The following are pictures from the week ending in 05.06.22 in regards to the CLRC Renovations and Additions Project. Finishes are happening everywhere on the 2nd floor, and now in the basement as well. Nearly half the floor has received new ceilings and flooring. Also, more casework and cabinetry has been installed including the first of the new teaching stations in the classrooms. Framing and wallboard are finishing up on the 1st floor as those areas are prepped for finishes. Both new entrance canopies are now framed and can be finished. The elevator modernization portion of the project continues to progress nicely. All the new machinery is in place along with the new doors, and now the focus will be on installing the new platform and cab. Preparation work for the fire curtain for the west stair is coming along nicely. In the next few weeks more of the site work necessary to finish the project will get underway including installation of the last remaining portions of the storm sewer system, and the new sidewalks.

Photo #1 shows the beginnings of the work necessary to install the new suspended acoustical tile ceiling system in the basement corridors. Here you can see one of the contractors installing the edge track where the ceiling meets the existing block walls. With all the edge track in place next week the remaining portions of grid can be placed.

Photo #2 was taken in one of the existing classrooms along the north corridor in the basement. Here you can see the progress of the refurbishment of this room. Not only is the new ceiling grid in, but now the new carpet squares and rubber wall base as well. All the new casework for the new teaching stations for the basement has arrived and will start to be installed next week.

Photo #3 highlights the progress of the installation of all the new machinery and electronic controls for the new replacement elevator. Featured in the photo is the new hydraulic unit that raises and lowers the plunger that raises and lowers the cab within the shaft.
Photo #1 was taken inside the library near the reference desk and shows the progress for the bulkhead that will be above the reference desk and seating area in the entry. Here you can see the bulkhead is starting to receive its finished wood veneer.

Photo #2 was taken near the west stair tower and shows the progress of the installation of the framing for the pocket for the emergency fire curtain (towards the left hand of the picture where the stair landing is). Also, one can see in this photo that more of the base support track for the new stair railing system is nearly complete.

Photo #3 highlights the progress of the work in the library near the area of the new huddle rooms along the south side. Here you can see the wallboard in place and now taped and mudded. Once sanding is complete these walls will be painted.

Photo #4 shows one of the many areas on the first floor where some of the necessary preparations are being made to the existing slab to receive the future floor finishes. Here you can see where some thin set concrete has been used to help create a smooth transition of an area where there was a difference in flooring heights. This is so that once the new carpet planks are installed there will be no unintentional trip hazards for building occupants.
Photo #1 was taken near the kitchenette in the new H/SS Division Office Suite. Here you can see all the new cabinetry in place along with the new countertops. The closer end is where all the adjustable shelving will be placed that will serve as mail slots for the faculty, and then at the far end will be where the sink, microwave, and refrigerator will be installed.

Photo #2 features one of the many new teaching stations that are being installed in all the classrooms and computer labs throughout the building. These new teaching stations are set up in the new format that has been recently installed in other renovations around campus thus making all of them standardized. This way when faculty have to teach in any of the buildings the setup will all be familiar to them as they will all be the same.

Photo #3 highlights one of the new offices in the H/SS Division Office Suite. Here you can see not only is the new ceiling and LED lighting now installed, but now the new flooring and wall base as well. The existing covers for the radiant heating unit along the wall has been painted to match and now the room is ready for furniture.

Photo #4 was taken near the west stair tower and shows the progress of the installation of the framing that will form the pockets for the fire curtains on this floor. On the 2nd floor there are two curtains that deploy that will enclose the stair tower in case of a fire emergency. The far wall will receive furring channels and then wallboard as part of the work in this area.