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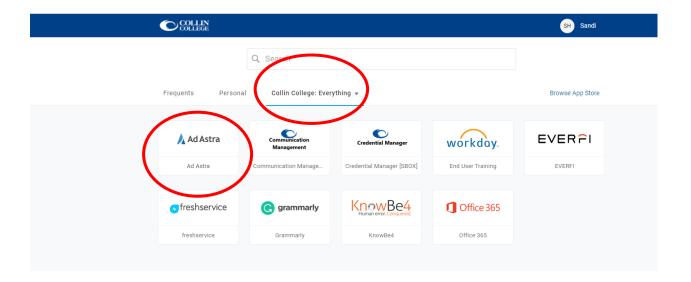
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Collin Ad Astra Login Instructions

There are two ways to log-in to Ad Astra. The best way is to type in your browser URL (Chrome browser is the best), **Collin.OneLogin.com**. You will be prompted to enter your Collin username and password.

Click on the "Collin College Everything" tab, and then click on the Ad Astra tile. It will automatically send you to the Ad Astra application.



The second option is to login to CougarWeb.



If the **Ad Astra Event Scheduling** widget is not on the first page, click **Find New Widgets**, and type Ad Astra, and select **Add to Dashboard**.



On the Ad Astra Event Scheduling widget, click on the Event Scheduling tab.

Event Scheduling

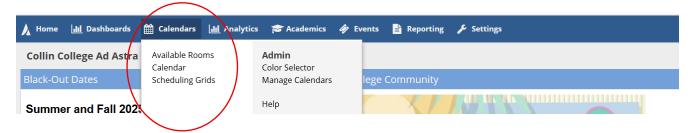
On the first sentence, you can click on the **Ad Astra Event Scheduling application**, you will be prompted to enter your Collin username and password. This step will take you into the Ad Astra Event Schedule application.



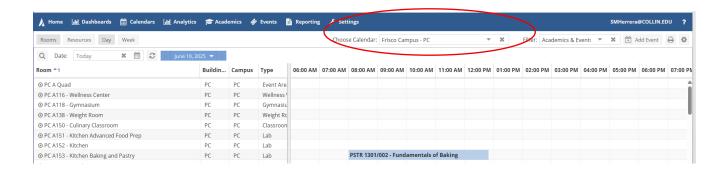
The Collin Ad Astra Event Scheduling application plays a key role in academic scheduling and room requests. Customized request forms have been created for each campus to efficiently schedule all instructional engage (classrooms (computer labs) small

Scheduling Grid Tutorial

The Scheduling Grid is located directly off the Ad Astra homepage. To get to the "Scheduling Grid," click on the Calendars tab and select Scheduling Grid.



The default calendar displays your home campus. Below, the calendar displays Frisco for a Frisco Campus user.

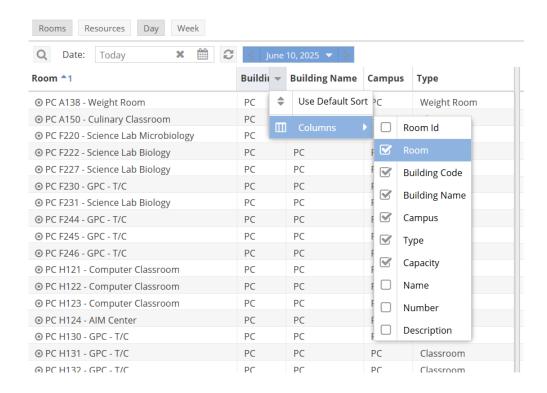


The **"Scheduling Grid"** is where you spend most of your time on the Ad Astra Event Scheduler application. It is an effective tool that helps you see what is happening at your campus throughout the day.

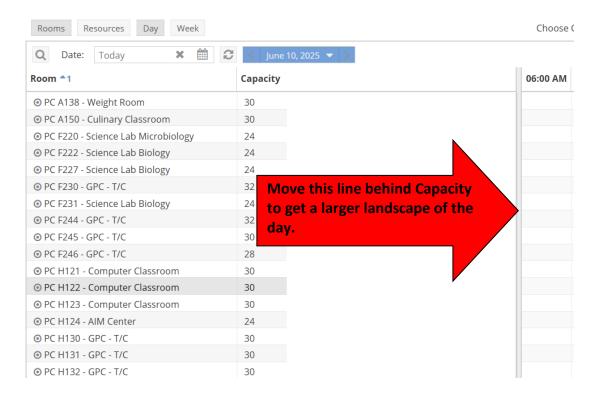
The grid has a variety of filters to navigate you better and help you locate the information you need. You can adjust the filters to your preference: Room, Building Code, Building Name, Campus, Type, and Capacity.

