The following is the first report for our next capital improvement project, and that is the renovations and additions to the Campbell Learning Resources Center. This project is slated to last approximately twelve months and entails some major upgrades to this structure. One of the first buildings on Main Campus, this building will be receiving some significant upgrades in the way of safety, accessibility, instructional technology, and energy efficiency. Some highlights for the project include eliminating all barriers for those who have any sort of physical limitation or mobility issues; upgrading the building envelope and lighting systems for increased energy efficiency; all new A/V technology; a transformational reboot of the Library; new dedicated spaces for student publications; new building safety measures such as security cameras, door access controls, and a new all encompassing fire sprinkler system. The building is currently being emptied now and construction is slated to complete by the first of July 2022 so that it can reopen for classes beginning the subsequent Fall Semester.

Photo #1 shows the site preparation that has been done already to prepare the installation of the new entry system on the west side of the first floor, as well the erection of the new entrance canopy and landscaping walls. This is part of the effort to change the ‘back door’ on the west side of the building into a new ‘front door’ off of Lot 7.

Photo #2 shows the progress of removing the existing finishes in the current Library. Here you can see the suspended ceiling tile and grid are being removed as well as the existing lighting being disconnected. Next the existing broadloom carpet will be removed to make way for new framing and finishes as part of the overall transformation of the building.

Photo #3 shows one of the masonry contractors installing new concrete masonry units (cmu) to block off the two old entries into the east stairwell. This area will then be clad in metal furring strips and wallboard to finish as this will be where a new conference room for use by employees or students will be located. A new single width door will be cut into the west wall of the stairwell (not seen in this photo) for means of access to that area.
Photo #1 was taken in one of the existing classrooms. In all the classrooms that are being updated they will receive new finishes (ceiling and LED lighting, flooring, furniture, and A/V technology). All of the entryways will also be updated to meet with new accessibility code guidelines.

Photo #2 shows what is left of the space that used to be the Learning Assistance Lab (LAL) and Disabilities Services. This area will be divided up into a new classroom, building circulation, and offices.

Typical for the entirety of the second floor is that the asbestos abatement has been completed, and all materials that were of concern removed to ensure a healthier interior building environment for all occupants.

Photo #3 highlights the progress of the demolition work happening in the existing offices. This area used to divided up for the Dean of H/SS Division and the Administrative Assistant. You can see that similar to the adjacent classrooms all existing finishes have been removed.

Photo #4 was taken in the south corridor looking east. Similar to the rest of the second floor all of the old finishes have been removed along with the required abatement completed. Now the contractors are focusing on disconnecting all of the existing HVAC and electrical connections in order to allow for wall demolition and eventually new construction as much of the second floor will be rearranged to better fit the new spaces being programmed in that area.
Photo #1 is of the first floor landing in the west stair well. Here one can see that the existing supplemental unit heater has been removed so that the wall it use to reside in can be removed per the new plans developed by the architect for the project.

Photo #2 shows some of the old cmu wall removed in the basement near the men’s restroom exposing the plumbing for the lavatories in that space. Rather line the existing galvanized steel domestic hot and cold water lines it was more cost efficient to simply re-plumb the building, which that process started in this particular location.

Photo #3 shows the corner of the existing mechanical room in the basement where the new janitor’s closet will be constructed. Using GPR (ground penetrating radar) the contractor has noted the location of all the existing utilities and infrastructure located under the slab prior to the removal of the existing concrete floor slab and associated excavation.

Photo #4 is not shown on the map on this sheet but instead simply highlights the fact that there is a lot of asbestos abatement associated with this project. In this building a lot of the floor tile and joints in the domestic and HVAC plumbing lines are all being abated. This picture highlights how the process is done with the contractors setting up secure negative pressure enclosures to ensure no possible contaminated airborne particles can migrate to other parts of the building while the offending material is being removed.