Monroe County Community College: Campbell Academic Center Renovations

Focused Renovations to Generate

Varying Opportunities for Interaction and Learning



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Project Timeline:

Design: Mid-2020 – July 2021

Construction: August 2021 to August 2022

Client:



Design Team:



**Consulting Engineers:** 









**Construction Manager:** 



General Contractor:



Constructed: 1968

One of Original Buildings on Campus

#### Home to:

- Library
- Humanities / Social Sciences Division
- 16+ Classrooms & Computer Labs
- Art Collection
- The Black Box Theater
- Monroe County Middle College



#### **Project Goals:**

- Improve campus connections / circulation
- Increase student use
- Provide student study & social spaces
- Improve student programs
  - Writing Center / Tutoring
  - Student Publications
  - Lounge / Gallery
- Provide for varying Teaching & Learning modalities
- Solve legacy ADA, safety, and security issues



# Existing Conditions



















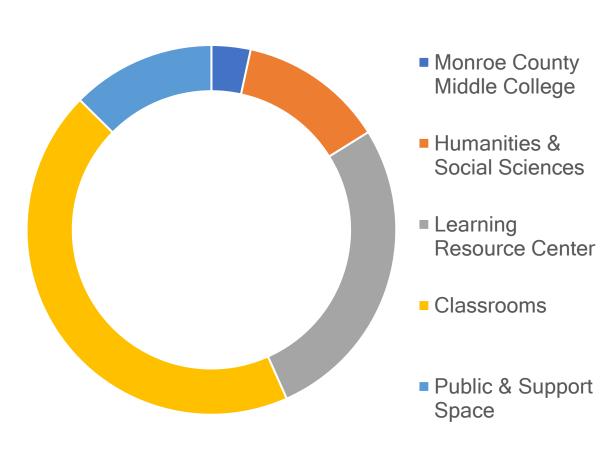


# Learning Assistance Lab





# Design Strategies



### Planning + Design Priorities

#### Wayfinding + Campus Connections

- Provide new entrances aligning with campus circulation routes
- Create an entrance to the MCCC campus from a major parking area

#### Classroom spaces

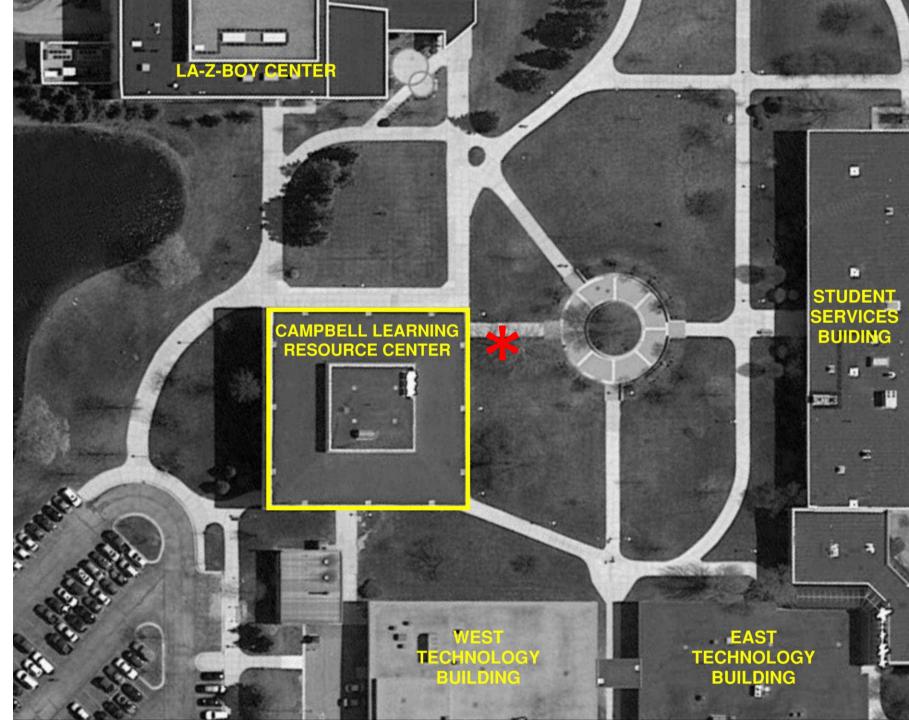
- Maintain the current count of 13 classrooms
- Add more classrooms if possible

