Bells

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The University of Michigan has two bell towers on campus. Burton Tower is on Central Campus, Lurie Tower is located on North Campus. Maintenance Services is responsible maintaining the bells with proper preventive maintenance. This includes regular oiling and greasing service.

The decision to shut off the bells (keep them from ringing) resides outside of Facilities & Operations. In fact, the bells can be silenced by staff from the School of Music without Facilities & Operations intervention. If Facilities & Operations receives a call to silence the bells, we would first need authorization to do so from the School of Music and from the office of the Associate Vice President for Facilities & Operations. When authorized, Facilities & Operations would follow the usual lockout/tag out procedures prescribed for such a shutdown and notice would be provided to Facilities & Operations management.