus. This day could change by a day or two as we finalize the last few construction details. More information will be provided.

Main Hall Exterior Door Card Swipe System Installation

- Contractors are continuing work in Main Hall for the card swipe system. At this point, the wiring infrastructure is approximately 50% complete.
- Once the wiring has been run to all the doors, a different contractor will be on-site to install the electronic door hardware, terminate, and test. The current schedule is to have the system operational by Block 5.

Campus Interior/Exterior LED Lighting Upgrade Project

- Beartooth Lighting and Design visited campus October 13-14 to field verify all interior light fixtures and update drawings as needed.
- After field verification, Beartooth will begin the work of engineering design and specification to upgrade fixtures to LED with state of the art controls.
- Beartooth recently finished a similar project at MSU which allows us to utilize the specs and standards that MSU created and implemented.

*Future updates from Facility Services about the projects listed above and other upcoming projects will continue to be provided.
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