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Staying Connected with Campus Services

The annual influx of students arriving for the new year is already underway with athletes and Tuck students on campus and first-year trips beginning Sept. 4. The next few weeks will be a bit crazy. Be friendly, smile, and know that your work is invaluable to making campus operations run smoothly and safely. Thank you!



Catching Up with Access Control

Currently, the Access Control Shop (ACS) is hard at work preparing for the full return of students, faculty, and staff. Preparations include programming access levels, schedules, and time zones within the access control system to ensure appropriate electronic access control permissions for each building or building area for every individual on campus. Another major undertaking is providing safe and secure living spaces for students. By the time students arrive in Sept., over 150 locks will have been changed in residence hall doors and several hundred keys will be cut. Scoreboards and audio-visual equipment are also being tested and repaired as needed across indoor athletic facilities and playing fields.



This shows some Intelligent System Controller circuitry that enables door access when you present your ID badge to a card reader

The ACS team services every Dartmouth-owned building on and off campus and works closely with ORL, the Card Office, ITC, Safety and Security and Dartmouth College Athletics.

The shop consists of four technicians, Carl Longshore, Billy Lyons, Tracy Stone and Chris Vollmann, who have 85+ combined years of service to Dartmouth. They are all certified security-industry

professionals fluent in the installation, integration, programming, and maintenance of security systems and components including electronic access controls, intrusion detection systems, Video Management Systems (VMS), and locksmithing. Each of these individuals brings a specialized skillset to the department resulting in a collaborative and fun work environment.

ACS Supervisor Tom Garrity commented that he and Dartmouth are extremely fortunate to have such a professional and competent group of employees. "No matter what challenge comes along, this group has the work ethic, intelligence, and problem-solving skills needed to execute a positive resolution."

Note: Thanks to Tom Garrity for sharing this article.

Taking Stock of Our Sidewalks

Thanks to Luc Kharey '21, an EHS summer intern, who is assembling a campus-wide list of walking surfaces that need improvement. Specifically, Luc is looking for cracks, holes, and erosion across sidewalks, stairs, and other surfaces. At summer's end, this list will be shared with FO&M so that they can prioritize repairs. What a great way to contribute to campus safety and get in your steps!

Restart Timeclock use for Breaks

Effective Sept. 1, Dartmouth Dining employees should resume clocking in an out for their 30-minute breaks. Use of the Kronos timeclocks for break periods was halted at the beginning of the pandemic, but is being restarted for Dining employees only at this time.

Thornton Hall is Back On-line

Congratulations to project manager Lindsay Walkinshaw and the other FO&M team members who helped to renovate Thornton Hall over the last 9 months. The building is beautiful, inside and out, and will be wellloved by incoming students, faculty, and staff.



The renovation at Thornton was similar in scope and scale to recent capital renewal updates in the adjacent Reed Hall which were completed last fall. Both projects improved life safety systems, provided full accessibility to the building via new ramps and elevators, added air conditioning, and modernized the facility's heating and lighting systems. Significant classroom technology updates along with new paint, flooring and other finishes help make these buildings favorites among faculty and students alike.