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Bennington College - Provost and Dean's Office

End-of-day Update | May 2, Thu, May 2, 7:24 PM

TO: Faculty, Staff, and Students

FR: Isabel Roche, Provost and Dean of the College

Before getting to the updates for the day, I want to take a moment to recognize the patience, kindness, and good humor demonstrated by so many over the past few days. This has enabled us all to stay focused – even during this time of significant disruption – on the teaching and learning vital to Bennington. Thank you.

Here are today's updates:

- Cricket Hill: Cricket Hill will be back online on Monday, May 6.
- The Barn: We are meeting with the Fire Marshall tomorrow to get information that will inform where we can place partitions to bring undamaged parts of the Barn back online. There will be a fence cordoning off the parking lot, and a Pod next to Cricket Hill Barn to house some materials as part of salvaging what we can. We are hoping that sections of the Barn are open by Monday, May 13.
- **Grab-N-Go:**To replace Grab-N-Go, students will be allowed to take lunch and dinner to go from the dining hall. Faculty and staff are asked to eat in the dining hall, to relieve pressure on Dining Services.
- Pop-up bookstore: There will be a pop-up bookstore located in the Post Office in the EAC. Check cashing and quarters for laundry will be available starting tomorrow, Friday, May 2nd. Bookstore sales are expected to begin mid-week based on new inventory arriving to campus (check the <u>Barn update webpage</u>for updates). Inventory will be limited, with the goal of supporting current classes and senior projects. If there is a supply that you know you need and would have bought at the bookstore, please immediately email bookstore@bennington.edu. We will make our best attempts to stock necessary items.
- Student On-Campus Employment: The Field Work Term and Career Development Office is coordinating arrangements for students whose jobs have been affected by the fire. Students who had shifts scheduled on Tuesday afternoon will be paid for them, and temporary jobs are being made available for affected students who cannot work remotely or from a temporary office space. Information on how to access temporary jobs was emailed to supervisors and students known to be affected this afternoon. If you have questions, contact Ray Stevens at campusjobs@bennington.edu, book an appointment, or visit the UpCaf during walkin hours tomorrow, 12:00-2:00 pm.

- **Events:** If you are organizing an event that was planned to take place in a Barn classroom or space, please email <u>calendar@bennington.edu</u> and let us know the new location; we will update the web listings.
- **Usdan Staff Tour:** Anne Thompson will do the <u>staff tour</u> of the current exhibition in Usdan tomorrow, Friday at 1:30 pm, as planned.
- **Staff Space:** If any staff do not have what they need, in terms of space, to do their work, they should speak with their department head as soon as possible.

As a reminder, ongoing updates between emails are captured on the <u>Barn update webpage</u>. Please continue to send any questions to <u>president@bennington.edu</u>