

Campus Planning and Facilities Update – Week of March 16, 2026 Update

Energy and Sustainability

We recently completed the first cycle of our new food composting program at the Haub School of Law Cafeteria. The system dehydrates and grinds food waste overnight into a stable, nutrient-rich food ground. To date, we have diverted over 50 lbs of food waste from the landfill; these grounds will be utilized by students to enrich the soil in their vegetable garden this spring.

Elevator Use

We've seen an increase in elevator downtime across campus. While some issues are mechanical, others have resulted from improper use—specifically, objects obstructing elevator doors. We ask for everyone's help in preventing these disruptions. Small actions can make a big difference in keeping our elevators running safely and reliably for the entire campus community, see flyer attached. Thank you for your cooperation and support.

One Pace Plaza East Renovation

- Electrical panels testing and verification associated with 1PPW is scheduled during Spring Break. The work will commence on Saturday, March 28. through Sunday evening. Facility is planning to test connectivity of panels once the pull the plug is completed by 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, March 29. The tests will be done during the day and involve intermittent power to the associated panels serving level 3rd and 4th floors at 1PPW, to identify the actual switch gear power source. The dates have been coordinated with the user groups and departments.
- FDNY has scheduled a Fire Alarm inspection for 1 Pace Plaza East on March 20, 24, and 25. There may be some audible alarms during the inspection that can be heard on the West side.
- The turnstiles installation at the 9 Spruce Street entrance has been rescheduled during the upcoming Spring Break.
- The DOB inspection for Local Law 11 FISP was completed last week and sign off is expected in upcoming weeks, that will allow to take down the fence on Spruce Street.

One Pace Plaza West

- The weight room repairs are completed and the space reopened on Friday.
- There is no natural gas service to the building. Con Edison has been onsite to review the gas lines and the Con-Ed point of entry to the building. Pace has been authorized to perform required repairs on the interior of the meter room. Once those repairs are complete and signed off, Con-Ed will approve restoration of the gas service.

- There is ongoing work to prepare the building for TCO inspections. There will be contractors doing drywall and access door work on the 3rd and 6th floors and various stairwell doors in the upcoming weeks.

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- Installation of the replacement window for the Bianco Room is being scheduled during spring break. The contractors will be on site Friday, March 27 to install a lift on the 6th floor Terrace. Nassau Street will be closed to pedestrians for part of the day on Saturday, March 28. There will be a flagger directing traffic.
- Additional Work scheduled for Spring Break includes: Glass partition installation/ replacement at the 6th floor pasta station & Ansul system repairs at the cellar level kitchen.
- Residence operable window repairs - the vendor will be onsite to address some of the most critical operating window issues during Spring Break. This work will likely be performed between Saturday, March 28 – Tuesday, March 31. Res Life will help co-ordinate access to the student rooms. To facilitate the completion of this work, all items will need to be cleared from the windowsills for the rooms affected.

41 Park Row

- NYC Department of Design and Construction is starting public road/sidewalk work on March 9 on the Spruce St and Nassau St crossing (southeast corner) to modify the sidewalk to incorporate a pedestrian ramps and utilities upgrade. Pedestrian sidewalk will be restricted around the work area. and some noise will be expected. This work by the City is outside of Pace's projects.

Fire Life Safety

- The Annual New York State Fire Inspections for the Pleasantville campus has been completed. The inspector will be at Haub Law School this week.

Pleasantville Campus

Kessel Student Center Chiller Replacement

The chiller plant replacement project will begin this May and span for an entire year. There will be interruptions to the building starting this summer; events will likely need to be relocated. Please work with Campus Planning & Facilities department to find suitable locations.

What to be expected?

This summer, 2026, the work will include installation of piping, electrical conduit, etc. to prepare the building for the installation of the new equipment. Expect noise and dust during this phase. 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.

Where are we now?

The design team continues to work on the drawings which are on schedule to be issued for bid on April 30.

Haub School of Law Campus - Preston Hall Roof Replacement

- The contractor continues the work, scaffolding will remain in place until all work is finished.

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