

Dear Yellow Jackets,

You are an invaluable part of the Georgia Tech community, and we know how much your organizations rely on you for leadership and information. Since we are also students and know the struggle, the Student Center Expansion Committee wants to share important information regarding **the Student Center closing on May 31**. Please read below for answers to some frequently asked questions and share the info with other students!

What's New?

The new Campus Center will include 5 buildings in total: the Exhibition Hall, two Pavilions, Café, and the current Student Center. The Exhibition Hall includes a new ballroom that is twice the size of the current ballroom, plenty of meeting space, with some meeting rooms including wooden flooring, and the GT Catering kitchen. The Pavilions will be comprised of a larger space for Paper & Clay and Student Services. Rising Roll Café will be housed in the Pavilions as well.

The renovated Student Center will have two theatres, one with a focus on performance space, new student co-working space (including spaces specifically for orgs already housed in the Student Center as well as reservable spaces and rooms for other organizations), a food court with larger seating, a graduate lounge, and a reflection/interfaith space. Additionally, the LGBTQIA+ Resource Center and Student Publications will be moving into the renovated building! The landscape surrounding the Student Center will also be changing, including a new terrace and fountain around the Campanile.

How Long Will the Student Center Be Closed?

Currently, the project is in Phase I, while all the new buildings are being constructed. Once complete, Phase II will begin, and the current Student Center will be closed for approximately two years and is anticipated to re-open Fall 2022. In the meantime, the Pavilions and Exhibition Hall will be converted into a transition space that will maintain most of the current Student Center's functionality. Once the project is complete, most current functions will be moved back to the Student Center over the summer, and the full Campus Center should open in Fall 2022.

What is Closing?

As Phase II begins in June, services in the current Student Center will be shut down. All essential services will be moved into temporary spaces in the Exhibition Hall for the duration of Phase II (approx. 2 years beginning June 2020). These essential services include the Post Office, dining services (including Chick-Fil-A and Panda), catering, Burdell's and event services, among others.

Other services will not be offered in the temporary space, including Tech Rec, Paper and Clay, Dunkin Donuts, Auntie Anne's, Subway, and Under the Couch. Some of the spaces (including Tech Rec and Paper and Clay) will reopen when construction is complete in Fall 2022.

What's Going on with the Food Options?

There will still be a multitude of food options available during the transition period in Phase II. There will be a number of Aramark concepts in the transition space, as well as Chick-Fil-A and Panda Express. Additionally, there will be a Rising Roll café adjacent to the Pavilions.

How Will I Receive Mail?

Georgia Tech will be moving to a high-density mailing system, which will remove mailboxes for regular postage. Instead, all mail received will trigger an email notification. This transition is planned to occur over the summer, and there should be minimal downtime in Post Office function. Please clear out your mailboxes before the end of the Spring semester.

Will There Be Other Spaces Available to Reserve?

All currently reservable rooms in the current student center (Wenn and Stamps) will be closed after May 29th, 2020. New reservable space in the Exhibition Hall will be available from August 31, 2020 and are available to reserve now! [See all the reservable spaces here.](#)

How Does My Org Move Out?

Move out for most organizations that are located in the current Student Center and have a temporary space is planned for the week of May 4th. Boxes will be provided earlier for packing up. Additionally, Georgia Tech will take care of moving them into the transition spaces for each organization. However, you are free to hang on to more delicate items and move them yourself.

We appreciate your patience and understanding, and we are grateful for your leadership on campus. **Please pass this information along to everyone in your organizations** and be on the lookout for more information in the first weeks of March! If you have more questions, please check out the [Campus Center Project webpage](#) or send us an [email](#). Thank you!

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