

THE FACILITIES FORUM

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EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

Jeremy Johnson Life Safety Systems Technician

Jeremy was born and raised in Stanton, Iowa. He also lived in Red Oak before moving to Maryville in 2013. Jeremy is on his 9th year at Northwest. Prior to joining the EHS staff in March, he was a bus driver and loved seeing parts of the country he had never seen before. He is now able to be more involved in ensuring that Bearcats are safe while they are on campus which he says is a very fulfilling feeling to have. Prior to working at Northwest Jeremy worked in Iowa at a rock quarry for 13 years and was also in the Iowa National Guard for 8 years.



Jeremy loves tinkering with his train layout as well as camping and fishing with his family. He is married to his wife Julie. Together they have 8 children (4 boys, 4 girls), 2 son-in-laws and 3 grandchildren. They love traveling to the Ozark Mountains, down to Branson and into Arkansas, or the Rocky Mountains. He says they turn anything they do into an adventure!

Thank you for your dedicated 9 years at Northwest and the Facility Services department!

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**TOUGH
TIMES
— DON'T LAST —
TOUGH
TEAMS DO**

MESSAGE FROM THE AVP



Team,

A sincere THANK YOU for your hard work this summer and for the final push to ready the campus for new and returning Bearcats!

It is becoming increasingly important for our students (especially our new incoming students) to feel a sense of belonging at Northwest. An important part in supporting a sense of belonging includes our department responding to student work requests (especially in student housing facilities) in a timely fashion, performing our tasks in accordance with industry standards, and conducting ourselves in a professional and service-oriented way. They are our customers and it is vitally important we do our best in efforts to provide them quality services they (and their parents/guardians) expect.

In so many instances, it can also be the little things that make a big impact. Acknowledging students crossing your path with a simple 'hello'.....including an introduction by name as part of your protocol after knocking and upon being greeted by occupants in student rooms when responding to work orders.....asking a student if you can be of help if they appear to be struggling to find their way around campus.....each are simply examples of ways in which we can help create and reinforce that sense of community and belonging. We've all experienced occasions at one time or another of receiving poor customer service and think about the negative impact that left! It's upon each and every one of us to interact with our student customers with the utmost respect, professionalism, and in a service-oriented fashion as we go about our various tasks and responsibilities.

In a nutshell, it's about embracing the importance of consistently providing quality customer services and doing so with care and kindness. I've seen so many example setters within Facility Services and encourage us all to follow their lead.

*With sincere appreciation for all you do,
Dan*

KUDOS

"Just wanted to let everyone know that all of the 26 Royal drink machines have been removed from the buildings. Thanks again to Chris Redmond and Mike Striplin, couldn't have done it without them."

- Brett White, Sodexo

"Thank you to Mike Adwell for all of his assistance on the LED Upgrades in academic areas and the upcoming project!"

Rick Allen

"Hi, Thanks to 2nd shift, Maintenance for helping set up the basketball scoreboard in Martindale. They unlocked the breaker box to reset it. Mike used the lift and suggested the plug wire might be faulty. Another wire in the Martindale storage room worked! We used the lift to take off a panel of the scoreboard, and used a couple voltmeters from maintenance, Etc. Through working together, we won a victory so the 20 teams at the basketball camp would have a scoreboard the next day!"

"Gaunt house setup was incredible! Your team rocked it!"

- Jacob Wood, Executive assistant to the president

WE'RE HIRING



- * Custodian
- * Part-time Custodian
- * HVAC Technician
- * Maintenance Technician—2nd Shift

EHS CORNER

The 2023 fall semester begins Monday, Aug. 21st. Please be mindful of traffic and busy cross walks as students start moving back to campus.

Dog days of summer

They say you can't teach an old dog new tricks. But when the dog days of summer roll around, take the opportunity for re-freshing refresher training on how to stay safe when working in the heat.

Working outdoors in summer heat can be more than uncomfortable—it can be downright dangerous.

Why It Matters ... Every year, thousands of employees around the country suffer from serious heat-related illness.

If not addressed, heat exhaustion can become heatstroke, which can be deadly.

Avoid allowing your employees to get anywhere near the point of heatstroke by refreshing their safety training on working in the heat regularly throughout the summer months.

The combination of heat and humidity that is common in Missouri and other parts of the country is especially hazardous. The problem is that performing labor-intensive activities like agriculture, construction, roofing, and landscaping in hot weather can raise body temperatures beyond levels that can be cooled by sweating.

Train your workers to follow these OSHA-recommended basic precautions:

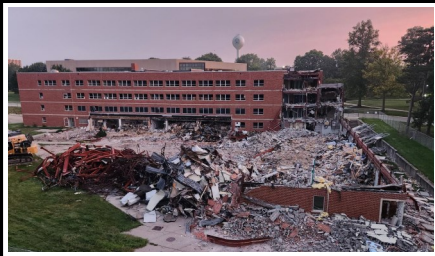
- Drink small amounts of water frequently;
- Take frequent breaks in cool shade;
- Eat smaller meals before working;
- Avoid caffeine, alcohol, or large amounts of sugar;
- Work in the shade if possible;
- Be aware that respirators or work suits can increase heat stress;
- Wear light-colored, loose-fitting clothing, and a wide-brim hat; and
- Use sunscreen with an SPF of at least 30.

EHS working with capital projects correcting campus wide tripping hazards



PROJECT UPDATES

North Complex Demo



Academic classroom refresh

Cybersecurity



Valk



South Complex



Fine Arts



YOU'RE INVITED

Below is a list of some upcoming events for **August** For a full list and event details visit <http://calendar.nwmissouri.edu>.

Engage Violence Prevention Training—Aug. 15th—1-2:30pm—Student Union

Fall All-Employee Meeting—Aug. 16th—Breakfast from 7:30-8:30am—Meetings begins at 8:30am

Uniform Fitting— Aug 4th—Times TBD

EMPLOYEE RECOGNITIONS

July Work Anniversary's!

Kayla Bobbitt	1 year
Tim Jackson	1 year
Mary Welch	8 years

New Hires

Tiery Wilmes
Maintenance Technician, 2nd shift



FACILITIES ON THE GO

Total student rooms flipped by Custodial Services team in support of summer camps 4,077

TSE- 420	Franken- 822
Hudson- 734	Millikan- 300
Perrin- 1,144	Roberta- 364
Dieterich- 293	

Total rooms painted/new flooring: 227

Student rooms painted: 120
Student flooring placed: 92
Offices repainted: 15

COMPLETED WORK ORDERS IN FY23

20,835

Gaunt House Patio



Completed Work Orders July Total—1,663

Maintenance	1,247	Recycle	0
Custodial	36	Sign Shop	45
Landscape	41	Transportation	199
Health & Safety	58	Central Plant	37

July Recycling

FY23	Jun-23
Recycling Revenue	\$ 3,557.94
Landfill lbs.	47,780
Compost	10,260
Cardboard	21,713
Paper	21,298
Plastic	590
Aluminum	720
Metal	1,460
Glass	6,440
Total Monthly Recycled lbs.	52,221
Total Waste Generated	110,261
Total Waste Divereted	62,481
Waste Diversion Rate %	56.67

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