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King's College was founded in 1946 by the Congregation of Holy Cross from the University of Notre Dame. Ranked 366 out of the 600 best colleges in the nation by Forbes Magazine, the school prides itself in the ability to offer students personal attention, and a supportive environment- one that sets the school apart from their larger contemporaries. King's on the Square is a transformational milestone for King's College, the City of Wilkes-Barre and Northeastern Pennsylvania. The northwest anchor corner of Public Square is being reborn from a hotel into a vibrant and dynamic center for learning and living. A center that trains leaders in growing, in-demand, and well-paid health care professions and that will house hundreds of student-consumers at the doorsteps of downtown merchants.

When designing the facility, King's began to lay the foundation for the college's first foray into the BYOD environment. The bring your own device, or BYOD, movement promises easier access to resources such as textbooks and educational services for students, and increased productivity and enhanced collaboration among faculty and staff. While many campuses are utilizing the vir-

tual desktop approach to the BYOD movement, King's is looking to move into the next generation, which has brought on its challenges. “Our goal is to deliver all IT resources that a student can utilize on a machine in a computer lab or classroom, and access the same tools and software from a browser on their own device,” said Paul Moran Executive Director of IITS. In another step to the college's ultimate goal, the PA Studies faculty were all provided with tablet technology as their primary computing resource. “We want each faculty member to be able to take their device and go from their home, to their office and in to the classroom-seamlessly.” King's is viewing BYOD as an opportunity, embracing collaboration software, wireless presentation and media sharing to enliven the next-generation's educational experience. “The bottom-line is we want to bring the technology to the student, rather than bringing the student to the technology,” stated Ray Pryor, Managing Director of User Services.