

Facilities Daily 3/25/2020 – Issue #1

A newsletter highlighting and connecting the People and work of Facilities Management

People Purpose Pride Perseverance

The Covid-19 pandemic has had a tremendous impact on our campus and community. The people of UK Facilities Management remain the "boots on the ground" for UK, providing the essential services needed to keep our campus safe, secure, and positioned to respond to the evolving crisis. The strength each of you demonstrate daily is inspiring and represents such courage and compassion. We are in this together and we will get through it together. Thank you for everything you do. – Mary Vosevich, Vice President for Facilities Management



Campus and Medical Center Custodial staff have embraced the work of keeping our community healthy by rolling a new protocol to battle the Corona virus that involves cleaning critical touch points (doorknobs, hand rails, etc) in all campus buildings. These teams have also been hard at work distributing more than 10,000 of these cards asking faculty and staff to help keep offices and labs clean by wiping down surfaces and computers.



In addition to their regular duties, Maintenance and Operations staff have taken on the task of putting up 5000 of these decals in campus restrooms promoting healthy handwashing using the UK Fight Song. The melody to the fight song was written in 1922 by Carl Lampert, the first chair of UK's Department of Music. The lyrics were selected the following year through a contest won by student Troy Perkins who received a \$5 award.



President Capilouto released a special video message for the campus this week. The President highlighted efforts across campus, including **acknowledging the critical work being done by Facilities Management:** 

http://uknow.uky.edu/campus-news/special-message-uk-president-eli-capilouto

The University is also maintaining a website for the most recent updates on our response: https://www.uky.edu/coronavirus/updates

## More information:

Kentucky Governor Andy Beshear is conducting daily news briefings at 5 p.m., providing updates on the situation for our Commonwealth. The briefings are broadcast on many local TV stations and available to stream online.

The Commonwealth of Kentucky is also using this website as a hub for Covid-19 related information and resources: <a href="https://ky.gov">kycovid19.ky.gov</a>