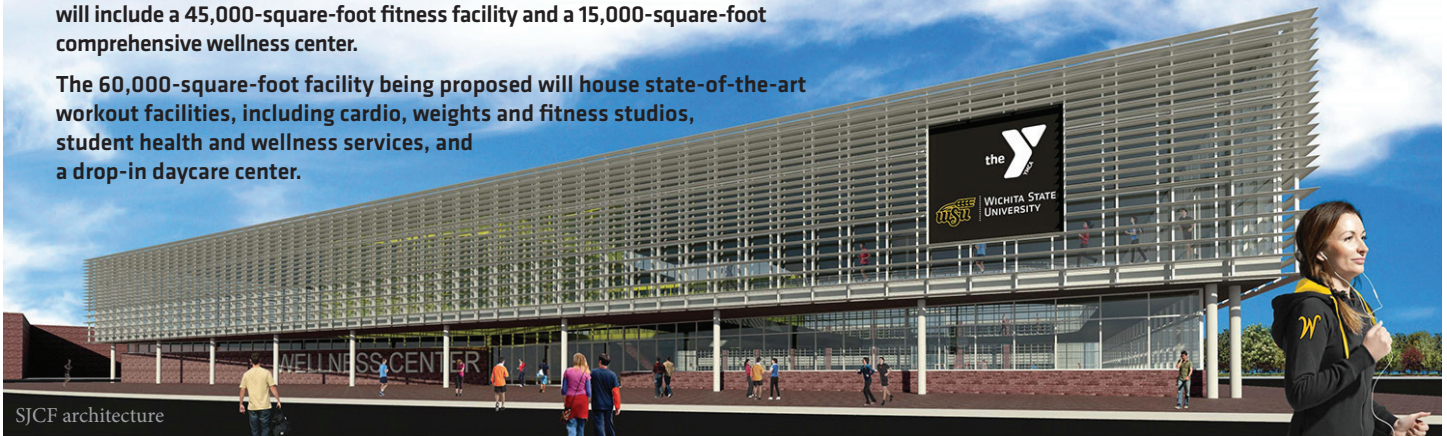


Proposed WSU-YMCA Partnership Facility



IN ADDITION TO THE EXISTING HESKETT CENTER FACILITY, the proposed facility will include a 45,000-square-foot fitness facility and a 15,000-square-foot comprehensive wellness center.

The 60,000-square-foot facility being proposed will house state-of-the-art workout facilities, including cardio, weights and fitness studios, student health and wellness services, and a drop-in daycare center.



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Wichita State University Wellness Services was formed to create a network of programs to help Shockers succeed—and thrive—during every step of their WSU careers. These programs include:

- Counseling and Testing
- Student Health Services
- Expanded cardio and strength options
- Drop-in child care

Wellness Services will include the following items not currently available:

- X-Ray services
- Fluoroscopy services
- Drop-in child care
- Relaxation room
- Telemedicine triage/screening
- Seamless treatment coordination
- Unified check-in services
- Urgent care facility
- Increased opportunities for applied student learning
- New education and meeting room for programs and for student organizations focused on health and wellness

Good for Students

• WSU students have requested updated recreation facilities and a place that can provide drop-in child care while on campus. The new Y will provide a brand new state of the art facility, designed and programmed for these student needs.

• Many WSU students commute to classes from throughout the community. With this new collaboration, they will be able to use all metro YMCA facilities.

• Many college students struggle to find work. The new Y will bring more options for employment on campus, with at least 70 new jobs and career development opportunities.

• The Y on the WSU campus will be designed with student input.

• Plus, students will still have access to the Heskett Center for intramurals.

Good for WSU

• State of the art recreation facilities are commonplace on top university campuses, and WSU will be positioned to recruit additional students with a new Y.

• The mission for WSU is to be an educational, cultural and economic driver in Kansas. By partnering with the Y, the university can focus on its mission and direct resources they will have spent managing a wellness center elsewhere.

• The new YMCA will be accessible to all Y members, providing opportunities for area children to experience the WSU campus long before they are in college.

Good for the Community

• When two strong organizations work together to provide more opportunities for Wichita students and residents, it strengthens the entire community.