Here are some ways to best utilize the Scheduling Grid filters. Hover over the "Building" box, select the down arrow, and then select the "Columns" option; click the arrow next to the "Columns" option.

Deselect, Building Code, Building Name, Campus and Type. The only filters left are Room and Capacity.



Now, click on the whitespace and the line before 6:00 a.m. and move it right behind capacity. You should be able to see a full day's range of time on the grid: 6:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.



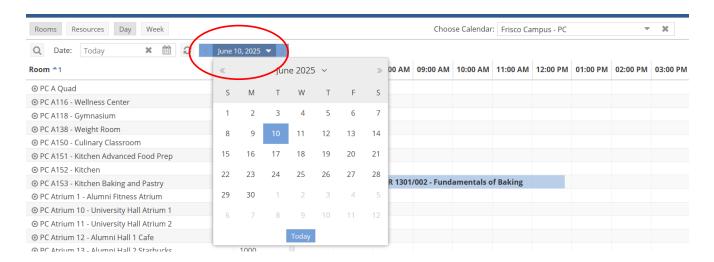
Another applicable adjustment is to select 500 at the bottom of the "Scheduling Grid." The default is 100; to view one page for larger campuses, make your selection 500.

Selecting 500 enables you to scroll from top to bottom and see the entire campus.



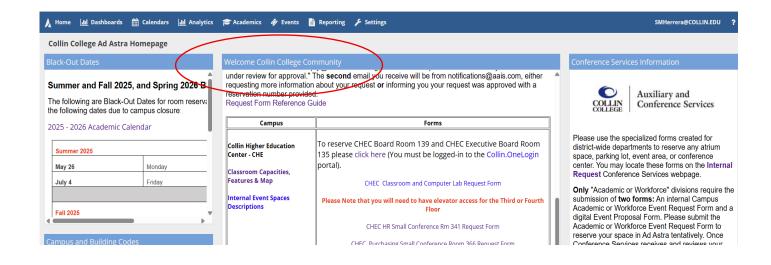
View Dates:

To select the date you would like to view, click on the drop-down arrow next to the date shown in blue (the image below shows the date of June 10, 2025). A calendar will appear, and you can select the date you want to view (To advance to a month, click the double arrows facing left . To advance to a year, click the drop-down arrow next to the month and year).



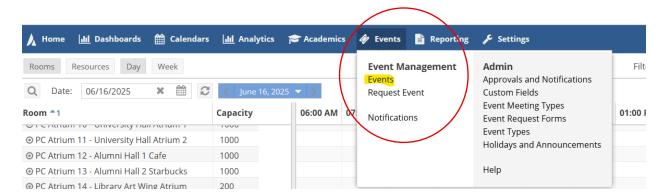
An important note regarding the colored items on the Scheduling Grid. Blue items are classes built in the Student Information System, Workday. Green items are events created within the Ad Astra Event Scheduler. An event cannot be scheduled or reserved on the Scheduling Grid.

To reserve an instructional space or small conference room, please use the Campus Request Forms located in the center of the Ad Astra Event Scheduler homepage. For an Academic or Workforce Division event, <u>click here</u> to visit the Ad Astra Internal Request Forms page.

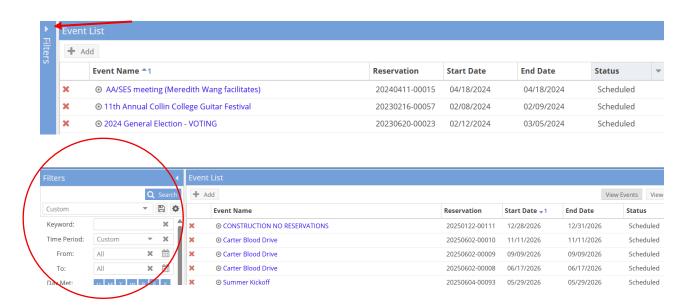


Event and Section Filters

To view a list of events or meetings scheduled, you can view these items on the **Events List** page. Click on the **Events** tab and select **Events** under **Events Management**.



