

March 12, 2026

ITEM 223-2004-R0326

Request for Authorization to Complete Instructional Space Renovations; Montana State University

THAT

Consistent with MCA 18-2-102 and BOR Policy 1003.7, the Board of Regents authorizes Montana State University to spend up to \$4,000,000 to complete instructional space renovations.

EXPLANATION

1. MSU received \$4,000,000 of legislative authority only in House Bill 5 from the 69th Legislature to improve instructional spaces – classrooms and laboratories – within multiple buildings on campus.
 2. MSU completes annual classroom and laboratory condition assessments to identify the physical condition of all instructional spaces and to objectively prioritize improvements through the Classroom Committee.
 3. Spaces selected for improvements are prioritized based on the following: the physical condition, opportunities for improved accessibility, improvement to space utilization rates, pedagogical needs of campus, and registrar course scheduling.
 4. The project will modernize approximately 10-15 classrooms and instructional lab spaces in up to 6 different academic buildings; improvements will address deferred maintenance, improve occupant safety, address accessibility needs, apply modern instructional technology, and provide furniture systems fit for modern teaching and learning pedagogies.
 5. The work will be paid for using project plant funds with student building fees.
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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment #1: Physical Plant 1003.7