• As Wichita works to retain its talented youth, having a YMCA on the WSU campus for the purpose of serving and recruiting top students to the Wichita area shows both a commitment to young adults and it's good for area businesses.

• In the Y's commitment to be for all, there is also a commitment to welcome and celebrate diversity. The diverse WSU student body brings with it opportunities to gather varied communities together in the spirit of inclusion and a better understanding of one another.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

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Q: WHAT BENEFITS, INCLUDING EDUCATION EXPERIENCES AND AMENITIES, WILL BE AVAILABLE TO STUDENTS?

WSU students will receive full-year YMCA memberships to the new Innovation Campus facility as well as full access to all nine full-service YMCAs located in Sedgwick, Butler and Harvey counties.

WSU students will receive YMCA memberships during construction with all rights and privileges of a regular membership beginning next fall.

The YMCA will operate an on-campus, drop-in daycare facility. The Childhood Development Center will continue to operate under WSU Wellness.

Student fee funds (\$7.75 per credit hour) generated during construction will fund the new 15,000-square-foot comprehensive Wellness Center, which is connected to the YMCA facility. WSU Wellness will operate the comprehensive Wellness Center. Once construction has concluded, the \$7.75 per credit hour fee will be used to continue operating the facility.

Q: HOW IS THIS PROJECT FUNDED, INCLUDING STUDENT FEE ALLOCATION?

YMCA Contribution

YMCA will take on the risk and responsibilities for design, construction, maintenance and operations of the facility. The YMCA's contribution will cover two-thirds of the cost.

Initial Costs

Capital costs for the building will be shared by YMCA and WSU Board of Trustees. These funds are not available for upgrading the Heskett Center and can only be used for development on the Innovation Campus. The WSU Board of Trustees' contribution will cover one-third of the cost.

Student Fees

Student fee funds (\$7.75 per credit hour) generated during construction will fund a new 15,000-square-foot comprehensive Wellness Center, which is connected to the YMCA facility.



Q: WHY CAN'T WSU FINANCE AND BUILD ITS OWN NEW FITNESS FACILITY?

A new facility would cost approximately \$15 million, which would need to be bonded, and the university would have to take on additional debt. WSU is not in a position to take on more debt.

Q: WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO CAMPUS RECREATION JOBS?

The addition of the YMCA on WSU's Innovation Campus will increase applied learning opportunities and jobs in the health and wellness field. The proposed facility will add approximately 50 student positions for all students, including graduate teaching assistantships (GTA), international and work-study positions.

Q: HOW WILL WSU CONTINUE TO USE THE EXISTING HESKETT CENTER?

The proposed new facility represents a partnership between WSU, Campus Recreation and the YMCA to provide fitness and wellness services for WSU students. The Heskett Center will continue to house intramurals, sport clubs, aquatics and rentals to community groups, along with several academic departments. Athletics will continue to use the facility for its indoor track program.

Q: WHAT ROLE WILL WSU WELLNESS, INCLUDING CAMPUS RECREATION, HAVE IN IMPLEMENTING THE NEW FACILITY?

Campus Recreation will continue to operate intramurals, sport clubs, aquatics and rentals to community groups.

The proposed facility will further enhance wellness and fitness on campus by providing unmet needs such as a drop-in daycare center and improved strength and fitness facilities.

WSU Wellness will operate the comprehensive Wellness Center, which will include Student Health and Counseling and Testing.

The Y will form a joint advisory board for this specific WSU YMCA composed of staff members from Campus Recreation, Student Health and Counseling and Testing, WSU students (SGA or appointed) and YMCA staff. This group will coordinate programming between Campus Recreation, Wellness Services and the YMCA for the benefit of WSU students.

Q: WHO WILL OPERATE AND MAINTAIN THE WELLNESS CENTER / YMCA FACILITIES?

The YMCA will design, build and maintain the facility under WSU oversight. This facility will include a comprehensive WSU Wellness Center.

The YMCA will operate the fitness facilities and drop-in daycare center.

WSU Wellness, part of the Division of Student Affairs, will operate the comprehensive Wellness Center. The Childhood Development Center will continue to operate under WSU Wellness. Wichita State will continue to operate and maintain the Heskett Center.