



WAKE FOREST
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Facilities and Campus Services

A Message from President Hatch

January 12th, 2021

President Hatch sent a message with important updates for the Wake Forest community on the spring semester schedule and COVID-19 vaccine distribution.

Read the full message from President Hatch at ourwayforward.wfu.edu.

HELPS

Healthy Weight For You Program

This six month weight management program is offered to full time, permanent WFU employees free of charge. The program offers a combination of weight loss strategies and techniques to help individuals reach their goals with weekly group sessions, physical function assessments, and weekly guidance provided by staff and students in the Health & Exercise Science department.

Contact Sophie Peters at petesl19@wfu.edu if interested.

RIDE Workshops workshops for inclusive excellence

Join the Office of Diversity and Inclusion and learn about WFU's commitment to diversity, inclusion, and equity while gaining the skills necessary to bring these values back to your department.

Visit go.wfu.edu/wnv/ for more info.

DEAC Allies LGBTQ+ education and skill building

DEAC Allies is offering workshops for those interested in learning how to respectfully navigate and collaborate with the diverse LGBTQ+ community at WFU.

Visit the [PDC website](https://pdc.wfu.edu) for class offerings.

F&CS Elect

If you have a story about a Facilities employee going above and beyond, nominate them for F&CS Elect [on the Facilities website](#).

FACILITIES & CAMPUS SERVICES

Green Zone Recycling

Sophie Wimberley, our Waste Reduction Specialist in Facilities & Campus Services, has introduced a new textile waste redirection project to 4 of our buildings on campus. It is called Green Zone, and helps to redirect the clothing and textile waste that would not otherwise be able to be donated.

The issue of textile waste is a prevalent one, with landfills receiving more than 11 million tons of MSW textiles in 2017, totalling 8 percent of all MSW landfilled. Dumping textiles in landfills is especially damaging since they can take over 200 years to decompose. Additionally, the volume of clothing that people in America throw away annually has doubled in the last 20 years, jumping from 7 to 14 million tons.

Sophie Wimberley has recognized this need and initiated the Green Zone pilot in an attempt to find the most convenient solution for our community. Started in early November, this 3 month pilot program will provide campus with a year round solution to textile waste. Uniforms or clothing with Wake Forest logos and graphics cannot be donated or sold in consignment shops, so the Green Zone initiative provides a sustainable way to redirect these items from the landfill. Recycled textiles are made into washrags, insulation material, toys, and other necessary products to be redistributed into our community.

The Green Zone bins are open for student, staff, faculty, and community use year round. There are 4 collection stations located across campus in convenient locations. The bins can be found in the Benson Mail Room, Polo Residence Hall, North Campus Dining, and Luter Residence Hall. For more information about this project and process, reach out to Sophie Wimberley in Facilities & Campus Services.



Idea City Winston Salem

On Decemebr 10th, the City of Winston-Salem hosted a collaborative IdeasCity program highlighting our very own Facilities department. The virtual panel discussion was a lively talk about our "From the Ground Up" performance. Presenters included Allison Orr, John Shenette, Stephanie Poskin, Kobak Taylor, Cynthis Wilson, and Mat Crawford. Keep an eye out for more virtual "From the Ground Up" events throughout the year.



Projects

The following Capital Projects were completed despite the recent restrictions that campus has undergone due to COVID.

Practice Football Field



Greene Hall



Reynolda Crosswalk



Downtown Engineering



Bucket Truck

Facilities staff can now serve campus from new heights with the 2021 Freightliner Chassis bucket truck equipped with a Terex XTPRO 60/70 Aerial Device.

Jim Mussetter, University arborist, shares the benefits of having this new tool to work with.

This new bucket truck will enable us to perform our duties more safely. Most of the mature trees on campus are well above 50 feet in height. The old bucket truck only extended to a height of 50 feet, so some tree care operations had to be performed over head, or would be contracted out, depending on the risk level. With the extended reach of the new aerial lift, more of our work can be done at, or below shoulder level. The new lift also has four outriggers making it more stable while working at height. The extra reach will allow us to perform tree maintenance that had previously been out of reach. An example of this would be trimming back Willow Oak limbs overhanging Reynolda Hall's roof, or removing a dead limb that is 70 feet high. Not only does the new machine make our work safer and more efficient, but it allows us to make a safer campus for students, faculty, and staff.

After operating the lift today, I can tell you that it is absolutely more stable and smooth than the old bucket truck and we can't wait to put it to use. This bucket truck creates a new and improved level of tree maintenance.

