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Students at Ray Miller Elementary School listen as local law enforcement officers talk about ways to prevent bullying. The campaign used the slogan, "Be a Buddy, Not a Bully."

**BULLY** | Area law enforcement are trying to help prevent bullying at local schools with an anti-bullying campaign for area children

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community," Hardwick said.  
Ray Miller Counselor Peggy Mohan said the program aimed to help the students understand bullying, how it occurs and how to stop it. She said the campaign's slogan "Be a Buddy Not a Bully" was printed on the rubber bracelets the children

received as part of the program. Mohan said this is one of many programs the school has participated in that addresses school bullying. She said this campaign complemented the year-round activities and measures already in place at Ray Miller. She said the children also are encouraged to join an-

ti-bullying clubs and to stand up for themselves and others if they encounter bullying situations.  
Hardwick said if sufficient funding is available, the plan is to continue the campaign during the fall at Ray Miller and expand it to other Kirksville area schools.

**ATHLETIC FEE** | Student Senate approved updates to the Pershing gyms

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2013, McGruder said.  
Head volleyball coach Benjamin Briney said these updates are necessary.

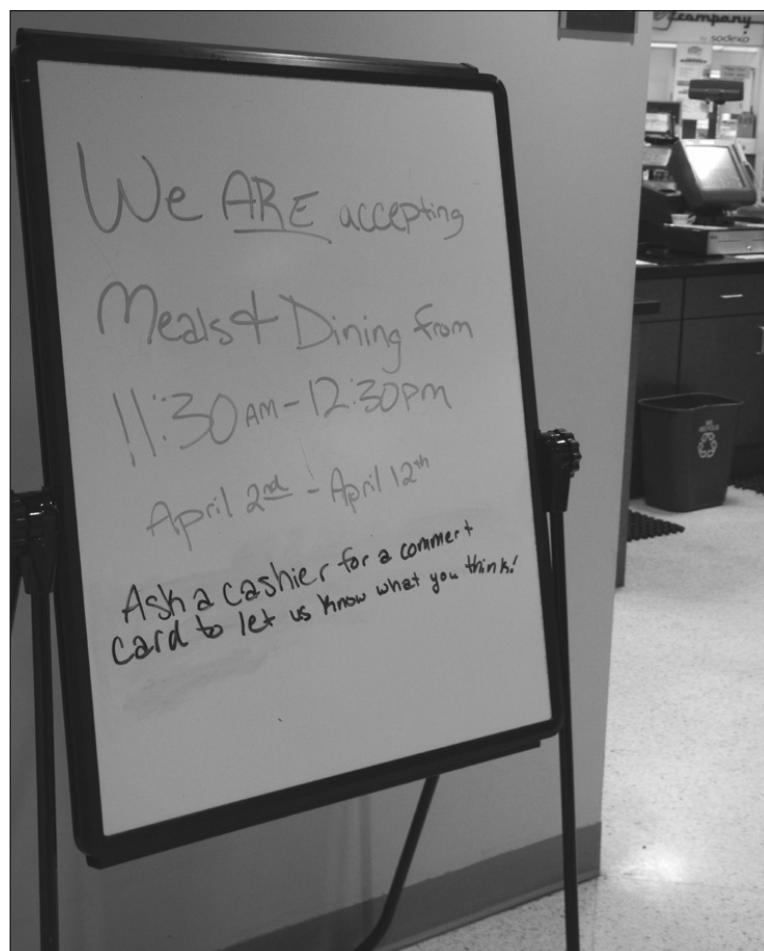
"I think any updates to Pershing are not only going to help the volleyball team but help all sports," Briney said. "Any updates to any facility, if it helps out the University and the athletic department, is a good thing."

Other projects recommended by the Athletic Fee Accountability Committee this year are updates to the baseball and softball fields, which are being considered by the Board of Governors at the April 13 meeting, and updates to Stokes Stadium. Wollmering said another project that might be considered by the committee is new lockers for some of the locker rooms.



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The floor in the Pershing Building main gym will be updated this summer pending approval by the Board of Governors. Updates also will be made to the Pershing Building side gym.



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Mainstreet Market notifies students of the removal of the blackout hours from April 2 to 12. The Food Advisory Committee will decide if the blackout hours will be cut for Fall 2013.

**BLACKOUT** | Truman State's Food Advisory Committee is considering ending blackout hours at the Mainstreet Market in the Student Union Building

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it at the Mainstreet Market because of the current economic recession.

Cunningham said the trial is to see if there might be enough space to allow students to use their meal plans and to solicit feedback. Because students know they can eat in other areas of the Student Union Building such as the SUB Hub or the SUB down under, she said they can take advantage of those spaces, but campus visitors might not know they are allowed to eat there so it is important to have space for them to eat in the dining area near the Mainstreet Market.

As of Tuesday afternoon, Cunningham said there have only been about 35 comment cards returned with responses after more than a week of the trial. The decision to continue the blackout hours or end during the fall semester will be based on how the decision impacts all the Market's custom-

ers, she said.  
"I want to make sure we're taking care of everyone," she said.

Junior Ben Salmon is a student representative to the Food Advisory Committee, and he said this trial period will give the committee an opportunity to view the impact of ending the blackout hours for revenues, on campus students and commuter students.

"I think the trial period is a great idea to get a feel for what the effects are," he said.

He said Sodexo seriously considers the needs of students.

The Food Advisory Committee usually meets once a semester, Cunningham said, but the committee will be meeting again after the trial period to decide whether the policy will be implemented for fall 2013 semester. Students can use their meal plan for the rest of the week during the blackout hours and fill out comment cards at the Mainstreet Market.

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