

*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*

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At the end of May the Rooftop Chiller that supplies the MRI's and CT scanners in Gill Heart Institute failed. A temporary rental chiller was brought in to feed these areas. **Medical Center Facilities Management Staff** worked quickly with engineers to specify a new chiller for replacement. The new chiller was lifted by crane into place on Sunday August 30. **GREAT WORK TO EVERYONE INVOLVED IN THIS EFFORT!**



The demolition of the Kirwan Blanding Complex continues on schedule. As you approach the area on Woodland Avenue, the towers are no longer visible above the oaks that line the walks. Last week, staff from **Utilities and Energy Management** permanently disconnected the final wires feeding the complex. At right, **Jacob Mendoza**, UEM High Voltage, worked on new cable supports in preparation of an access expansion in the area.



The final phase of utility replacement on Rose St got underway last week on the section between Washington Ave and Huguelet Dr. The area has been fenced off and a trench now bisects the road providing access to the underground utilities. This project, combined with the Library Drive Extension project profiled last week, paves the way for the permanent closure of Rose Street to all but emergency vehicles between Huguelet Dr. and Columbia Ave. The sidewalks on either side of the street remain open so pedestrian access to and through the area is unimpeded.

LABOR - DAY -

The University will be open on Labor Day (9/7)

Labor Day, the US holiday to celebrate the social and economic accomplishments of American workers, is typically a University Holiday. However, due to the pandemic-shortened semester, UK will be open on Labor Day this year. Faculty and Staff may use the Labor Day holiday as a supplement to vacation and holiday time through December 31, 2020. If you have questions about this please consult your supervisor.

