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Children's at Hughes Spalding Earns LEED Gold Certification

Congratulations to Children's at Hughes Spalding for achieving Gold certification in the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED). Children's at Hughes Spalding is the first hospital in Georgia to receive Gold certification.



The certification, which was developed by the [U.S. Green Building Council \(USGBC\)](#), provides a framework for designing and maintaining green buildings. Certification levels include Certified, Silver, Gold and Platinum, which are based on a total point system. Points are awarded in the categories of Sustainable Sites, Water Efficiency, Energy and Atmosphere, Materials and Resources, Indoor Environmental Quality and LEED Innovation Credits.

Children's at Hughes Spalding received considerably high marks in the Sustainable Sites, Indoor Environment and Innovation categories. Some examples of things implemented during the construction of the new facility to help achieve LEED Gold status are:

- Children's at Hughes Spalding was developed with an underground irrigation system constructed to collect rainwater for outdoor landscaping and improve water efficiency.
- The facility has a reflective roof that allows for maintaining cooler temperatures in the building.
- As a sustainable site, Children's at Hughes Spalding offers access to public transportation. Children's at Hughes Spalding also provides a means of alternative transportation through the incorporation of bicycle storage and changing rooms, as well as offering preferred parking spots to low-emitting and fuel efficient vehicles in the onsite parking area.

Children's would like to give a special congratulation to the design team (HKS Architects), and the [Facilities Planning and Development](#) and [Facilities Management](#) departments for their joint effort and hard work in achieving this honor.

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Ascom Phones Down at Children's at Egleston Nov. 17

IS&T will perform maintenance to the Ascom phone system at Children's at Egleston from 1-4 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 17 (Tuesday night shift).
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ReportXpress Down Nov. 16-17; Use TimePC for Clocking During Shift Change

IS&T will upgrade API, Children's time and attendance system, from 7 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 16 through 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 17.
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Tune In to Star 94 Cares for Kids Radiothon, Nov. 18-20

The Star 94.1 FM on-air personalities will broadcast live from Children's at Egleston for the 8th Annual Star 94 Cares for Kids Radiothon on Nov. 18, 19 and 20.
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Final Chances to Attend a Wellness Fair, Nov. 17 and 18

As of Oct. 12, 72 percent of employees have attended a Wellness Fair. To accommodate employees who were not able to attend the fairs, Children's is offering three last-chance make-up Wellness Fairs.
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Children's Nurses are Owning the New TOC Process

Every time the responsibility for clinical care of a patient is transferred from one provider to another, there is a risk of medical errors, omissions in care and redundancies occurring.