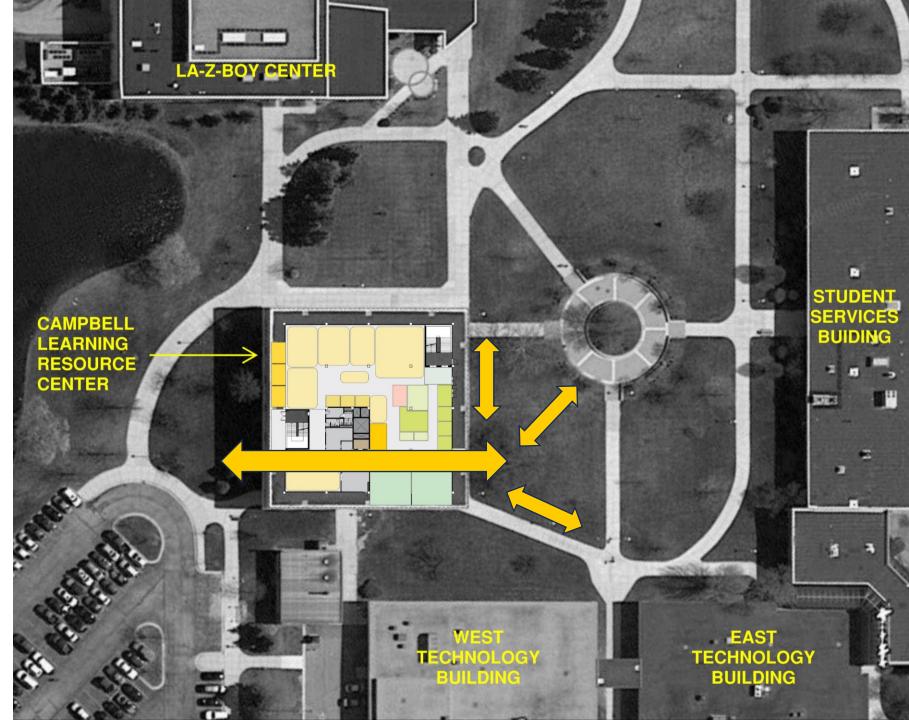
#### **Student Spaces**

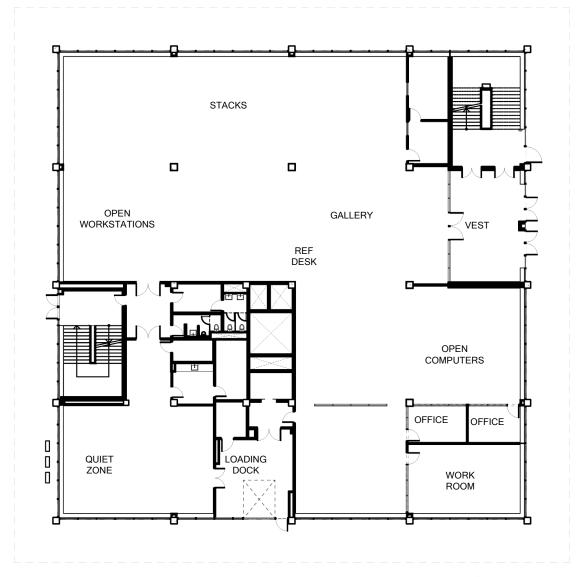
- Provide spaces for students between classes
- Encourage lingering and make social spaces where students want to stay on-campus
- Increase use of the Learning Resource Center

