The Horace Mann Center
(Formerly 333 Western Ave)

A. History

The Horace Mann Center was originally built in 1968 as the Corporate Headquarters of the Stanley Home Products Company.

In 2000-01 Westfield State College purchased the building and performed extensive renovations on both the infrastructure and cosmetics including data, electrical, generator, office and conference room upgrades as well as additional parking spaces.

Current occupants include the President’s office, Administration and Finance, Human Resources, Alumni Office, Advancement and College Relations, Admissions, Criminal Justice Department and classrooms, Development Office, Financial Aid, Graduate and Continuing Education, Marketing, Media Relations, Purchasing, Equal Opportunity Office,
Student Accounts, Student Administrative Services, and Conference Services.

In addition to college departments and classroom facilities, the grounds includes garden space for staff to grow produce for local Food Banks and community use.

Horace Mann was known as The Father of American Education. Initially, he was a Massachusetts state representative and senator, becoming a champion of free, public, non-sectarian education for all men and women. In 1837 he became the first Secretary of the Massachusetts State Board of Education, He established schools for Teacher Training and School District Libraries, winning public financial support for these initiatives. Some of his ideas were formed through a visit to the Prussian Education System. In 1848 he took the vacated seat of a U.S. Congressman, and in 1853 he assumed the Presidency of Antioch College in Yellow Springs, Ohio which he held until his death in 1859.
B. Structural Data

Construction Type: 2C
Occupancy Group: B
Year Built:
Height: Three story building. Two floors above grade and one below, with 33’
        height above grade. 780 CMR 503: Three (3) stories, 40”. 780 CMR 504.2:
        add one (1) story and 20”.
        Garage: 5,355 square feet.
Superstructure Type: Steel framed structure
Foundation Type: Concrete
Floor: Concrete slab over steel deck.
Ceiling:
Roof: Steel framed with fully adhered PVC membrane over mechanically
      attached rigid insulation.
Exterior Walls: Steel framed and pre-cast masonry panels.
Interior Finish: New metal stud walls, existing metal stud walls and wood stud walls.
Fuels: Natural Gas
Heat: Two (2) Gas Fired Boilers- volume reheat systems and
      supplementary/electric heat along exterior walls.
Hot Water: Domestic hot water heater
A/C: 5 Carrier roof top units.
Ventilation: Ducted system with a ceiling return plenum
Electrical Service: 2,000 amp, 277/480 volt phase 4 wire.
Emergency Light: Yes
Emergency Power: Caterpillar SR4B diesel; Serial 8HG01809; 500 kw, 480Y/277 voltage;
                 753 amps
Fire Alarm Equip: Smoke detectors and alarm of sprinkler system.
Suppression: Wet pipe sprinkler system.
Smoke Evacuation: Posted in hallways.
Extinguishers: Telephone and data room/Data closets
I. T.: Honeywell
EMS: Lawn Sprinklers
Irrigation: Two
Chimneys: One passenger: Bay State
Elevator: Shafts / Floor Openings: Two (2) rated stairwells from basement to 2nd floor. Open stair lobby from
          1st to 2nd floor.
          None
Atria: 2nd fl occ. load = 139, 3 exits (exceeds 1010.2 – 2 min. exits)
Egress: 1st fl occ. load = 154, 3 exits (exceeds 1010.2 – 2 min. exits)
          Basement and garage fl occ. load = 483, 3 exits (exceeds 1010.2 – 2 min
Emergency evacuation signs:

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<td>Lot Area</td>
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<td>Number of Off-Street Parking Areas</td>
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<td>Elevator has yearly inspection: posted on site. Boiler has yearly inspection: posted on site. A/C has yearly inspection: posted on site.</td>
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