
LaPlata Beach

DESCRIPTION

This facility is a common area located between several high-rise freshman residence hall communities and is used for non-programmed recreation opportunities, special events, and programmed activities. The area is known as “The Beach” due to its long standing use by students for sunbathing. One of the few outdoor spaces on the north side of campus, near the residence halls, that allows for both active and passive recreation/wellness opportunities as well as socialization opportunities. Approximate two acre site that includes 32,000 SF of infill artificial turf surrounded by shaded grass areas, 4 small “half-court” basketball courts, and two sand volleyball courts.

FACILITY FACTS

ARCHITECTS/CONTRACTOR/MANUFACTURER

Redesign by Whitney Bailey Cox & Magnani, LLC
Baltimore, MD

Clark Companies
Dehli, NY

COST
\$750,000

COMPLETED
September 2008

TOTAL AREA
2 acre site, with improvements made to ~1 acre

FACILITY FEATURES:

- 32,000 SF of FieldTurf-Tarkett Prestige XT-65 infill artificial turf
- Four improved small “half-court” basketball courts
- Maintained the two existing sand volleyball courts
- Located on the North Campus just south of the front entrance to the Eppley Recreation Center

OTHER INFORMATION

- Ability to hold scheduled events/activities no matter the weather, which allows for increased and more varied uses and a resulting increase in revenues
- Reduced maintenance costs with minimized irrigation, re-seeding, re-sodding, and fertilizer usage
- Reduced volume and speed with which storm water leaves site and enters nearby creek
- Increased cleanliness of storm water leaving the site



BEFORE IMPROVEMENTS



AFTER IMPROVEMENTS