#### Maintain Space Efficiency

- Avoid redundancy
- Add space to the building where needed to add crucial program spaces









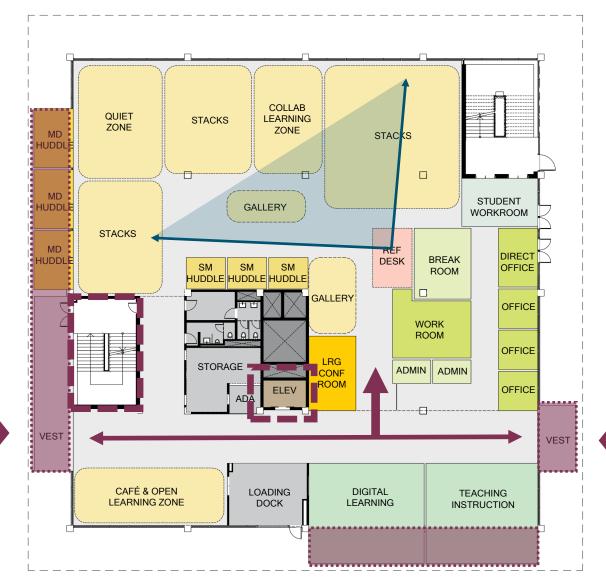
- New main entry located adjacent to parking
- New campus-facing entry added with direct connection to main entry
- Clear Security / Checkpoint







- New Elevator Location
- Open Stairway / Improved Connection Between Floors
- Improved Visual
   Connection and Control
   from Reference Desk
- 2,000 SF of additions
  - Huddle Rooms
  - Digital Learning
  - Teaching Instruction

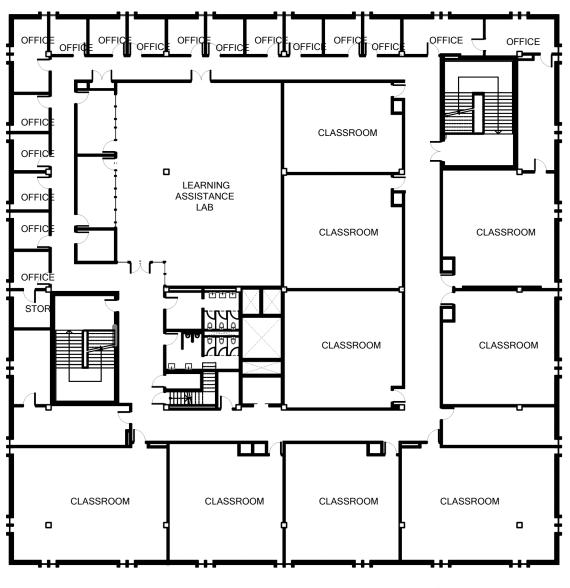




## Conceptual Rendering of Pedestrian Connection into Learning Commons







- Open west stairway as a main circulation path between floors
- Provide an open area at the top of the stairs for use as a gallery and student gathering space
- Relocate Writing Center and Student Publications areas closer to main student circulation areas
- Relocate Humanities offices to a "suite" configuration with dedicated reception area and attached lounge
- Maintain existing classroom count











# Cutting Edge Features

## Sustainable Features:

- LED Lighting / New Lighting Controls
- Energy Upgrades
- Geothermal Tie-In
- New Roof
- New Low-E Insulated Glazing
  - (Many existing glass units had failed seals)
- Increased Natural Light to building interior
- Sealed Air Leakage at Exterior Soffits









## Transition to Group Learning:

- Active Learning
- Flexible Furniture
- Student Huddle Rooms
- Improved A/V
- Library to Resource Center
- Utilitarian to Destination Learning
- Addressing Student Needs of Today





