

### A LEED Gold-Certified Science Facility

Austin College's IDEA Center is the first LEED Gold-certified facility in Grayson County.

LEED (Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design) is a green building certification system created by the U.S. Green Building Council. It recognizes best-in-class building strategies and practices.

There are four levels of certification: Certified, Silver, Gold, and Platinum. Facilities earn credits in categories of Sustainable Sites, Water Efficiency, Energy & Atmosphere, Materials & Resources, Indoor Environmental Quality, and Innovation in Design.

The building's green features set a new standard for campus sustainability while nurturing respect for knowledge and for Inquiry, Discovery, Entrepreneurship, and Access (IDEA).

Enjoy your self-guided green tour of the IDEA Center!







#### **IDEA Center's Green Features**



Water Efficiency



Water Capture



Green Cleaning



**Energy Recovery** 



Thermal Comfort



Natural Lighting & Shading



Cool Roof



Green Power



**Green Transportation** 



Living Lab



Responsibly Harvested Materials



Regional Materials



Recycled Materials



Construction Waste



Campus Recycling



Regulated Air Flow

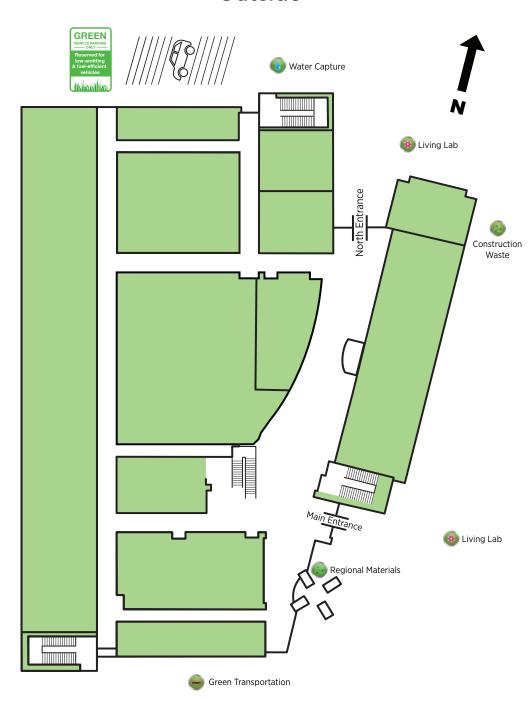


Low-Emitting Materials

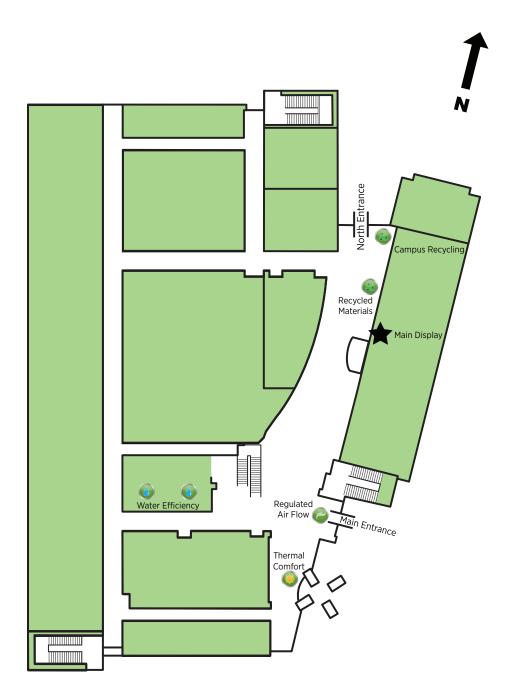


Smart Fume Hoods

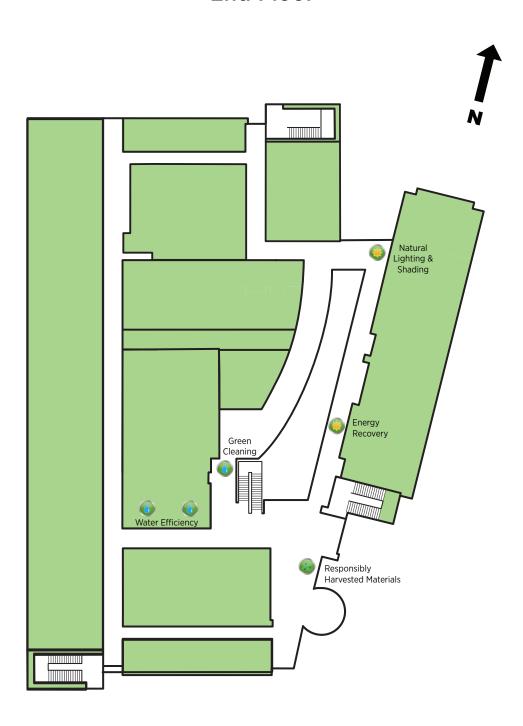
## Outside



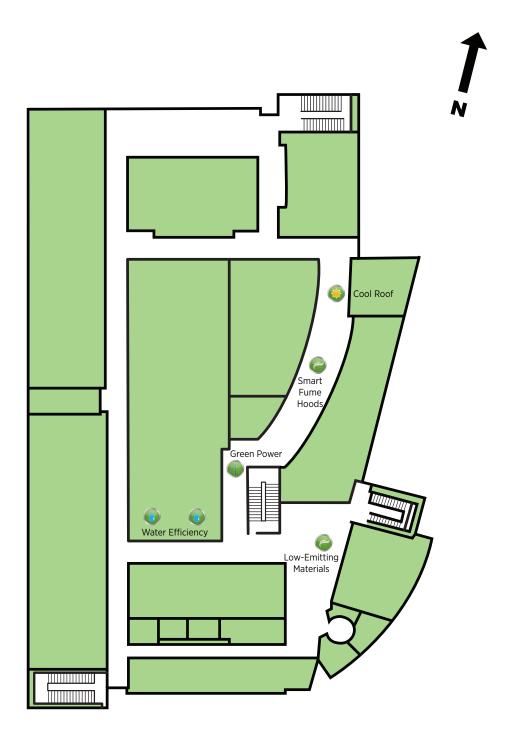
## 1st Floor



# 2nd Floor



# **3rd Floor**





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The mission of Austin College Thinking Green is to facilitate attitudes, behaviors, policies, and technologies that promote environmental responsibility, reduce resource consumption, and minimize waste production.









- Recognition in The Princeton Review's Guide to Green Colleges
- GreenServe, a day of service dedicated to the environment
- · AC Unplugged, a month-long electricity conservation competition among residence halls
- Student Sustainability Fund for student-initiated greening proposals
- · Native tallgrass prairie restoration and outreach at Sneed Environmental Research Area
- Signatory of the American College and University Presidents' Climate Commitment to reduce campus-wide greenhouse gas emissions
- Development of the Sherman Community Garden
- Reusable to-go containers and composting of pre-consumer food waste in the dining hall

For more information, please visit www.austincollege.edu/thinking-green