

Facilities Management Department Notice Campus Water System Flushing

Description:

The campus water system will be flushed this week.

Flushing the water mains (pipes) is a standard process to clean the interior of pipes by flowing water rapidly through the system. This rapid flow will be created by opening several fire hydrants throughout campus.

Due to extended periods of inactivity, sediment can build up in the line. Flushing lines helps maintain water quality.

Event Timeframe:

Beginning Date: Monday, May 4, 2020 8:00 a.m.

Ending Date: Friday, May 15, 2020 3:30 p.m.

Campus Impact:

During the flushing process, the water in building may be cloudy and have an odd smell.

The Plumbing Shop will be in buildings flushing the interior building lines once the main underground lines have been flushed.

With fire hydrants open, there will also be water flowing down the streets. If you are on campus, please refrain from parking near a hydrant.

Building fire alarms may also be triggered. The water flow sensors in the buildings are very sensitive. When a hydrant is opened, the water pressure drops slightly which may trigger the flow sensor in the sprinkler systems. No sprinklers are activated. It is just a simulated flow based on the change in water pressure.

If you have any questions or concerns please call Facilities Management Department at 717-871-7875 or email mufacilities@millersville.edu.