

Campus Planning and Facilities Update – Week of February 2, 2026 Update

Energy and Sustainability

With projections for continued low overnight temperatures, freeze protection was extended for this week. Our staff is monitoring the building management system remotely to ensure all systems are working properly. We have 24-hour staff coverage on all three campuses. We have experienced a few incidents of frozen pipes that resulted in water damage in a few buildings. Cleanup and repair efforts are currently underway.

Please be vigilant. If you notice that any of the heating is not working, or observe any leaks, please report it as soon as possible to limit any damage.

One Pace Plaza East Renovation

- Interior fit out work for the podium and Maria's Tower is progressing as per schedule.
- The electrical panels testing and verification associated with 1PPW is postponed tentatively to Monday March 30 during Spring Break, that would be followed by the final Plug and Pull test on March 31. The tests will be done during the day and involve intermittent power to the associated panels serving level 3rd & 4th floors at 1PPW, to identify the actual switch gear power source. This will be coordinated with the user groups to minimize impact. The final Pull the Plug operation is anticipated during the spring break targeting Tuesday March 31.

One Pace Plaza West

- The One Plaza Entrance is currently closed due to icy conditions on the 6th floor skylights. We are working on safely removing it to reopen the entrance.
- There is no natural gas service to the building. All repair work was completed on the 3rd floor science labs; revised drawings were approved by DOB during the holidays. DOB inspection in January passed the plumbing tests but the inspector had additional comments, we are in the process of addressing it. Con Edison gas authorization is pending modifications and resolution in the Gas Meter Room. Campus Planning and Facilities met with the Biology Department and provided the equipment needed for the gas alternative for Spring classes.
- On Friday February 6 and Saturday February 7 there will be painters on site to patch and repair walls damaged during the elevator construction. They will be working on the areas near the elevator call buttons on all floors.
- Last week elevators #1 and #2 were out of service due to issues with the door closers. Both have been fixed and fully operational.

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- Due to the extreme cold, the installation of the replacement window for the Bianco Room will be rescheduled.
- Repairs to the 2nd floor dining roll down gate are complete. All gates are now operable.

Fire Life Safety

- NYC and Pleasantville – Fire Life Safety Evacuation Drills will be performed within the next two weeks in all buildings. There will be unannounced drills to simulate emergency conditions.
- Annual NY State Fire Inspection – The Annual New York State Fire Inspection for the
- Westchester Campuses will be as follows:
 - Pleasantville – March 9–13
 - Haub School of Law – March 16–18

The NY Fire Inspector will check all buildings, including the Residence Halls. This is being coordinated with the Security and Residence Life Teams.

Pleasantville Campus

Kessel Student Center Chiller Replacement

The chiller plant replacement project was approved; work will begin this May and span for two years. There will be interruptions to the building starting this summer. The usually scheduled summer events will need to be relocated. Please work with Campus Planning & Facilities department to find suitable locations. Campus Planning will coordinate with all effected departments.

What to be expected?

This summer, 2026, the work will include installation of piping, structural steel, electrical conduit, etc. to prepare the building for the installation of the new equipment. Expect noise and dust during this phase. Summer 2026 work aims to minimize disruption during the academic year. Removal of the old chiller begins in October, with new equipment installed through the fall 2026 and Spring 2027 semesters. The new system will be operational by summer 2027. The timeline is aggressive and will be reviewed regularly. Any changes will be communicated promptly.

Where are we now?

The design team has completed its initial site review and is now focusing on selecting long-lead equipment and preparing drawings for this summer's work. A Request for Proposals for a Pre-construction Manager has also been issued to help keep the project on schedule and within budget. Campus Planning will be connecting with campus partners soon to set up an in-person meeting to review the timeline, discuss potential impacts, and address any questions.

Haub School of Law Campus -Preston Hall Roof Replacement

- Additional improvements are expected to continue through March 31, weather permitting.

Please note that two sections of scaffolding will remain in place until all work is finished.

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