Rec/IM Building to reopen on Monday. Oct. 5

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A message from the Rec/IM Building to students, faculty and staff:

Exciting news! The Rec/IM Building, which has been undergoing an extensive renovation this past year, will reopen for use by EMU students, faculty and staff on Monday, Oct. 5. We are looking forward to everyone experiencing this great, revitalized facility.

Levels 1 and 2 will open at that time. These levels include cardiovascular and weight training areas, gaming tables, and a commons area. Levels 3-5, which include the basketball courts, the indoor track and social areas, will open at a later date.

In compliance with Governor Gretchen Whitmer’s executive order regarding gyms and fitness centers, the Rec/IM will operate at 25 percent occupancy for all open areas, and staff will monitor and enforce these capacity limits.

Visitors to the Rec/IM will be expected to follow safety measures, such as passing the University’s daily health screening process before being permitted to enter the facility, wiping down equipment before and after using it, wearing a face covering, and maintaining physical distancing from others in the building.

Patrons should arrive at the facility ready for their activity, as changing spaces and showers are closed, with the exception of swimming pools.

The $16 million Rec/IM construction and renovation project is being financed through a student rec fee, proposed by EMU student leaders after initial studies and input that began in 2014. Students can opt out of the fee, which was approved by EMU students in 2017.

A comprehensive effort to provide ongoing health, fitness and wellness programming, online and safe in-person (outdoor for example) has been underway throughout the summer and the start of the fall semester. This schedule is being updated on a regular basis with new health, fitness and wellness programs, and can be found along with other information at the Rec/IM website. For specific questions about the opening, you can email Justin Jett at jjett@emich.edu.