Staying Connected with Campus Services



In response to the question, "what do you miss most about being on campus," most respondents mention missing people—coworkers and friends, passersby on campus, and the energy you get from others. You miss the salad bar at '53 Commons, the creak of the floor as you walk across the Alumni gym lobby, and seeing the latest student fashions. For those returning to campus, there are happy faces and excited conversations.

Employee Kudos

Michelle Swanson, a grateful administrative assistant in the Chemistry department sent Rick Jaros the following compliment about her interactions with Paul White, a Science Facilities building maintenance worker. Way to go, Paul!

As you know I just began here in September. I have had to call on Paul many times for an array of reasons. EVERY time I have ever requested anything he has ALWAYS come through and done so with a BIG smile. He never complains, is always extremely polite and friendly. Even when it is something small, he always follows up from me to faculty to our students. He is a true asset to your department. He is a genuine pleasure to work with.

Thank you all for all your assistance!

Dining Considers Various Scenarios

While the College has announced plans to bring two undergraduate student classes per term back to campus, there are many unanswered questions about how Dartmouth Dining will feed them.

First and foremost, Dining must abide by NH state and CDC guidelines, but these are vague at this point and continually changing. To prepare, Dining managers are considering a number of possible scenarios and assumptions:

- To deliver food to students during the first 48-hours of their arrival on campus, until their COVID-19 test results are returned. For delivered meals, students would indicate their food preferences via an on-line app.
- To deliver food to students during their first 14-days for a full quarantine period.
- Does all food need to be "to go"?
- Will self-service not be permitted? Today, Dining employees must make salads, serve all beverages, and hand silverwear to students who are not permitted to serve themselves.

Planning for each scenario impacts staffing levels, food packaging, and decisions about how students might move in and around the dining venues. Many decisions must be made in just a few short weeks. Stay tuned.

Lazy, Hazy Summer

Bruce Plummer in the Fire Safety Systems Shop took several amazing photos of this bear hanging out in a tree next to Parkhurst.





Retirement Incentive Option

Don't forget. Dartmouth is currently offering a Retirement Incentive Option (RIO) for employees who have a minimum of ten consecutive years of service at Dartmouth, and where the combination of the employee's age and years of service is at least 75.

This one-time offer includes payment of six months' pay (including the 7% benefit, where applicable) or, for SEIU members, payment of Severance Pay provided for under Article XV, paragraph (a) of the Collective Bargaining Agreement, and the difference between their Severance Pay and six months of pay. A signed copy of the RIO Election Form and letter must be received by HR postmarked by **no later than August 14, 2020**. Individual and group consultation sessions are available through the <u>Benefits Office</u>.