Q50 - Would you support the Crest Room in the McCullough Student Center being turned into a student lounge and no longer be a space for meetings?

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Q51 - Do you think that the McCullough Student Center should be open for 24-hours a day?

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**Q54 - Optional: What kinds of spaces and facilities would like to see on campus that do not currently exist?**

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- Improved gym equipment, especially a more accurate scale.

- Faculty lounge - they seem to want it

- Party spaces! Nightlife is really decentralized on campus. There's no "place to be" that all students know about, and all students can (and want) to go to. Rather it feels like smaller, more exclusive engagements across (and off) campus, and that the "best" nightlife options are reserved for the happily well-connected.

- Better/more inclusive/expansive Q&A (though maybe the problem is people's interests and not the organization, but wish there was more outreach/better routes for queer community), general sociopolitical activism group that compiles interests of groups like BSU, Alianza, Wonderbread, etc. and provides general space for discussion (not sure this would be effective)

- Student center. Not converting spaces within McCullough, but having an actual student center.

- massage chairs

- Safe and secure space for non-varsity athletes to keep (bigger) equipment like hockey bags, tennis bags, etc.

- Sizeable rooms for dance club rehearsals with safe floors

- a hot tub

- I would appreciate more "lounge like" spaces, as suggested with the Crest room above, where casual studying and socializing can occur.

- Literally anything that gives students a place to sit and talk, especially given the recent news about changes in the meal plan and dining halls, which I consider to be some of the only social spaces on campus for people to meet. The Student Center is made of mostly restaurants, so having a lounge or something anywhere on campus would be nice.

- A Bar

- None

- a beer tab at student center

- Social gathering space

- More relaxed lounge spaces that are open not during dining hall hours (like the Ross lounge and library)

- A study space that is open 24 hours and you can walk in any time

- Maybe a campus bar? Low key chilling spot like the gamut room but with beer and wine.

- A completely student run cafe/more student owned and operated businesses. Middlebury prides itself in supporting entrepreneurship but makes it extremely difficult to start a business on campus.

- An updated weight room

- Makerspace

- Free rentals - ice skates, recreation equipment.
I would love to have an office specifically for LGBT resources and community building, kind of like the AFC but specifically for LGBT students.

Bigger areas in the freshman dorms where organic social gatherings (music, dancing) could occur

More kitchens

A nonspecific prayer room. somewhere students of any and all religions can go specifically for prayer specifically, quiet and comfortable. The meditation room is somewhat cold and is not completely private, and I don't feel comfortable using it.

more spaces to hang out, outside of dining halls in upper classman housing

more bars

Perhaps a room that would be available for clubs to rent to do activities like stationary biking or yoga or something.

A 24 hour dining hall where students could study and reload on coffee, tea, and small snacks.

I think McCollough fails as a student center and should be used more.

I would like to see more party spaces - something that fills the void of Greek life (sports team currently are and social houses have done a poor job at compensating)

Sauna and jacuzzi. Most liberal arts colleges have these

More restaurants

More spaces for independent art. I love the Gamut Room.

Party spaces

Spaces for students with disabilities to hold community

Campus Juice Bar

Bar/Party Spaces other than Atwater

I would say "A bar! A club!" But I won't be 21 until after I graduate, so wtf is the point.

more public chill space

I think the idea to make a student lounge in the student center is wonderful. How do we have a student center and no communal spaces? Frankly it's pretty stupid.

24/7 cafe

I would like to see more exercise equipment in a place other than the gym, like maybe the basements of dorms. Sometimes, the walk is too far if you just want to do a quick workout.

Archery range, rifle range

Houses that are not blocked off from the rest of campus to special interest groups. Let them be given fairly through the lottery system.

More spaces like Atwater where public safety does not shut parties down. The townhouses are great spaces, but many of them are on probation because they had parties. Public Safety should not shut down parties unless there is a legitimate safety concern.

in dorm workout spaces please please please-- for people with injuries and people who feel uncomfortable in the field house

Department lounges! Physics has one!
A game room would be cool

Please put some windows in Crossroads/Grille. Would benefit exponentially from some natural light.

MAKERSPACE!

Maker space

Meditation center, sauna in the gym

Open spaces that are available for students who are not athletes

Permanent Meditation/yoga space with a teacher, a tea house, a hot tub/spa/sauna/steam room with student massage therapists

Work-out facilities not so far away

Spaces for entrepreneurial ideas ON campus

student bar or night club

I'd like the gamut room to be open more often (even thought that's not really what was being asked)

a lounge in McCullough is a great idea

A true student center, not a ramshackle combination of mail, Midd Express, Crossroads/Grille, Wilson, and a few bathrooms.

more food options!