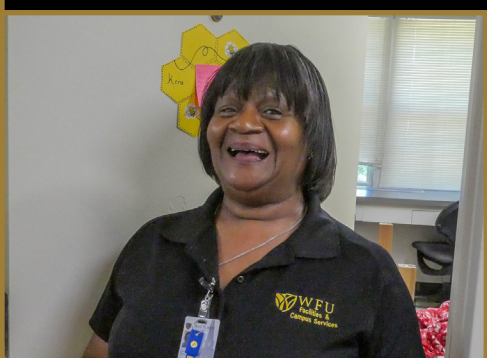




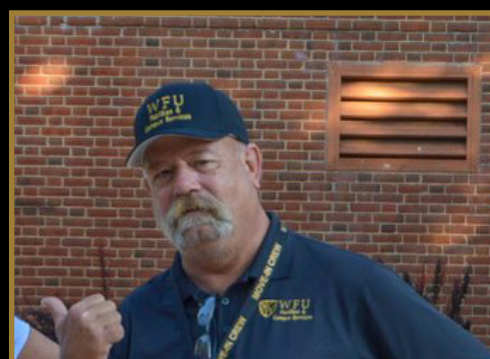
Congratulations Early Retirees



The following Facilities & Campus Services staff members have left the University and entered an early retirement. We appreciate their service to both Wake Forest University and to our department.



Janice Schuyler
Melvin Lee
Rufus Johnson
Benny O'Neal
Judy Dunovant
Sonia Carpio
Mary Jefferson
Phil Atkins
David Norris
John McCrowell
Willie Lennon
Tanya Johnson



We wish them farewell and the absolute best as they embark on new adventures.



Welcome New Staff

Justin McClannon - Construction
Clay Thompson - Construction
Konrad Gannon - Landscape Services at
Reynolda Village
Jacob Montgomery - Landscape Services

Service Milestones

5 years
Daniel Brayak
Greg Cooke

10 years
Sean Brittain

Congratulations

Jimmy Shupe's promotion to
Carpenter II.

Jay Huffman's promotion to
Foreman.

Summer Immersion & Exploration

The Summer Immersion and Summer Exploration programs have in person and online options for middle schoolers through rising college first years to explore career pathways and academic fields while exploring the Wake Forest campus. WFU faculty and staff get great discounts on these programs. Scholarships are also available for applicants to these summer programs.

Learn more:

[Summer Immersion Program](#)
[Summer Exploration Program](#)

OPERATING STATUS: ORANGE

Modified Campus Operations
Confirmed on-campus COVID-19 cases have increased.

Impacted individuals are isolating.
Continue following public health guidelines.

Our Way Forward

Campus status remains at Orange: Modified Campus Operations.

For the spring 2021 semester, undergraduate students are required to fulfill four pre-arrival tasks, as outlined below:

- Complete the pre-arrival testing process.
- Self-quarantine and monitor for symptoms for 14 days prior to accessing campus or other Wake Forest facilities.
- Resume using the SneezeSafe tool for daily symptom screening for 14 days prior to accessing campus or other Wake Forest facilities.
- Provide flu vaccination documentation in the Student Health Portal or receive an exemption.



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Birthdays

January

01/05 Kevin Badgett
01/06 Elisa Torrez Avila
01/06 Larry Love
01/10 Tiffany Ray
01/18 Shay Siscoe
01/19 Nathan Matthews
01/19 Paul Sheff
01/20 Martin Rabb
01/27 Cynthia Wilson
01/28 Patrick Johnston
01/28 Doug Davis
01/30 Stephen Calcutt

February

02/01 Tim Cooke
02/01 Stephanie Poskin
02/01 Byron Nail
02/02 Candelaria Zarate
02/04 Frankie Fant
02/04 David Moore
02/06 Michael Woodard
02/09 Steve Pinkos
02/09 Chris Poe
02/13 Andrew Norton
02/22 Cecil Tabor
02/22 Teresa Bowles
02/23 Joseph Bailey
02/24 Demetrius Richardson

March

03/01 Tamara Todd
03/02 Ederma Pelaez De
Herrera
03/03 Jeremy Rice
03/05 Wendy Wooten
03/08 Adriana Salamanca
03/09 Gary Samuels
03/11 Seth Looney
03/11 Gordon Davis
03/18 Jorge Cherry
03/19 Ron Whitlock
03/20 Robert Tally
03/21 Matt Murray
03/21 Bobby Mabe
03/22 Brett Hewitt
03/22 Trina Forrest
03/23 Ben Venable
03/24 Mike Draughn
03/24 Matt Gfeller
03/25 Alan Winkler
03/27 Darrell Grieser
03/29 Drew Harris
03/29 Clay Thompson