A list of events is displayed under the **Events List** area. On your initial visit to this page, you must expand the Filters panel. On the far left of the Ad Astra screen, you will see a column with "Filters" vertically written and an arrow on top of filters. Click on the arrow, and a filter panel will appear.



To utilize the filter panel and locate an event or meeting, type the meeting or event name inside the **Keyword:** box. To narrow your search, insert a start and end date range; click calendar across the **From:** box to insert the start date. To insert the end date, click on the calendar across the **To:** box. Click **Search.**

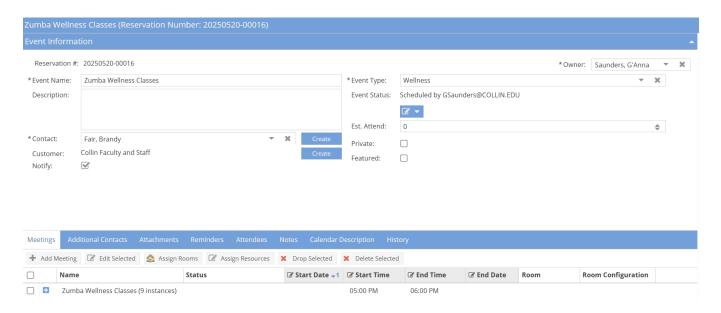


There are several options to view the event details:

- Click on the Event Name
- Click on either View Events or View Meetings



When you click on **Event Name**, you will go to the Event Information Record and view all the event details.



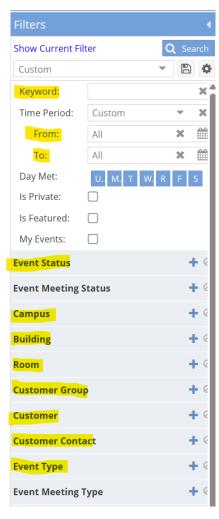
Clicking on the **View Events** tab will only provide you with the Event Name, Reservation, Start and End Date, Status, and Type of the event. To view all of the similar information, including the dates, times and the room of the event(s), click on the **View Meetings** tab.

View Events tab

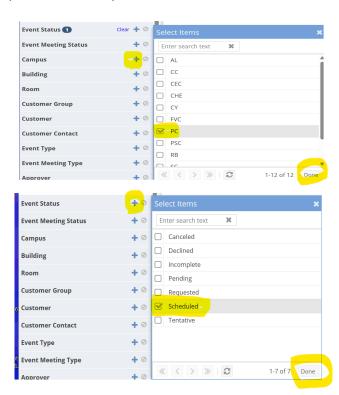


View Meetings tab



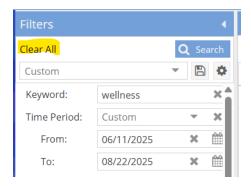


Along with a keyword, or From and To date, the Filter's panel can be filtered by an **Event's Status**, **Campus**, **Building Room**, **Customer Group**, **Customer**, **Customer Contact**, and **Event Type**. To select any of these filter items, click on the + icon across from the filter. Click on **Search** at the top of the Filter panel and view your results.

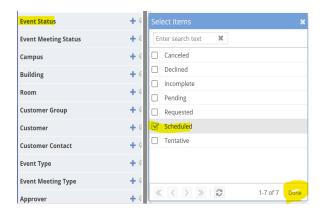


A key function with the filter panel is saving a default filter; e.g., if you are located at the McKinney Campus, you would save McKinney as your default filter. Here are the steps in creating your default filter:

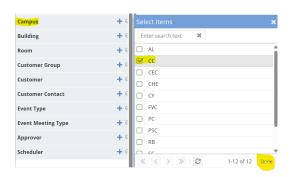
• Click on **Clear All** to remove any filter options previously selected (This ensures you have no dates saved, which allows you to insert different dates at various times).



