

## **Facilities Management Updates**

Facilities Management had a busy summer at Pitt-Johnstown. In addition to regular cleaning and maintenance of our facilities and hosting summer conference groups, several projects were done (some are still in progress!) to make our campus a better place to live and learn.

Some of these projects included recreation and lifestyle projects such as:

- A. Work in the Zamias Aquatic Center to drain, clean and repair tilework in the pool. The entire air handling and dehumidification system will be new by the end of September.

B.



- C. Hammock Gardens – there were two Hammock Gardens constructed on campus, one in the North Lodges and one near Maple Hall for students to relax in their hammocks.



North Lodge Hammock Garden



Maple Hall Hammock Garden

D. Maple and Student Union Basketball/Pickleball courts refurbishing – the basketball courts are getting a facelift to provide new basketball goals and newly surfaced and painted courts. These courts are also being marked to provide students with access to pickleball courts on campus.

E. A semi-permanent volleyball court is coming to University Square this fall.

Some infrastructure projects were included in the busy summer on campus. These include the following projects:

A. Replacement of the Biddle Hall roof and soffit/fascia. This project will be completed early in the fall 2024 semester. A summer-long delay in obtaining materials caused this project to not be completed during the summer months as planned.



New Biddle Hall Roofing

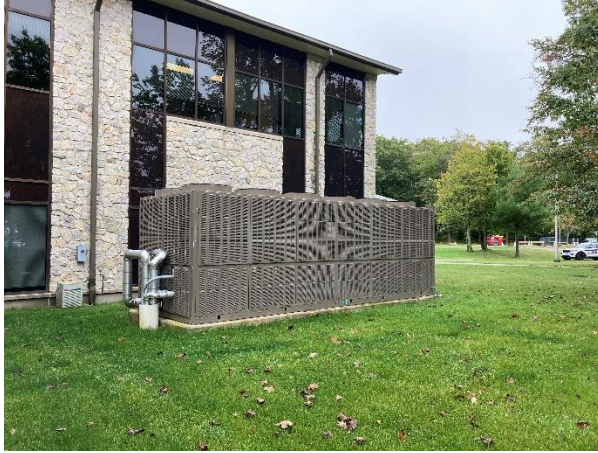
B. The Biddle Hall Chiller plant chillers had refrigerant leaks repaired and the associated cooling towers had new fans and shafts installed this summer.



Biddle Hall Cooling Tower and Chiller Plant



- C. The Blackington Hall air-cooled chiller and condenser were fully replaced in summer 2024.



Blackington Hall Condensing Unit



Blackington Hall Chiller

- D. A new large, retractable screen was installed in the Cambria Room. This retractable screen will allow for full usage of the room and improve the presentation capabilities in the Cambria Room.
- E. The campus “Door Blitz” program continues to make progress. All classroom and exterior doors are being fitted with ID card readers to increase the ability to secure campus buildings and provide access to campus community members.
- F. A complete fire detection, alarm and suppression review was completed to ensure that our fire safety systems are state of the art and provide the maximum level of protection to our campus community. Upgrades were made to older systems to achieve this goal, and more are still in progress.

Facilities Management does annual maintenance each summer to include things like residential building repairs, paving projects and pothole repair, dead tree removal, turf maintenance, exterior lighting inspection and bulb replacement among general building maintenance projects.