

Standard 8 – Physical Resources



Standard 8A – Instructional and Support Facilities

Since its inception, the campus and physical resources of Eastern Idaho Technical College have grown steadily. In 1969, the Idaho Nuclear Corporation, at that time the prime contractor for what is now the Idaho National Laboratory (INL), donated \$65,000 for purchase of the original 53-acre campus of Eastern Idaho Vocational School. In 1989, the growth and success of the College led the State Legislature to change the name to Eastern Idaho Technical College (EITC). Since that time, EITC has acquired an additional 15 acres and progressed from borrowed classrooms around town to five buildings, a greenhouse, and a health education building currently under construction. Table 8-1 describes each of our on-campus buildings and their attributes.

Laboratories are exceptionally well-maintained, comfortable, and have up-to-date, appropriate technology to promote optimum learning. Programs such as auto, diesel and welding technologies have large shop areas where students learn technical and real-life problem-solving skills through hands-on training. Students use the latest diagnostic equipment and tools. Shops and laboratories are kept clean and safe at all times.

Laboratories within the Health Professions division are designed to support programs in practical nursing, surgical technology, and dental assisting. For example, the nursing lab, although somewhat short of space, is well supplied with the necessary equipment and tools to simulate a clinical setting. There are seven mannequins, three of which are simulated interactive mannequins (SIMS). Models include torso suture and numerous muscle and organ

models. The current lab has five beds with five intravenous pumps and tube feeding pumps.

The new health education building, projected for completion in fall 2007, will provide greater classroom, laboratory, and office space. It was designed with input from health professions instructors, the Eastern Idaho Regional Medical Center, Idaho State University (ISU), information technology staff from both ISU and EITC, architects, engineers, construction companies, and the DPW. It includes all essential apparatus and equipment needed to effectively teach health programs. Labs are designed to function as real hospitals and include areas piped for medical gasses. In the case of a disaster in the community requiring additional clinical space, this facility could be quickly converted and used by professional medical personnel.

Table 8-1 On-Campus Facilities and Attributes

Building	Supporting Functions	Square Feet	Number of Classrooms	Number of Labs	Number of Offices
John O. Sessions Mechanical Building	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Writing and Mathematics Center (WMC) ▪ Auto, diesel, and welding labs ▪ Smart classrooms 	56,000	16	12	14
John E. Christofferson Multipurpose Building	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Adult Learning Center ▪ Distance Learning Classrooms ▪ Student Services ▪ Business Office ▪ Administration ▪ Bookstore ▪ Cafeteria 	41,600	6	2	25
Maintenance Complex	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Grounds ▪ Electrical ▪ Physical 	4,658	0	0	2
Alexander D. Creek Classroom / Laboratory Building	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Center for New Directions ▪ Jordan Library ▪ Smart Classrooms 	42,500	15	8	18
Health Professions Building (under construction)		40,000 (approx)	12	14	23
Technical Building	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Media Services ▪ Storage ▪ Exercise Room 	73,000	7	12	21
Greenhouse	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ High School Horticulture program 	2,160	n/a	n/a	n/a