

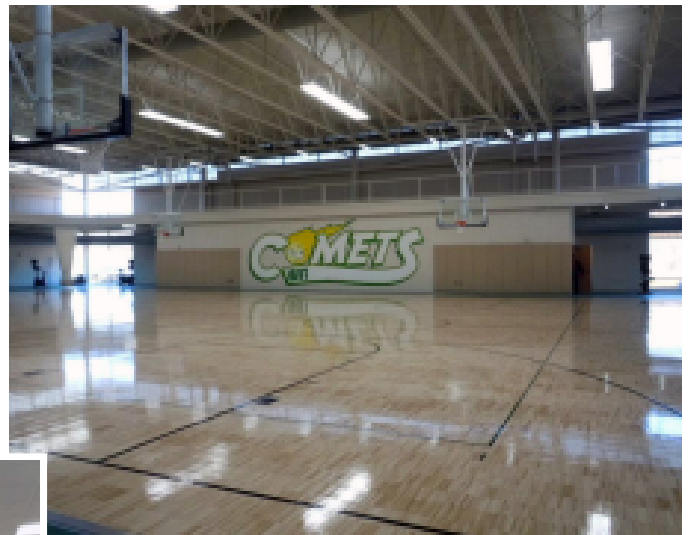


WESTERN IOWA TECH CHOOSES KLINGER FOR MUCH NEEDED STUDENT CENTER

Western Iowa Tech Community College chose W.A. Klinger to manage the construction of its new Student Life and Wellness Center. This state-of-the-art facility is the college's latest, most dramatic initiative in recent years to greatly expand the opportunities for student life outside the classroom.

The structure encompasses 44,000 square-feet with two stories and cost approximately \$5,500,000. Its largest single feature is a full-size gymnasium with a basketball court, two cross-court basketball courts, a volleyball court and a three-lane walkway/jogging track. There is also a cardio fitness area with treadmills, elliptical machines and other cardio equipment, a strength training room, and large and small aerobics rooms for exercise sessions.

The student life section of the new facility is an open area for students to gather, socialize, watch television and play games. This part of the building also houses office space for the coordinator of student activities as well as the Student Senate.



Although initially designed to meet LEED Silver certification requirements, the project was awarded the higher level LEED Gold certification by the U.S. Green Building Council.

"It's ... obvious that this superb addition to our campus will greatly elevate the quality of the WITCC experience," said Dr. Terry Murrell, president of Western Iowa Tech.



BUILDING USE:

Recreation and fitness facility

BUILDING TYPE:

Masonry bearing walls and structural steel; brick veneer exterior walls with CMU backup and glass curtain wall

BUILDING SIZE:

44,000 SF, 2-story

SIGNIFICANT FEATURES:

LEED Gold project;
Full-size gymnasium with basketball court and 3-lane walkway/jogging track

SERVICES PROVIDED:

General Contractor