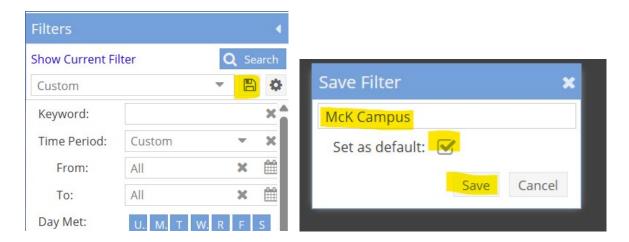
Select Scheduled from the options on Event Status and Scheduled from Event Meeting
 Status (Make sure you select Done after selecting your options).



• Select your **Campus** in the **Campus** options (e.g., if you are at McKinney, select the McKinney Campus for both **Campus** and **Building** (again, make sure you always select **Done** when choosing an option; this saves your choice).



Click on the Save icon below the Search button with a magnifying glass, and it will
prompt you to name your filter. Place a checkmark in the Set as Default, and click Save.

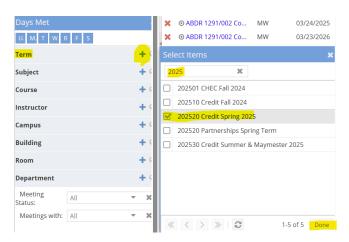


Do note that with a default filter set, you must clear your filter when looking for events or meetings at other campuses.

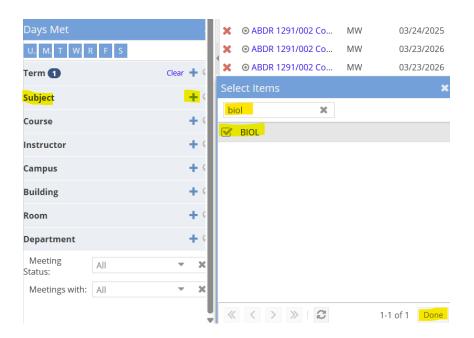
The **Event** and **Section** filters have common functions, except for the filter options. **Event** filters deliver event details, and **Section** filters deliver academic scheduling details (Subjects, Meeting Times and Instructional spaces). The significant difference with the **Section** filters is selecting a **Term**, **Subject**, **Campus** and **Building** for your filter. You also have the option to select a **Course**, **Instructor** or **Room**.

Section Filters

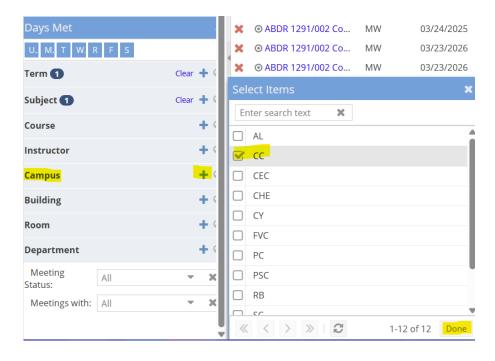
Follow the same steps above to expand your **Filter** panel. Begin your search by inserting a **Term**. Click on the **+** icon across **Term**, type the year of term you are searching for in the Search box, Click **Done**.



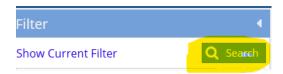
To insert a **Subject**, click the + icon, insert the subject in the **Search** box, and click **Done**.

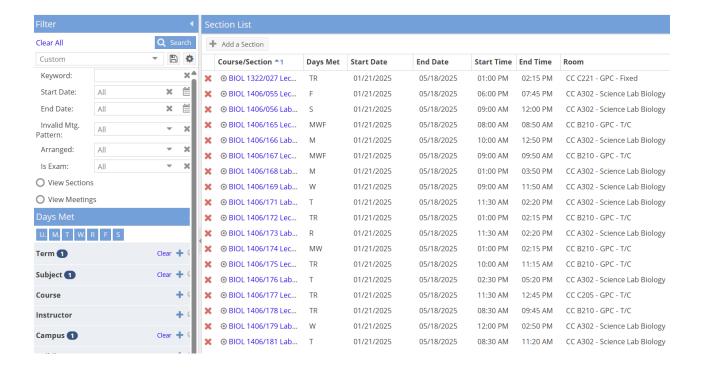


To insert a **Campus**, click the + icon, insert the campus code (locate a listing of the campus codes on the Ad Astra Event Scheduler homepage), click **Done**.

