

Library evacuation

Bennington College - Campus Safety

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TO: Students, Faculty, and Staff

FR: Chris Carson, Campus Safety

Today, Buildings and Grounds were working with an outside contractor on a project to check for leaks, which included running smoke through pipes. This is a maintenance project. While the seals were locked, at approximately 1:00 pm, some smoke leaked into the top floor of Crossett Library.

The North Bennington Fire Department was called as a precaution, and the building was evacuated immediately. However, there was no danger to health or safety. The project is complete and Crossett Library has been re-opened at this time.

Thank you to students for their cooperation in evacuating so quickly, to the staff for their quick work, and to local authorities.