

Recreation and Housing Services: 2005-2006 Strategic Goal Status

Strategic Goal # 1: Establish Recreation Center as a viable classroom for current and future academic programs.

This goal has been achieved through acquiring instructional equipment (laptop, projector, cart and screen, tables and chairs) for the aerobics room. As a result, 8 sections of 5 new courses in Physical Education and Agriculture are being taught at the Rec Center for the Fall, 2006 semester. Though total Rec Center attendance increased by over 7,000 for (9.6% increase) for the 2005-2006 school year, the courses have been added to morning and early afternoon time slots when Rec Center usage is light.

Strategic Goal # 2: Develop Kirkwood hosted forum or chat room for prospective students to connect and interact with potential roommates.

This goal was achieved in January, 2006. The site had over 5,000 visits from the launch in January until the start of the fall semester. A total of 398 forum posts were made across 132 different topics.

Strategic Goal # 3: Develop interactive wellness website to allow users to customize a fitness and nutrition plan.

This goal is still in progress. Established websites were researched, as were several different software options. Based upon cost analysis and upon recommendations of the Kirkwood Wellness Committee, options were examined to improve the information and options available on the Wellness website. Updates to the website have occurred over the summer of '06 and will continue through the Fall '06 semester. In addition, more information from, and connection to, the Wellmark Blue Cross and Blue Shield wellness site will be provided.