



# Walnut Hill College

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Founded in 1974 as The Restaurant School

## Walnut Hill College is resuming on-ground learning on Saturday, January 16<sup>th</sup>!

The City of Philadelphia has extended a **“Safer at Home”** decision. The city’s leadership, including everyone here at the college, cares very much for your safety. The plans:

**Walnut Hill College is extending your Winter Break until Friday, January 15<sup>th</sup> for dorm move-in and Saturday January 16 for on-campus classes to resume.**

- ✓ Of course, we all understand that the news can change, but as of today, the college intends to have you back on campus for on-campus learning in January!

### **Will we be completing any remote learning during the Extended Winter Break?**

- ✓ No. No additional remote learning is planned at this time, we are simply extending your Winter Break until January 15<sup>th</sup>.
- ✓ We want you learning in our kitchens, pastry shops, and dining rooms!

### **Why has the college chosen to extend the Winter Break rather than continue with remote learning?**

- ✓ Our Mission as a college is to provide our students with an inspiring and distinctive educational experience.
- ✓ We believe that is best accomplished in our kitchens, pastry shop, restaurants and dining rooms.
- ✓ As such, we are choosing to modify the Academic Year in hopes of continuing with our dynamic on-ground learning programs by mid-January.

**Will this affect the Academic Calendar?**

- ✓ Yes, the Academic Calendar will be adjusted.
- ✓ The College is currently modifying its Academic Calendar and specific details will be provided soon.

**When will classes resume?**

- ✓ Full-Time and Extended Program **on-campus classes will resume on Saturday, January 16<sup>th</sup>**

**When can I move back into my dorm?**

- ✓ Residential Learning students can **move back onto campus beginning on Friday, January 15<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am.**

**Will this Term still end on February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021?**

- ✓ No. The end of the Term will be extended until February 19<sup>th</sup>, and the start of next Term will be occur February 20<sup>th</sup>.

**Will this change our scheduled graduation date?**

- ✓ Yes. The graduation date for our February graduates will be February 19<sup>th</sup>.

**Could any of these plans change?**

- ✓ Of course, we all know by now, the news changes almost daily.
- ✓ We are very encouraged by the vaccinations that are occurring around the world.
- ✓ Nearly all healthcare workers and most residents of nursing homes will be vaccinated within the next two weeks.
- ✓ Just hours ago, it was announced that the US government has agreed to purchase 100 million additional vaccines from Pfizer.
- ✓ Pfizer and BioNTech has announced a new vaccine to manage the “virus variant” that has challenged the UK. The new vaccine will be available in six weeks.
- ✓ Moderna’s vaccines have also been delivered throughout the United States.
- ✓ Four other vaccines are expected to be approved and distributed throughout the United States in early 2021.
- ✓ Of course, the College has plans to prepare for any scenario, however, we are not expecting further delays and it our sincere hope that we are permitted to have our students back on campus by mid-January!

***We are looking forward to your return to campus!***

***HAVE A SAFE, HEALTHY, AND HAPPY  
EXTENDED WINTER BREAK!***