



Trace on Pace to Redefine Student Housing at Purdue Fort Wayne

With boxes still to be unpacked in apartments on the Waterfield Campus, excitement about what's happening across St. Joe Road on Purdue University Fort Wayne's North Campus continues to build. That's where construction of the Trace student housing complex advanced past the halfway point this summer.

It's now less than a year away from the moment students will start moving into the 600-bed, 213,000-square foot dream administrators say will transform the university.

"In addition to the complex being a really cool new place for students to have a fantastic college experience, Trace provides us an opportunity that we have not had in over six years—the ability to use student housing to recruit," said Krissy Surface, vice chancellor for enrollment management

and the student experience. “The drawback of being well over occupancy for years now is that we cannot proactively market what exceptional student housing we have on campus.”

A recent glimpse of the progress makes the whole place feel more real, as if the future is being constructed around those walking through a 3D presentation. Exterior walls are almost finished in all five sections, windows are in place, floorplans are obvious on all four levels, and almost everything is enclosed.

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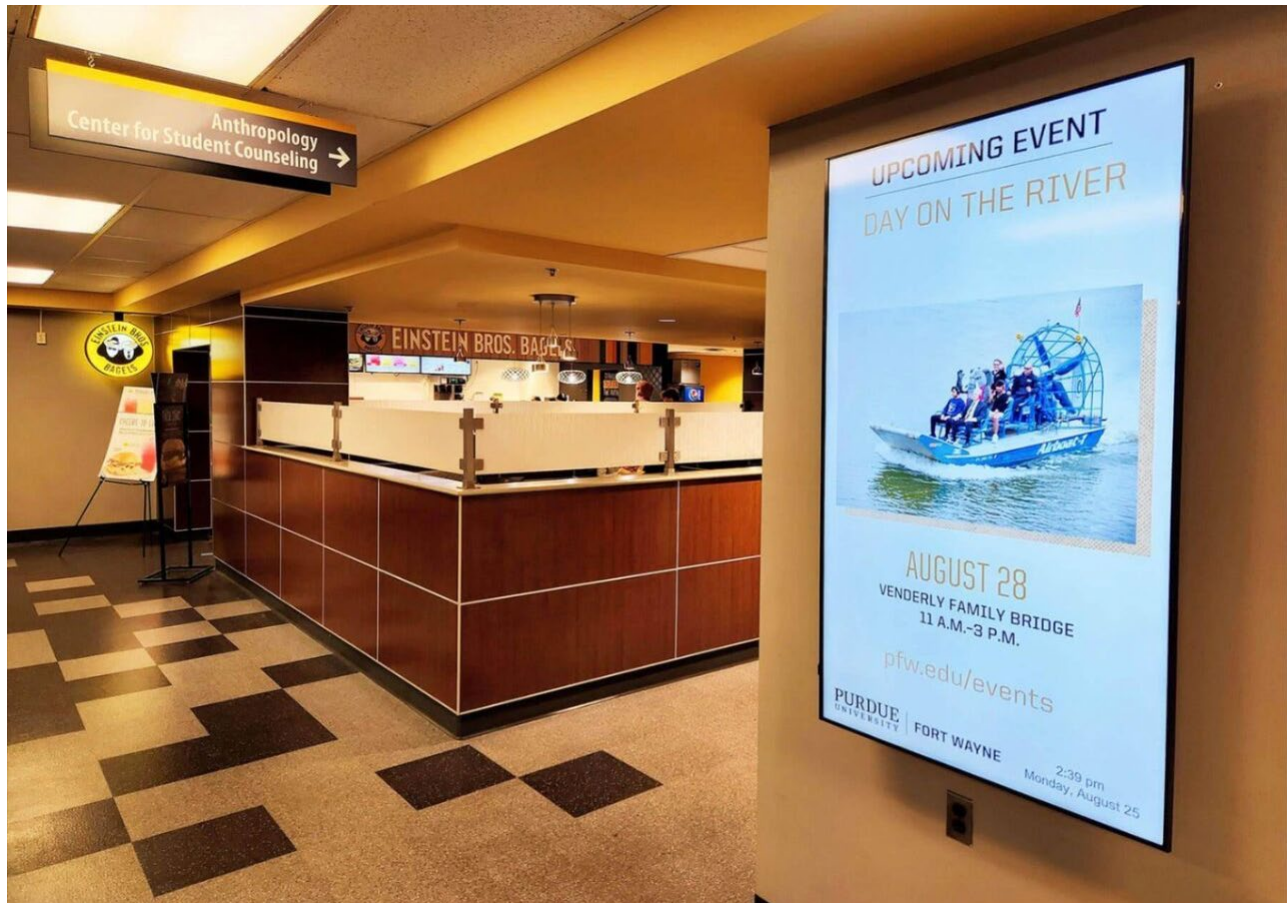
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Still not sure what social media is all about, or just looking to enhance one of the channels your college, school, or unit hosts? Email socialmedia@pfw.edu to learn more.



New Digital Display Network Connects the Campus

The PFW campus community has a dynamic new way to stay informed now that installation of an advanced Digital Display Network is nearly 100% complete. Work on this cutting-edge communication tool started in March. The slides are devoted to campus news, upcoming events, important announcements, department-specific information, and other topics of interest to students, faculty, staff, and visitors.

The network was developed by the Office of Communications and Marketing, which is curating and managing the content in collaboration with academic and administrative units. It consists of 90 screens located in high-traffic areas to maximize visibility and engagement.



New Threads, Same Great Mastodons

Show your Mastodon pride with a fresh selection of shirts, crewnecks, and zips featuring the updated Purdue Fort Wayne athletics logo.

Click here to see the new options. Place an order using the links below.

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Good to Know

Name Change for Study Abroad Program

The Study Abroad Program is now called the **Study Away Program**. It encourages students to consider studying internationally. The program is under the direction of the Office of International Studies, located at Walb Student Union, Room 145.

Banner Downtime Scheduled for Friday Evening

To minimize the potential for disruption, a Banner downtime for fall census processing has been scheduled for Friday between 5 and 10 p.m. Applications that will be affected include registration, financial aid, unofficial transcripts, unofficial degree audit, view balance, faculty and advisor services, OASIS, Banner ADMIN, myBLUEprint, Cognos, ODS, account activation, payment systems, and forgot password.

This downtime will not affect applying for admission, email, or eLearning. Users are asked to log off of Banner PROD before 5 p.m.

Eventful

There's always plenty to do at Purdue Fort Wayne. To find your favorites—or discover new activities—check the full [events calendar](#) often to see what's happening on campus.

AUGUST

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Fri., noon–1 p.m.

SGA Executive Officer Inauguration

Celebrate the 2025–26 Student Government Association executive officers as they become officially inaugurated into their roles. Light refreshments available to attendees while supplies last...

SEPTEMBER

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Thurs., 1–4 p.m.

PFW Service Day

Help make an impact on our campus community through a variety of service projects. RSVP is not required but is encouraged...

On the Job

Check out the new faces in new places.

Transfers

- Caleb Meyer, credentials specialist | Campus Credentials and Transportation

In a Snap

Seen and noted around campus. Monitor our university social feeds for more great moments of Mastodon life.



Housing staff were stationed at a table on the east side of the **W. Paul and Carolyn Wolf Bridge** to provide snacks and information to students walking from housing to their first day of classes on Monday.

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