

Staying Connected with Campus Services



This week's news that each graduating student may invite two guests to attend commencement or investiture ceremonies is exciting. This is a time of year when Dartmouth truly shines, thanks in large part to efforts by Campus Services employees. This will be an opportunity for us to shine once more. We can do this, team! Thanks, in advance, for your tremendous work to showcase the College in its best light.

Reduce Frequency of Testing

Faculty and staff who are fully vaccinated are encouraged to submit their vaccination information to Axiom Medical at <http://dartgo.org/vax>.

According to the Employee Vaccination FAQ's (<http://dartgo.org/vaxfaq>), "fully vaccinated employees in the Big Green testing group will be required to test once per week. Fully vaccinated employees in the Lone Pine testing group will be required to test every third time they are on-site, regardless of the time between visits. Lone Pine employees will continue to be prompted to schedule and complete a test in a timeframe consistent with this new cadence.

Sharing your vaccination information with Dartmouth is voluntary. If you choose not to share the information you will continue to complete the more frequent COVID testing as required by Dartmouth policy."

Here's the latest look at Dartmouth Hall where interior demolition continues in advance of a full renovation.



Well Done!

This note to project manager Lindsay Walkinshaw is from Liz Cassell, a department administrator in the newly refurbished Reed Hall.

I am writing to congratulate you and the builders on enveloping the basement from moisture. I checked Room 002, which was perennially damp and dank, and it is dry with good air quality. Please tell the building team that we are very pleased!!! We have been receiving much rain lately and there is absolutely no water in 002 basement room. Well done!

Work Control Staff

Employees in the Work Control Center include Phil Charbonneau, Veronica Giguere, Lynn Guthrie, Michelle Kekevia, Jen McGonis, Kathy Neily, Kaitlyn Christian and Robin Guay. Some names were mistakenly omitted from last week's newsletter.

Working Safely During COVID

The pandemic has created incredible upheaval in our work and, in some situations, it can be a challenge to work safely. Environmental Health & Safety (EHS) employees have been in the thick of it. From the earliest identification of coronavirus in the U.S., EHS has been out front partnering with other key college offices, looking at the science and trying to figure out the best way to keep the College community safe.

EHS employees participate on institution-wide committees tasked with developing policies and procedures for occupational and workplace functions, reviewing space management and campus reopening requests, and focusing to keep years-worth of research going during the College's early closure and ramp-up.

Interacting most often with Campus Services employees are Safety Specialist Mark Ewing and Environmental Specialist Ryan Gill who continue to perform the following functions:

- Play an integral part in management of COVID-related waste in areas such as quarantine- and isolation-designated dorms and testing facilities.
- Conduct "fit" testing for employees who may need specific respiratory protection due to the nature of their work which may have higher exposure to COVID. These employees can include first-responder custodians, equipment maintenance workers, troubleshooters, Dick's House employees, and members of the Skiway Patrol.
- Provide training on proper COVID safety precautions for employees in many departments, including custodial services, dining, and safety & security.
- Most importantly, Mark and Ryan pick up the slack in the office to allow other EHS employees to focus on new COVID responsibilities. Among other things, they answer all calls, respond to spills, conduct construction safety checks, and respond to all indoor air-quality assessments.



Ryan Gill of EHS demonstrates proper PPE use for transporting students who have tested positive for COVID-19.

EHS has taken an all-hands-on-deck approach to Dartmouth's response to the pandemic. In many ways, their proactive work has enabled the rest of us to perform our jobs safely and effectively. A sincere "thank you" to all EHS employees.