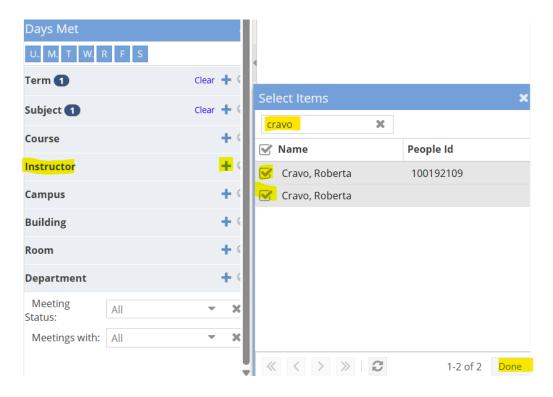


Click on the **Search** button at the top to view your results.





To locate an instructor in a specific subject, it is best **not** to have a **Campus** selected. The instructor can have instructor assignments at other campuses. Click the **+** icon across **Instructor** and type the **last name** of the instructor. Select the instructor's name (if an instructor has two listings, it is best to select both).



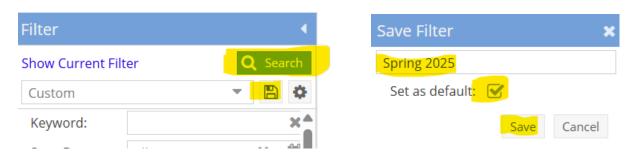
Click on the **Search** button to view your results. If you do not see the Instructor's name, scroll to the right of the screen to locate the Instructor's name. The columns operate like an Excel template; you can drag the Instructor's column to your preference.



You can save a **Default Filter** using the same steps as with **Events**. There are several filter options to save: By a **Term** or a **Campus**.

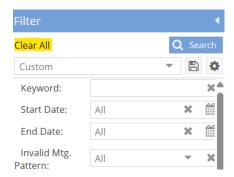
Term Default Filter

Select the **Term**. Click on the **Save** button, type in your Saved Filter name, check the Set as Default, and click **Save**.

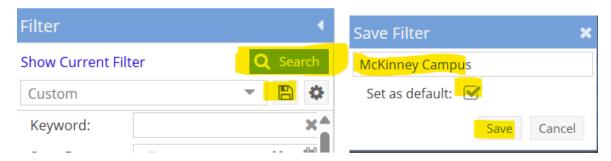


Campus Default Filter

For best results when using a **Campus Default** filter, ensure you do not have a term selected. Click on the **Clear All** at the top of the Filter panel.



Select a Campus and follow the exact steps above to Save the Campus Default filter.



Important Note on Section Default Filters: With a Term Default filter, a new Term Default filter must be made at the end of each term.

Request Forms Quick Reference Guide Submitting a Request Form and Cancelations or Rescheduling Instructions

Each campus Classroom, Computer Lab, and Small Conference Room Request Form has an easy and uniform process. Outlined are the steps for the request forms:

1) Fill in all the required boxes: Meeting Name, Estimated Attendance, Your Name, Your Email, Phone Number, and Event Type.

Special note on the "Your Name" box: begin typing your **last name;** if it appears, click on it, and Collin Faculty and Staff will automatically populate in the "Customer" box. If your name does not appear, type "Unlisted" and select the "Unlisted, Unlisted" option that appears. Type your **first and last name** in the "Unlisted Only Field." If your name appeared, **please place NA in the "Unlisted Only Field."**

By default, "Your Email" should appear.

Please do not place your four-digit extension in the "Your Phone Number" box; **instead, put your 10-digit office number**. Use a cell or a department number if you do not have an office number. A complete phone number ensures someone can contact you in case a complication or emergency arises with the room you requested.

- 2) Purpose of Your Event is required: Describe the reasoning behind your meeting and the use of the instructional space or small conference room.
- 3) Select "Add Meeting" to select your time/date. If you choose a classroom or computer lab, adding 10 minutes to your start and end time is highly recommended to avoid conflicts with a class's start or end time. Place a "Max Attendance" number. The "Max Attendance" number ensures you only see available rooms within the number of seats you requested.
- 4) Select a room by clicking on the "Assign Rooms" tab.
 - a. Each Campus Request Form has a filter to the left of the display box. Click on the 'grey down' arrow button to see an option for classrooms, computer labs, or small conference rooms.
 - b. The right side of the dialogue box displays rooms; to place them in numeric order, click on the **Room** box. To view the room's features, hover over the **circled dot** in front of the room number.

