
[FAC-L] A message from Vice President Nelson, April 10, 2026

From Division of Finance and Planning

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To fac-l <fac-l@ilstu.edu>



Dear members of the Redbird community,

This communication is an update on the strike underway by AFSCME Local 1110, the union that represents approximately 350 employees, including janitorial, grounds, and dining positions. Contingency plans are implemented, and we continue to monitor as we maintain our high level of quality for all student services, which is our top priority for the University.

We are especially appreciative of employees who are contributing to meeting the needs of the campus community during this time. Because of your commitment to our students, cleaning and dining services continue across campus.

Both dining centers are open under normal hours of operation. [NetNutrition](#) remains the most reliable and up-to-date source for information about food offerings for students at Watterson Dining Commons and Marketplace at Linkins. While stations may occasionally be consolidated, the menus reflect our normal, wide variety of freshly prepared offerings.

Information about retail dining hours and offerings is always available on the [dining website](#). Students may continue using their meal plan (flex dollars and swipes) as normal.

While residence halls remain a priority, all campus buildings continue to be cleaned and have trash and recycling collected. For general facility needs or requests, employees may call the Facilities Operations Center at 309-438-5656 and/or submit your request to the [iServiceDesk](#).

For more information regarding the status of negotiations and the strike, please visit [afscme1110negotiations.illinoisstate.edu](#). This site includes answers to frequently asked questions relating to these negotiations, including steps you should take if you encounter picketing or other activity that disrupts instruction, research, administration, or other university activities.

Thank you for your service to our campus community. We will continue to provide timely updates as appropriate.

Sincerely,

Glen Nelson, Ph.D.
Vice President for Finance and Planning



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