

WASHINGTON COLLEGE

CPG Update: January 15, 2021

Welcome Back Students!

We are incredibly excited to be welcoming students back to campus starting this Tuesday, Jan. 19! As we all know, this semester is going to look different and feel different for all of us. The way we go about our day-to-day routines will remain altered due to COVID. Our success this semester is tied to working together to embrace these changes. We are all being called upon and we know that as a flock, we are BETTER TOGETHER.

CENTRAL SERVICES OPERATIONS

As with all campus operations, the Central Services Department will have adjusted hours and procedures for the spring semester.

Central Services (where on-campus students receive and send out mail and packages) plans to be open from 1 PM to 3 PM M-F for the Spring 2021 semester.

Off campus students should be receiving their mail and packages at their off-campus address or at the Chestertown Post Office.

Students are permitted to come to WC Central Services to retrieve their mail and packages during their initial quarantine period as it is an essential service. Please follow all appropriate mitigation when coming to Central services (face mask, social distance, etc.).

Please refer to the WC Central Services <u>webpage</u> for more information for on and off campus students regarding how to handle incoming and outgoing mail and packages for the semester.



WC Student & Parent Spring Semester Information Forum

Spring Semester Forum with Students & Parents -<u>Watch the Recording</u> <u>HERE</u>.

MEET THE QUARANTINE AND ISOLATION COORDINATORS!

Please join us in welcoming **Jacob Smith** and **Christopher Sutton** to the Washington College team! Jacob and Chris are both working as full-time Quarantine & Isolation Coordinators, and as much will be facilitating the support for any students who will need to be moved into Quarantine or Isolation Housing during the spring semester.





Meet our Quarantine & Isolation Coordinators!

H20 UPDATE

As a follow up to a number of questions we received about access to drinking water for students while on campus, here is some additional clarity and information about what will be available during the spring semester.

- As noted, all water fountains will be closed, as a precaution against the spread of COVID.
- Refillable water stations are installed in a few locations throughout campus, and those will remain open.
- If a student would like to have a water cooler in their room, that is permitted.
- ResLife encourages students who want filtered water to bring a water container with a built-in filter. This is a good ecofriendly option.



A Video Greeting from Dr. Sarah Feyerherm, VP – Student Affairs

DON'T MISS THIS <u>SPECIAL VIDEO GREETING</u> FROM DEAN FEYERHERM!



DINING SERVICES UPDATES

Dining Services will be sending an email with a SignUp Genius link in it on Monday, Jan. 18 and again on Jan. 31 (for a post-quarantine pick-up time). Students should use this link to select a timeslot for dining. The purpose is to help control the number of guests that are in the dining hall at any given time. While Dining Services encourages students to maintain these time slots, no student will be refused access to dining during our normal operating hours.

Students with special dietary needs will also be able to use the comment section when they sign up, to make request or to have a special meal prepared by one of our Chefs.

Other information about operations:

- During the spring semester the dining hall, Martha's and Java will be operating normal business hours. Students can visit these locations at any time.
- Create, our sandwich shop, will be closed.
- To promote social distancing the dining hall will have continual service from 7:30am to 7:30pm with short 30 min breaks to change over from breakfast to lunch and lunch to dinner.
- To help control the spread of COVID-19 and to minimize cross contamination all food in dining will be "served" on a disposable plate or in a disposable tamper proof container.
- Table and chairs in the main dining hall have been arranged to promote social distancing. Once the main dining hall opens students will be allowed to eat in but will not be able to rearrange furniture to sit in groups.
- Students can use the outside patios off the main dining hall, and the large patio near the "George Head" to sit with friends.
- All students with an active ID will have access to Hodson. Students with meal plans or commuter plans will be able to use swipes to access the main dining hall and utilize dining dollars or credit cards to make purchases in retail.
- Students living off campus will be able to access Hodson and can pay with a credit card for a meal in the main dining or for items in retail.
- Dining will not be accepting cash during the spring semester.
- <u>Click here</u> to access the Dining Services Spring 2021 Opening Plan.

DINING SERVICES - HOURS OF OPERATION:

- Quarantine Hours starting 1/19/21: 10am 6pm
- Dining Hall Hours Starting 2/1/21: 7:30am -7:30pm
- Java: 8am 10pm (opening 2/15)
- Martha's: 5pm 11pm (opening 2/15)
- Create: Closed





QUARANTINE & ISOLATION PLANNING GUIDE

A separate Quarantine & Isolation Planning Guide has been sent out to all students via email. This document expands on some of the details previously provided in the Ultimate Guide to the Spring 2021 semester.

All students should be prepared with a quarantine and isolation plan that will need to be in effect should they:

- Test positive for COVID
- Be identified as having been exposed to COVID through a close contact

Once notified of either of the above, the Health Services Team will discuss all options with students to ensure they are supported and have a plan. Please review this guide and come ready with your Go-Kit! The document can also be accessed <u>here</u>.

MOVE-IN INFORMATION

A few general reminders/notes about move-in procedures. (NOTE: You will also receive a direct communication from the ResLife team prior to your assigned move-in date)

- When you arrive to campus via the Rt. 213 Main Entrance, you will be directed to Kirby Stadium this is your first stop!
- All arriving students will proceed to the COVID testing area at the stadium for their gateway COVID test. Health Services will also confirm that all required paperwork has been submitted.
- From there, you will move to the CAC Circle, where the Residential Life staff will proceed with check-in. This will include your room key, and if applicable, Student ID and parking pass.
- Once check-in has been completed, you will be directed to your residence hall to move in your belongings. Each student may have two helpers with them.
- There is a 2-hour window for move-in. It is not necessary to arrive more than a few minutes in advance of that assigned time, and the COVID testing and check-in process will move swiftly.
- Be sure to stop by the #goosenation letters for a photo!

