

Innovation Center Advisory Panel

April 14, 2026



WHITEWATER UNIVERSITY
INNOVATION CENTER

Innovation Center Lease Update

- 84.9% occupancy, 15.1% vacancy (approx.)
- Vacant suites:
 - 115, 122, 124, 216, 223
- Currently working to negotiate two lease renewals (iButtonLink and JEDI)
- Nysten & Partners recently renewed
- Riemer Systems ending lease in June
- No other recent rent inquiries received
- Have asked Kreative Solution to start promoting vacant suites more, along with continued promotion of workspace leases and facility rentals

Innovation Center Rental Update

- Rental inquiries increased in Q1 2026. Group meetings, trainings, etc
- Generally charging \$25.00/hr for rentals of single spaces, \$75.00 for use of Conference Room 105 and Atrium

Innovation Center Miscellaneous Work

- Recently hosted a City of Whitewater Comprehensive Plan Update “pop up” feedback event in the Atrium
- Warkhawk Business Plan Competition – April 8th
- Tech Council Luncheon – April 15th
- Working with Economic Development Coordinator on potential new ideas to bring in start-ups or other users
- Future use considerations:
 - Childcare project is no longer being considered at the Innovation Center
 - Workgroup is continuing to look at other possible locations in the community
- New signage for Business Park being explored, possibly digital