University of Nebraska  
Campus Recreation 

Responses to  
Comments and Suggestions 

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1. Elevator door close button not working AGAIN. Has been bad for the last 10 years. Light is out also.

   Thank you for your comment. We have fixed the button and light.

2. Fan upstairs (by track) by stretching mats would be helpful. Air doesn’t move much up there.

   Currently there is no electrical for the fans and fire code will not allow us to use extension cords.

3. I think there should be boxes in the Cook for box jumps, or be able to check them out to take into Cook.

   Thank you for your comment. From the risk management stand point of view, the box may be a hazardous object in the Cook since a majority of users run or play soccer, flag football, etc games. There is no space available for the equipment rental area to store the boxes at this time.

4. The location of the arm bicycle makes it too cold to use. It is already in the draft of the (cold) vents. The arm bicycle need to be moved to the far side of the bicycles and elliptical area because the latter machines warm the body more than the arm bicycle does. The arm bicycle is the main machine I personally use, but I dread coming to work out because of how cold it is. The knob that adjusts the seat on the bottom of the arm bicycle has been broken for most of the year. Could someone consider fixing it?

   Thank you for your comment. The location of the bike has been selected because easier access for the users in a wheelchair (i.e., close to the entrance door and no obstacles for them to get to the bike). We will take your comment for the future decision on the arrangement of cardiovascular machines. The seat adjustment knob of the arm ergometer has been fixed.
5. Since Shinya left the weight room area there has been a noticeable disregard of cleanliness in the Weight Room. Rags in the carts are still damp from the evening before (not changed), dust bunnies are on the floor etc. Some of the staff on the desk try very hard, but many never move from the desk area and are chatting away or looking bored. I worry about the spread of infection—even the cleanser is largely symbolic as the directions require it to be on a surface 2 minutes to kill germs and not just wiped. Therefore maintaining cleanliness is even more important.

Thank you for your comment. We will work harder to make sure the cleaning duties are done thoroughly throughout the day. Our student staff is monitored by professional staff and student supervisory-positioned staff for a clean and sanitized environment.

6. Please keep 104.1 the Blaze on the speaker system in the Weight Room. MTV U is horrible and not workout music. Also, the ab coaster was a really good machine that should be considered for purchase.

We are not allowed to play the FM station at this time due to the contract with mtvU. Thanks for your comment.

We do not have a space for any additional exercise equipment at this time. We will consider it for the future purchases.

7. The Combative Arts room continues to get busier and busier as more activities are scheduled for it. Unfortunately, this room has the only punching bag in the Rec. During the school year this was also a problem. A few friends and I were trying to learn to box, but could hardly ever use the room. Optimally, I would like the Rec to offer a boxing ring and both a speed and heavy bag in its own room. Since that is very unlikely, could you either (or both) 1) move the heavy bag to another spot (and get a bag with a lover strap to the ground) 2) post the room schedule on your website?

Thank you for your comments. Currently we do not have any other space available for the punching bag. The schedules for all rooms in Campus Recreation can be found online.

8. I am a student at UNL. However, I did not enroll in one of the summer sessions, but I still live in Lincoln. It is very upsetting that I have to pay to use the facilities. Paying $6 is unacceptable, and a poor way to treat a student at this school.

The Campus Recreation Centers are funded by University Program & Facility Fees (UPFF). All enrolled students are assessed student fees along with tuition, whether or not they expect to take advantage of fee-funded facilities and services that particular semester. When a student is not enrolled in classes they are not paying student fees, so they are not allowed to utilize fee-funded facilities without paying a portion of the fee. Campus Recreation allows students who are not enrolled in summer classes to pay the fee to access our facilities.
9. Clean the wrestling mat! It is vile and disgusting. I got ringworm this summer from it, and I’ve noticed that it isn’t any cleaner since school started. Anti-bacterial!!! Anti-fungal!!! Staph infections are bad.

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10. The latch on the toilet stall (3rd from the showers in Women’s locker room) has been broken for at least a year. Please fix it! (This is a second request.)

   **We have fixed the problem. Thank you.**

11. Some of the weight collars are wearing out. I have had them slip when I am squatting (two different collars in the same set). I threw those away. Please look into this.

   **We have recently replaced all Olympic bars. The collars should work. Please do not throw the collars away without asking our S&C staff.**

12. Please replace the soap at the Mable Lee Women’s locker room. At least the 2nd request I have made.

   **We thank you for the information and have checked/replaced the soap. We will keep a closer eye on this in the future.**

13. The leg machines in the weight room are not big enough/don’t hold enough weights. Calf raise standing/way too little weight. Sitting calf raise/bar not big enough, can only hold 5 plates per side/not enough. Quads-machine does not hold enough weight.

   **Thanks for your comments. Please find alternative exercises. You should be able to use free weights for the exercises that you have listed.**

14. Need plastic bottle recycling station in Men’s locker room.

   **This is a great idea and we will get one down in the locker room as soon as possible.**