

## Prellwitz Chilinski redesigns Northeastern University's Curry Student Center and Eatery

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Construction is underway on a major renovation of Northeastern University's Curry Student Center and Eatery. Working with Northeastern Dining, Prellwitz Chilinski Associates (PCA) is reviving the center to create a social and dining hub for the campus.

The Curry Student Center operates as a venue for special events, student services, dining and student activities. The University sought to revitalize the Center, which was last renovated in 1992, to become a renewed center of activity and a showcase.

PCA's design program includes the complete renovation of the 514-seat, ground floor dining area and the addition of a new 3,000 s/f structural glass mezzanine with 168 dining seats and 28 lounge seats. The mezzanine - "floating" within the two-story space - links dining and student center functions, creating vibrant flow-through and gathering places for both commuter and resident students.

The Center's setting inspired an edgy, urban feel for the eatery. Chic, up-to-date finishes and comfortable seating areas create a student-friendly ambiance, offering a variety of dining experiences from counters to lounge areas, and encouraging use throughout the day. The wide array of dining options and vendors are unified with muted individual branding and the use of Northeastern's bold red color to create a cohesive identity for this active space.

With the renovations of the Curry Student Center, PCA has now worked with Northeastern University on all of their dining hall facilities. This long-term collaboration has garnered multiple industry awards and exceeded occupancy/revenue expectations campus-wide.

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