

ATHLETIC CENTRE, WELLAND CAMPUS

Niagara College's new Athletic Centre will enhance the student life experience through increased participation in varsity athletics, intramural, and recreational activities. It is home to the Niagara College Knights Intercollegiate sports programs. The new centre will expand student enrolment in fitness and health programs, and support students in Fitness and Health Promotion, Recreation and Leisure (Therapeutic), and related programs providing the future leaders of wellness programs benefiting communities across Canada.

The Athletic Centre will complement the planned facilities to support a sport and wellness priority for the Welland and Pelham area. With two regulation-size gymnasiums, additional change rooms, fitness centre, and multipurpose rooms, Niagara College will be able to host a variety of provincial and national-level athletic and community events.

Benefits

- Improve student satisfaction even more with enhanced athletic and recreation programming at the Welland Campus
- Introduce more dedicated gym time for intramurals, international students and students living in residence
- Create new opportunities to host:
 - Basketball – high school tournaments, Basketball Ontario competitions and championships up to 16 teams
 - Volleyball – high school tournaments, Ontario Volleyball Club competitions and championships – 25 to 30 teams
 - Ontario Federation of School Athletic Association (OFSAA) basketball and volleyball championships in partnership with area high schools
- Attract visitors to the Welland community who will book rooms, visit restaurants and shop locally
- Continuing Education can once again book space at the Welland Campus for evening and/or weekend offerings, such as dancing, sports and fitness
- Increase space for more Kids' College activities and participants
- New sound system with 16 speakers throughout the gym
- Add inventory of space for community activities, such as events organized by local sports associations, jobs fairs, trade shows, arts and craft activities, and contingency space for pandemic/emergency planning



Athletic Centre

Niagara College hosted two major tournaments in March 2011:

- Canadian Colleges Athletic Association women's basketball championship
- Ontario Federation of School Athletic Associations AAA girls volleyball finals



Athletic Centre

Ground Floor

Double Gymnasium – seating for 700 (fixed) + 400 (portables)

Sports Therapy Room

Varsity Change Rooms

Referee Change Rooms

Wall of Fame Display

Second Floor

Fitness Centre

Multipurpose Room

Fitness Assessment Room

Resistance Training Room