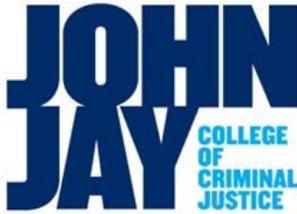


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From: Elmer Phelon, Executive Director, Facilities Management

Re: Summer Season 2014, Energy Usage

Date: July 1, 2014

As we approach the warmest portion of the summer season, the Department of Facilities Management and our engineering team, Steve Waxman, George Tangredi and our trades, are working hard to maintain a comfortable campus while at the same time doing our part to conserve energy.

The cost of all energy we use was once centrally managed and paid for by the University. Over the past 2 years, the University has shifted this recurring cost to each campus to manage. Our baselines have been created from former years records and all energy we are able to save below our set threshold means money for the College. This also aligns with the State's and University's sustainability initiative to reduce overall energy consumption.

Although this effort requires everyone's help, we'd like to inform the College Community of the various steps the Facilities Management team will be taking to accomplish energy savings. Primarily we will balance different modes of operation during the season depending on weather and scheduled activities. We also make adjustments when Con Edison asks us to reduce electrical use based on expected peaks in overall grid consumption, which in turn helps keep the city-wide infrastructure from overloading. Some of the adjustments you may see will include the following:

- Various Escalators turned off
- Particular Light fixtures turned off ---lighting reduced in areas with stronger natural light
- Pre-cooling in some buildings/areas resulting in cooler temperatures in the morning and a reduction of energy consumption for cooling in the mid- and later portions of the day
- We remind North Hall occupants to keep windows closed and blinds down when in direct sun.

The campus will be closed for a series of Fridays and weekends over the summer. On these days the buildings will be in a reduced mode of operation.

All these actions help to keep us cool while saving energy and operating dollars, critically important. Faculty members who are interested in introducing students to conservation topics using real-world examples are encouraged to get in touch Steve Waxman or myself. Opportunities are available for statistical analysis, economics, communications, graphic design, environmental science, community relations and the relationship of these items with global concepts of social and environmental justice.

We would like to thank the many members of the College Community for their cooperation and assistance in planning for the summer in an environmentally responsible manner. Just to name a few, the offices of the Registrar, Events Planning, Theater Arts, Public Safety, Environmental Health and Safety and the Science Department have been very helpful and have our deepest gratitude.

If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact myself at ephelon@jjay.cuny.edu or Steve Waxman at 646 557 4612, email at swaxman@jjay.cuny.edu. You can also contact the Facilities Help Desk at 212 237-8541.

Thank you for your cooperation.

