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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

OUR PEOPLE.

OUR STORIES.



Planning, Design, and Construction teams are in the final phase of a nearly \$2 million project to provide historic restoration and repair to the Taylor Education Building (constructed in 1930). To date, our teams have replaced almost all windows with historically accurate windows, repaired the brick and foundation, repaired the slate roof/soffits/copper gutters, restored all exterior doors, and re-established the interior courtyards. The teams are currently in the final phase of window replacement and are renovating the tower and cupola (left). This work is part of a comprehensive, multi-year, campus-wide initiative to restore several of UK's historic buildings.





Facilities Management launched a multi-year project to upgrade the restrooms in the Whitehall Classroom Building this summer. The work will be completed in phases to keep the space operational by ensuring that adequate restroom capacity is available throughout the project. The reduced class sizes and hybrid course models planned for this fall will reduce pressure on the restroom facilities in the building, a small silver lining to the unprecedented situation caused by the pandemic. Far left, the original condition of the restrooms. Near left, active demolition of the restrooms on the eastside of the building on the first floor is nearly complete.



A look inside Champions Kitchen. The campus dining experience has also been reinvented to meet the challenges posed by reopening the campus during this public health crisis. UK Dining has adjusted their seating capacity to meet state/local guidelines. The number of tables has been reduced along with the number of chairs at each table. All of the stations have transitioned away from the self-serve model, and for the time being, they have paused the use of reusable plates, cups, and silverware. Facilities Management is supporting UK Dining in several capacities, including creating more than 1000 signs and floor decals and partnering with Dining to respond to the increased trash that will result from the single-use to-go containers. The green reusable to-go containers are still available and a great option for helping reduce waste.



The FM Daily is 100!

This is the 100th issue of our daily newsletter. Thank you for sharing your pictures and stories. Tomorrow's Photo Friday will look back at the collages you have helped create since we launched this initiative.