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Campus Sustainability Day TRANSPORTATION STUDY RESULTS

Campus Sustainability Day, October 26th, saw the first transportation challenge on campus. How long does it take to get from point 'A' to point 'B' at noon on a Wednesday in the middle of the semester? Is it faster by car, bike, bus or foot? By how much? In three out of five trials, moving from different places on campus (Student Services, Communication Arts, and Brody) to the Administration Building a bike was the fastest. The car won from Nisbet and from the Clinical Center, but only by 1:42 and 0:09 minutes respectively. For shorter distances, walking was faster than a car times of 1:35 and 1:20. Participants included students, faculty, and staff. Visit www.ecofoot.msu.edu for full results.



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"In truth, I'm much more of a campus walker than a campus driver, so my feedback leans towards the subjective aspect of the experience. For this demonstration exercise, I actually got from here (Brody) to there (Administration) in a short amount of time, but then had to search for central campus parking, which as we all know, can be very stressful. I much prefer, and usually do, walk. I can traverse the Hagadorn-Harrison distance in a little over half an hour, obtain relaxing exercise, and if I'm fortunate enough to have a walking partner, enjoy socializing. Weather permitting, my first choice for most one-on-one meetings is to suggest a "walk and talk" in the gardens. At MSU we work in a lovely park, but if we don't get out of our offices, that aspect of the daily grind is lost on us."

"The best part of walking was having the chance to enjoy campus. I went through the Horticultural Gardens, past the preachers outside Wells Hall, and across the river with the reflection of the trees in color. Probably the

RESULTS OF THE TRANSPORTATION STUDY

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** All travelers met up at the Hannah statue outside the Administration*

Starting Point — Student Services Building

BIKE — Fastest

PEDESTRIAN — 1:35 Longer Than Bike

HYBRID — 3:50 Longer Than Bike

Starting Point — Communication Arts and Sciences Building

BIKE — Fastest

PEDESTRIAN — 1:20 Longer Than Bike

Starting Point — Student Services Building

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PEDESTRIAN — 1:35 Longer Than Bike

HYBRID — 3:50 Longer Than Bike

Starting Point — Communication Arts and Sciences Building

BIKE — Fastest

PEDESTRIAN — 1:20 Longer Than Bike

HYBRID — 2:12 Longer Than Bike

BUS — 20:07 Longer Than Bike

Starting Point — MSU Clinical Center

HYBRID — Fastest

BIKE — 0:09 Longer Than Hybrid

PEDESTRIAN — 11:42 Longer Than Hybrid

Starting Point — Brody Complex

BIKE — Fastest

HYBRID — 1:12 Longer Than Bike

BUS — 4:03 Longer Than Bike

PEDESTRIAN — 10:28 Longer Than Bike