24-hour lounge space, that is not explicitly for studying and maybe has some food/drink options available.

Additional gym near Ross/Bihall; Machine shop/Makerspace

an area for student organizations to display interactive projects

I would like to see a student run bar and kitchen on campus.

a REAL student centered hangout space- the student center is inaccessible and unwelcoming

More rehearsal spaces for movement

apiary/beekeeping club

More piano rooms not in such public places

MORE FOOD OPTIONS

house partys that do not get broken up just because they are happening. The townhouses are a great space that they dont allowed to be utilized from a social standpoint. Everyone I know that has thrown a fun party this year is currently on probation... whcih makes the weekends here really sub par as opposed to all inclusive and exciting and full of options

More places like Crossroads but bigger - especially if dining halls will be becoming more restricted in the future

Frat houses

A space like Proctor lounge for Ross and Atwater

If we are getting a meal plan, we need a much better student center. currently, the dining halls are used as a student gathering area. having a meal plan would change this, and therefore there wouldn't be a communal space on campus for all students.
Areas for meditation.

I would like if the campus provided a space for martial arts. All that is needed is a wrestling mat and a space. This would allow students to practice wrestling, BJJ, muay thai, karate, judo, kung fu, sambo, capoeira, and innumerable other activities. To my knowledge, there is currently no space appropriate for this.

More spaces for activist and cultural orgs

More social spaces for students to hang out in, such as in McCullough.

More spaces for hanging out - also improve the lockerrooms.

bar/social space that isn't as far away as 51 main

with the incoming swipe system, I think more areas where people can hang out and work outside of the dining halls. Like crossroads in the sense that it has a bit of everything.

Public safety allowing students to party or even hang out in larger groups in social houses

arts and crafts space, students can decide what to do-- paint on the walls, express their feelings through art--

Student lounges disassociated from Commons and retail locations.

More student spaces and spaces for group gatherings

Places to have parties that are not atwater, campus bar

I strongly support the crest room initiative. there are so many other meeting spaces on campus that the crest room is not necessary as a meeting space and could turn mccullough into an actually effective student space (similar to the gamut room).

More student lounges and common spaces (with cafes/food)

A social space for students that serves its intended purpose better than mccollough

a more accessible student center-- right now the most social places on campus are by far the dining hall; also, I would like to see more non-dining hall food options

More community spaces. Spaces where all students can mingle (kind of like the dining hall)

bowling alley

better outdoor smoking areas

a 24 hour printing station and midd express, a dining hall/cafeteria that stays open from 2-4 (i'm looking at you grille)

safe spaces like accessible study lounges (like in dorms, but with better lighting)

A makerspace

More accessible spaces!! Why are there no elevators in the new buildings (e.g. Ridgeline)??

Student Run Coffee shop (not crossroads...)

bee hive. we should support bee ecology

a foam pit

An official and institutionally supported center for Queer and LGBTQIA+ students, as well as spaces being made much more accessible to students with disabilities, gender neutral first year housing and gender neutral restrooms with menstrual care products provided by the college, a creative space that is open 24 hours for students to relieve stress through creative processes live sculpture, painting, embroidering etc.
More greenhouse rooms like the one in bihall

Student union/space exclusively for students without a different function

Massage and relaxation room

More social spaces that aren't dependent on drinking.

Intramural Volleyball

spaces that students have control over and aren't overly monitored, where we can leave our physical mark

Amazon locker in McCullough! Amazon pays for upkeep, it doesn't need to be staffed, it's more convenient for students (shorter lines, 24h/day access)

I would like to see a revival of the social houses. The social life at Middlebury has definitely taken a downward turn with the banning of KDR. Without much going on during the weekends, most students are encouraged just stay in their rooms and binge drink on weekends.

Maker space

.Better lighting in Dana for live performances and presentations.

private spaces open for students who so not have a single

MakerSpace; machine / wood shop available to any student with an independent project; industrial kitchen open to any student wishing to cook/bake something

Access to food past 12pm on weeknights that is not a vending machine

Chicken coop.

More healthy food options (could be possible with a change to the dining halls)

Free laundry (or at least laundry that accepts coins and $1 bills).