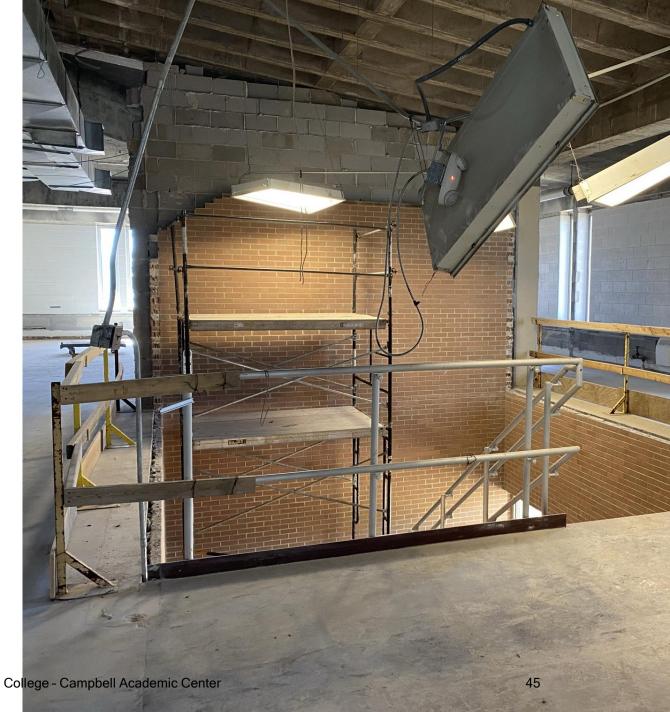




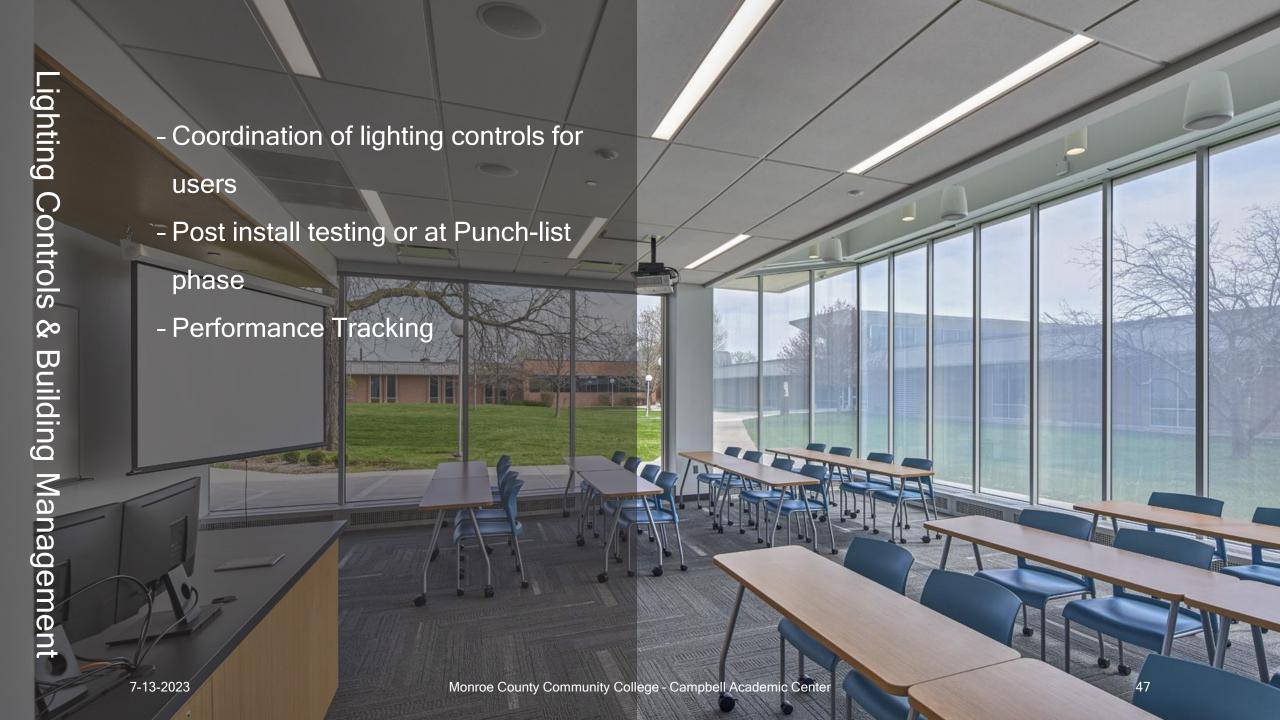


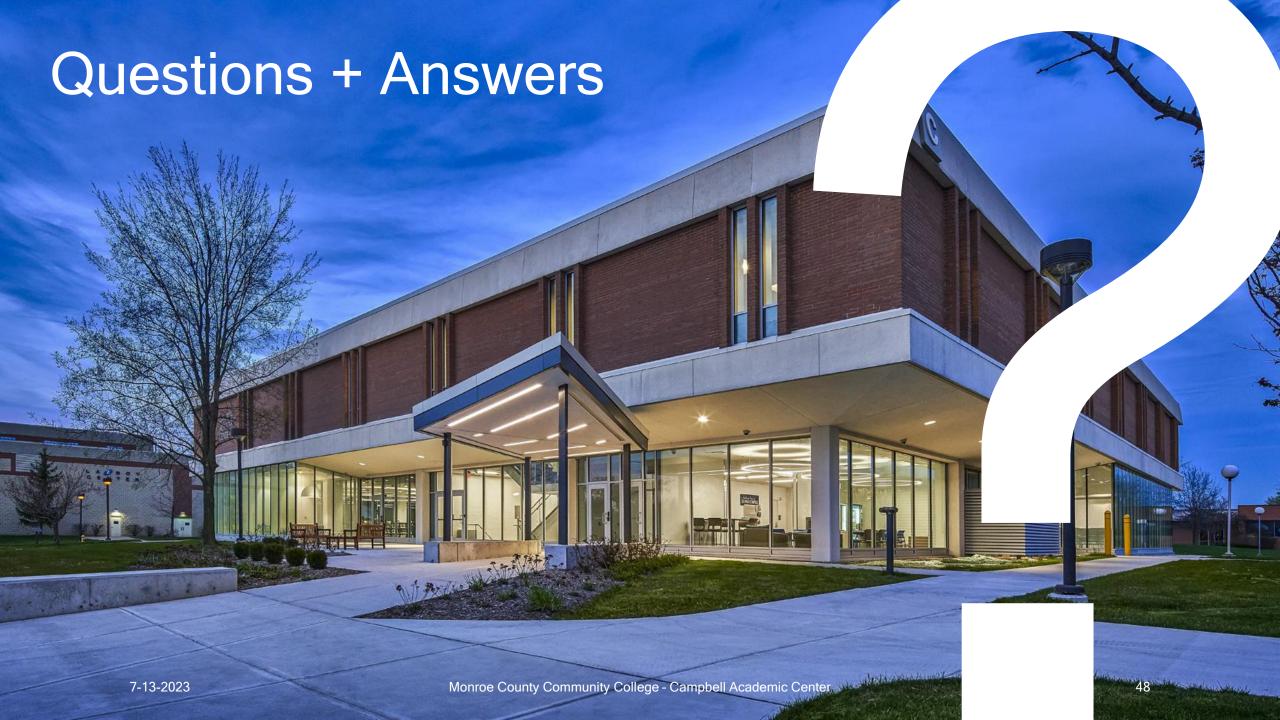
## Lessons Learned

- Legacy buildings from the 1960's often have enclosed stairways and no sprinkler systems
- Open stairways create great design elements, but state fire code (NFPA 101) is strict about requiring enclosed exit stairs, even in sprinklered buildings
- Providing side-acting fire shutters was a costly safety feature, but critical to creating a successful transformation of the building









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