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The Federal Communications Commission has awarded a construction permit to The Evergreen State College for a ten-watt FM radio station, which probably will become operational during Fall Quarter, 1972.

The non-commercial educational station, operating from studios in Evergreen's College Activities Building, will be staffed by students and will be governed by a Radio Board of Directors, working under authority of the institution's Board of Trustees, which is the licensee.

Call letters for the new station have not been chosen yet and when selected will have to be approved by the FCC. The station, generating a signal extending from the campus in a four-to-five-mile radius, will broadcast from 89.3 on the FM radio band.

Present plans call for operating the Evergreen FM station from 6:00 to 12:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday; 6:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m., Friday and Saturday; and noon to midnight on Sunday. Student staff positions would include a station manager, program manager, chief engineer, educational director, music director and announcers. Students will receive programming, production and technical advice from two college staff members, John Brown, and electronics media producer, and Bob Costello, media engineer.

Student Dean Katz of Seattle will serve as the initial station manager.

The FM station's objectives, according to a policy statement presented to Evergreen's Board of Trustees earlier this year, include "broadcasting programs of an educational, informational, cultural, or entertaining nature, with special attention to programs originating on the college campus; and to provide facilities for communicating information about college affairs to students, faculty, staff, and the general public.'

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