



Our newsletter this month is brief but we wanted to share a few items of interest before the holiday break.



F&S will have minimal staff on campus over the break to allow everyone to have a much needed rest and time with their families. Building Engineers will be on campus to maintain and monitor our building systems. They will also be on site with our Carpenters to complete a sink repair in the Cox Childcare Center.

If there is an emergency situation (a threat to life, health, safety, or property), call the **Campus Police at 217-206-7777**. They will be available to respond and will call in appropriate personnel and services as needed.

Construction Highlights

UHB Boiler Replacement. We have three primary hot water boilers in University Hall that have reached their end of life. These boilers work in unison to provide a comfortable environment for working and learning as well as hot water for hand washing and cleaning. Our tentative installation for these new units is over the holiday break. However, current delays in manufacturing and shipping may push the project into early January. Keep an eye on email and Campus Announcements for updates!

Sidewalk Replacement by VPA. Work on the new section of sidewalk adjacent to VPA continues. We expect the sidewalk will be finished and open for business when everyone returns from break.

PAC Concourse. Work is moving ahead at full steam. New exterior light poles are going up in the coming days and we expect to reach substantial completion by January 7, 2022.

Biomechanics Lab. The budget approval has been



Preparing for the sidewalk installation near VPA

completed for a new biomechanics lab in WUIS. This will expand the lab offerings of the Allied Health program. Many thanks to Drs. Weuve and Yom in working through the crucial planning phases!

Motor Pool

Tolls and university vehicles. University vehicles are not equipped with a transponder so what do you do if you find yourself approaching a toll plaza when traveling?

Your best options are to either pay tolls as you go or pay online at your first opportunity. To pay online, simply visit the Illinois Tollway website within 14 days of missing a toll. Paying online is safe and secure, and will avoid additional fees and fines. Invoiced tolls, fees, and fines from the Illinois Tollway will be charged to your department.



Are you planning a trip but are unsure what tolls, if any, may be on your route? The Illinois Tollway has a Trip Calculator on their website that helps you plan your trip as well as calculate your tolls before you hit the road!

Visit the Illinois Tollway website at <https://www.illinoistollway.com> to use these features and to learn more.

Please contact Cindy Ervin at 217-206-6531 or by email at cervi1@uis.edu if you have any questions.

Parking Operations

SMTD Bus Route Changes: Just a reminder that the SMTD Bus Route, currently located outside of Founder's Residence Hall, will resume its normal route in the PAC teardrop in the next few weeks. Be on the lookout for a formal announcement!



The construction remodel has provided additional lanes within the teardrop. The lane nearest the PAC entrance will be used for vehicle passenger drop-off and pick-up while the other lane, nearest the grassy interior, will be used for the SMTD bus stop.

Visit the SMTD website, [SMTD | Bus Tracker](#), to check estimated arrival times, view the bus locator map, or use their trip planner.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Parking Operations at parking@uis.edu.

 *Happy New Year!*



As we look forward to the new year and the new faces that will join our team in 2022, we want to share our thanks and gratitude for our supportive, kind, and generous campus community!

From all of the F&S family,
we wish you and your families a happy, safe, and pleasant holiday.
See you in 2022!



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