Opinion Resolution: Accessibility Ramps

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**Aware**

The sidewalks around Austin College are lacking in ramp connections to the street. Although they can be found in some places, they are quite inconsistent. For example, the sidewalks between Dean and the Forster art complex do not have ramps which connect the sidewalk to the street.

**Having Seen**

Austin College has parts of campus that are interrupted by streets, such as the region between dean and the village. This area makes it hard for non-pedestrians to cross campus. In places where there are slopes, there are cylindrical vehicle barriers that prohibit someone from using them to their advantage.

**Convinced**

Austin College would benefit from the installation of ramps around more areas on campus. The lack of ramps makes it difficult for people in the Austin College community and visitors in wheelchairs to enter campus. In addition to the lack of accessibility, the students who use other means of transportation—bikes, skateboards, scooters, or any other form of mechanical transportation—face an inconvenience when entering campus grounds. The sidewalks are made more convenient and safer for pedestrians.

**Be it Resolved**

That existing curbs on campus include accessibility ramps to offer alternative entrances to campus. In addition to the existing ramps, all future cement laid for entrances, should include ramps.

**Visual References**