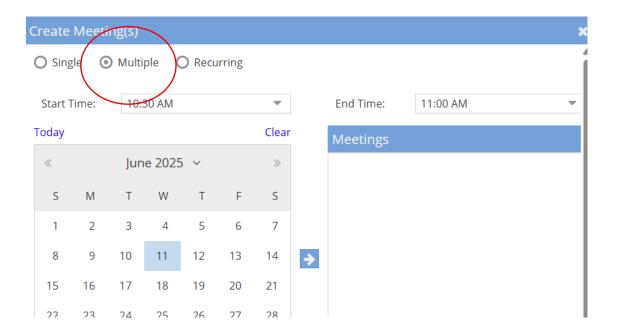
- c. Select the room by clicking on the **Assign Rooms** box next to the room you request. Click **OK**.
- 5) Once your request form is submitted, you will receive an email notification from noreply@aais.com that states, "Your event request was successfully received and is being reviewed.

If the approver needs more information regarding your request or **when your event is approved**, you will receive an email from **notifications@aais.com**.

Detailed steps for Multiple and Recurring Dates:

Steps to Create Multiple Dates

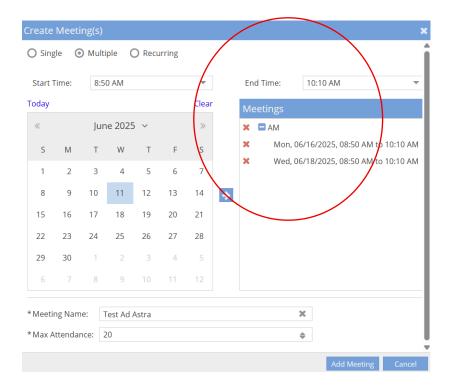
1) When the Create Event window opens, select **Multiple**.



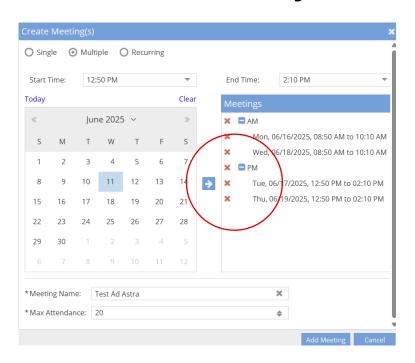
Select Start Time and End Time.

- 2) Click the calendar to select a series of dates and times, e.g., Monday and Wednesday, 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. and Tuesday and Thursday 1:00 2:00 p.m.
- 3) Enter the first group dates/times (Monday and Wednesday 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.). A dialogue box will prompt you to add a meeting group name. Type a

name similar to your dates/time: AM. Click the **center arrow button** to add your meeting times to the meeting list on the right.



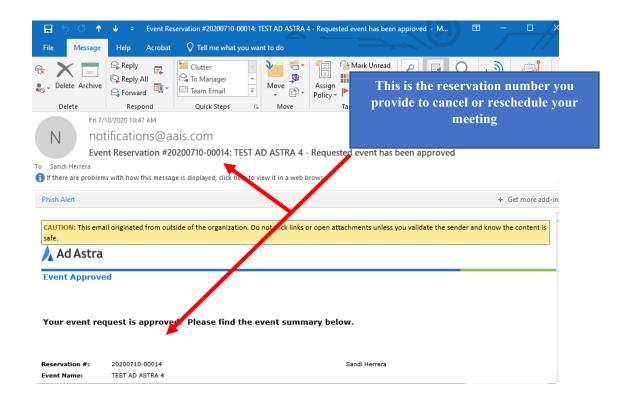
Enter the next group dates/times (Tuesday and Thursday 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.). Follow the exact instructions above. Click on **Add Meeting**.



4) The steps are similar to the ones above. When selecting a room, select the "Assign Rooms" tab.

Cancellations or Reschedules

To cancel or reschedule an event or meeting, you submitted a request form; please email the campus executive assistant (<u>click here</u> for a list of all campus executive assistants or executive dean assistants). You must provide the **reservation number** for your request or specify **the reservation**: Title of Event, dates, time, and room number.



For any room request requiring Plant Ops or Facilities assistant, please request via facilitiesmaintenance@collin.edu.