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Aquatics & Fitness Centre Renovations Begin in May

(Edmonton) - MacEwan University will begin renovations to its aquatics facility in May in order to bring the pool up to current mechanical and lighting standards. Renovations to the pool will be largely hidden due to the nature of the upgrades. As a result of the renovations the pool and hot tub will be closed until January 2013.

During this time the fitness centre in the south-west corner of the Christenson Family Centre for Sport and Wellness (CFCSW) will be expanded. The expansion will provide additional fitness space and equipment to better serve the health and lifestyle needs of students, faculty, staff, and members of the community. Select demolition has already begun in the fitness centre along with a thorough inspection of the pool infrastructure. The fitness centre is expected to reopen in the fall of 2012.

MacEwan University and staff at the CFCSW will keep users informed of progress and will provide information on fitness alternatives while renovations are under way. Clients can opt-in for email updates or refer to the MacEwan website, Facebook or Twitter to stay informed. Video updates will provide onsite progress reports during construction. Links to videos and written information will be posted on a regular basis.

In September, 2011 the Board of Governors at MacEwan University gave their approval to spend $5 million to refurbish the facility.

Cathryn Heslep, Vice-president, Student Services will be available to speak to the media today at 3:00 p.m, on the second level of the aquatics facility at the Christenson Family Centre for Sport and Wellness.

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