A better student center, spaces for upper clas men and those of age to hang out and drink

MORE SPACE FOR DISPLAYING ART. A BETTER BUILDING THAN JOHNSON.

MakerSpace, MORE ACCESSIBLE BUILDINGS

More ADA access, student political/activist headquarters or social justice mobilization space,

spaces for casual, organic gathering. As campus gets more full, small lounges get converted into bedrooms, which negatively impacts life on the halls.

More small houses

A place to hang out in McCullough -- the Grille/Crossroads always seems to be closed, and there is nowhere cozy to go. :(

Large student lounge areas with pool or ping pong or other fun activities where people could hang out and play board games and talk.

A real student center with adequate space for a large portion of the student body to be at once

office/ more accessible storage space for student orgs

On campus bar or dance space

A food-based greenhouse that demonstrates sustainable gardening and teaches students how to connect better with their food. The Organic Farm is great but limited throughout most of the academic year. Also a makerspace
A real Student Center. A la UVM, every other college, etc.

an on campus bar, 24 hour student lounge/the student center, another cafe/more non-dining hall food options

A student-run bar in McCullough!

Student-run bar at Crossroads

gender neutral bathrooms; dis/ability inclusive accommodations, kitchens with some cooking supplies

A space for students to hang out and have musical performances offered by the school every now and then

Food open 24/7 even if it's only through Midd Express. Another gym. More lounge areas for students.

More student-only spaces, hang out spots.

In reflection to my answers above, my social experience at Middlebury improved over time because I became more comfortable here; this was not due to the College.

More open exercise spaces-- yoga studios, ellipticals in lounges etc.

better student center

Another ping pong table in a public area would be amazing.

Sauna

More seating places/study lounges in dorms (Forest)

A well-lit space for reading or drawing quietly other than and smaller than the libraries

A sauna (super relaxing-- would definitely help with stress on campus)

A student center where students actually hung out

Makerspace; more student access to the college's scientific equipment

More food options.

Makerspace

Lounge, Movie theater, bowling alley

a real yoga room. doing yoga in the dance studio is subpar

Makerspace or student access to tools already available in other departments. Improvement of mirrors in dance space below proctor.

Frats

Japanese Tea House

More lounge space that is open to everyone, the lounges within dorms feel like they are only for the residence of the dorm.

A more accessible, smaller fitness center that doesn't require going so far and getting overcrowded by varsity athletes. It would be nice to have a more accessible building, probably closer to McCullough

We have so much. Efforts and resource should go to more important topics, like climate change and resisting trump;

Better spaces to gather casually (outside of the dining halls) - the Grille/Crossroads is really the only place that feels like a relaxed gathering place. The Gamut room is also nice, but only open for specific events. In general, the college is full of places of travel or study, with few places to settle and be comfortable. Other small spaces on campus would
be nice - like the reflection room, greenhouse, and the rooms upstairs in the AFC. The AFC itself is quite a nice place to relax and gather - however, it is open limited hours and not exactly to everyone, so it doesn't fill the function of a truly student-owned space. So I suppose what's needed most is just one space on campus where students actually have control - honestly it could just be a warehouse full of junk, but it probably would be a more welcoming place than most of the buildings here.

places to party; all of our spaces are so small and you can't have large social gatherings in them UNLESS its like Palmer basement which is socially unappealing and has large glass windows so pubsafe always wraps anything there at like midnight. i'm telling you this shcool has a PROBLEM. no spaces to party.

More spaces for student entrepreneurship!

More small lounges and comfortable screening rooms to spend time with friends at; healthy and free late night eating options - salads, fruits, yoghurt, whole grain items - also such food options at kiosks other than the dining halls - should be free - just liek you would go to the dining hall - excpet in other locations in a more to-go form-considering the cost of education - this really shoudl be possible. because of changing schedules, being in a different location etc - I end up spending money on food which should really be available for free.

Greenroom, Marketplace

More general common spaces

More food choices. I.E. another cafe or good place to eat other than a dining hall.

Please do not take away the friday off day during winter carnival!! It is such a tradition and it allows students to engage in carnival as they wish

An entertainment center, please. Pool tables, foosball, ping pong, playstation or xbox, something to do if you do not have friends and you dont have a car to go out or you are not a party person

Spaces to make private phone calls. Students in doubles may need places to make private calls and there's stigma in taking up a study room / lounge in both public and residential spaces.

