

People

Purpose

Pride

Perseverance

I am struck by how strangely quiet our campus has become. We miss the vibrancy and company of our community in the halls of our buildings and along the sidewalks and green spaces of our beautiful grounds. Amid this quiet, the critical work of Facilities Management continues thanks to your dedication and hard work. This is not normal, and it can be hard and stressful. It is especially important in this time that we take care of ourselves and each other. Thank you for all you do. You make me proud every day.

-Mary Vosevich, Vice President for Facilities Management



The University's response to this public health emergency is coordinated through the Emergency Operations Center, or EOC. The EOC is staffed by representatives from many areas of campus and serves as the central nervous system for UK's response, ensuring coordinated and carefully considered actions and communications. To ensure key activities of the University continue without harmful disruption, the EOC requested and reviewed Business Continuity Plans (BCP) for dozens of these critical areas. **Utilities and Energy Management** received word from the EOC last week that they had "won the award for best BCP to date". Way to go UEM! **Ross Reasor** and **Jody Bandy** demonstrate a socially distant high five to celebrate.



Almost all dining locations on campus have closed due to the suspension of in-person classes. Champions Kitchen remains open with limited hours serving the students and staff still on campus. As a result, at least 30 UK employees from UK Dining will be onboarded by **Facilities Management** this week to assist our **Custodial** and **Grounds** teams. In 2016, when UK outsourced dining services, full time employees were given the option of transferring to employment with Aramark or retaining their status and benefits as UK Employees. The 30 folks we are onboarding this week are part of the group that elected to remain employees of the University while working for UK Dining. Thanks to **Mari Marsh**, **Stacy Borden**, **Valerie Carrico**, and **their teams** for integrating these co-workers with their teams!



Campus Recreation and Wellness is excited to offer virtual group fitness classes for all University of Kentucky students, faculty and staff. The group fitness classes are being taught through Facebook Live in a private group.

In order to gain access to these classes, participants must fill out the interest form at https://uky.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_4ZP3Q4LC9YH6ICt and then log onto Facebook, search for the group "UK Campus Recreation and Wellness Virtual Fitness," and ask to join the group. *From UKNow.*

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Facilities Fact:

There are more than 14,000 trees on campus!

Most of them are mapped and inventoried in this online tool:
<https://pg-cloud.com/UKY/>

UK Grounds Arboriculture Team manages our campus forest.

Covid 19 Resources:

<https://www.uky.edu/coronavirus/updates>

kycovid19.ky.gov

cdc.gov

Previous issues:

www.uky.edu/sustainability/FacilitiesDaily