More spaces to rent out/book for parties

A better sandbag for kickboxing would be nice. The one that is at the athletic center now has a squeaky chain. :(

Fraternities

An open space where people can organically meet up that isn’t as frequented as the dining hall. There aren't really any spaces like this! The Grille and Crossroads do not feel open enough for natural conversation to take place and their hours do not align with meetings at any time of the day.

Make art and WOODSHOP more accessible , dance studio should be open, music spaces should be more accessible/more advertised

More of a woodworking space or makerspace where students not enrolled in art classes can have access to tools and space to make things!

I want to see more opportunities for spiritual guidance and reflection

Space to appreciate wildlife in Vermont/Middlebury

More cafes!! Crossroads aren't ever open on the weekends for people to work

More study spaces

An actual student center... more spaces for medium-sized student concerts and gatherings, other than just the gamut room.

makerspace, 24 hr study space available,

Game room
Many complain about the lack of a central social gathering place. I think dining halls serve this purpose quite well. However, if a swipe system is implemented that may disrupt this, the school has to think carefully about replacing it. I think one of the dining halls could/should be turned into a social lounge/hangout place.

Because the dining hall is changing, there should be more gathering spaces where people can just sit and hang out.

A student-run cafe; a more social student center space with lots of light and chairs

expand availability for bihall kiosk

Need a better student center, and the crest room will not fill this need.

A student center that is actually used by the students!!!!!!!!!!!!

Regular shuttles to the gym and art center. Better cafe in Bihall and David.

more student workspace for hands on projects

I like the relaxation area in the library, that should be expanded.

Better cafe

A 24/7 open student lounge (like McCullough).

I feel that a large issue faced on campus is the social frustration faced on the weekends. While it is not everyone, I feel that many come to this school with the intent that it will be a work hard environment but that should also be countered with a thriving outlet on weekends. Many of the options available are exclusive and require knowing someone, or are empty because they are dry events and many people would rather go places where they can have a drink as well as dance.

Hot tub, steam room, sauna, bowling alley, squash courts closer to center of campus

More cozy study/social spaces

Student Bar on Campus

Art studios

More healthy food options/cafes etc

a place to sit one on one with people, especially people you don't know, and have the ability to sit down and be comfortable meeting someone new

more organic student spaces (gamut room) that aren't in mccullough (it's not a good building for those things). more studio art spaces.

A more student-centered student center... the one we have now is full of administrative offices and no real study/lounge/socialize areas.

I think turning the Crest Room into a student lounge is a great idea. I wish McCullough was more geared towards student area hangouts because currently, Middlebury does not have a valid "student center" as I have witnessed at plethora of other colleges. It should also be open more hours even if the services (Grille and Cafe) are not operating. The back lounge and the room of the Cafe are awesome spaces and are closed too often during day on weekends (esp Sunday), and should be a place where we can congregate, study, hang, and share ideas, etc... We need a central inviting and functional student space!

Makerspace

Student lounges

A fully functioning ride service. Middrides is useless. Rather don't have it at all then constantly frustrate people.
More of those de-stress zones like Davis had last semester (or possibly still now)
more social houses would be a good thing, I think, or at least more house hosted parties, so that there can be a shift away from overcrowded atwater parties.

Studio with sewing machines, paint, carpentry equipment (crafts in general, like the ceramics house or the old stone mill, but open to anyone and no only tenors)

McCullough is a sad excuse for a student center-- nobody wants to hang out somewhere where there are no windows. If the school is potentially destroying community by instituting a swipe system, it needs a much more comfortable place for students to socialize on campus.

Fraternities/Sororities - I get that there is a somewhat deserved stigma around them but our current system merely perpetuates exclusivity and dangerous drinking habits. If they were well regulated and plentiful there would be a much better social scene at Midd

If the administration is forcing students to live on campus they need to buy actual houses for students to live in, not just build more dorms

More food options

more spaces like Carr Hall

I love the AFC. It's all I need. So as of now, there are no other facilities I desire.

small restaurants like the grille

More spaces open 24/7 for students to gather

hot tub

A queer resource center

Some place to spend time 24 hours a day.

More substance free spaces, more places to hang out that don't automatically involve alcohol

more free flowing social environments or places to congregate

On campus bar, healthy food

more 24 hour study spaces, more student parking at the athletic center

Ice skates for students

a 24-hour prayer/meditation space

Better gathering areas, especially since I expect the meal plan to ruin the dining halls as social spaces.