



Westmont and its dining services partner, Sodexo, have worked throughout the summer to develop a revised food service model that allows for appropriate physical distancing between diners and nearly eliminates high-touch surfaces in the DC. While the coronavirus has required a number of changes in how food is provided, it has also opened the possibility of students being able to get food from more locations than just the DC.

DINING COMMONS

- As students enter the DC (wearing their face covering, of course!), they will be spaced at intervals of six feet through the use of clearly marked floor decals. Students will make their way to the salad bar and/or their desired entrée serving station, where they will make their selection.
- Food will be prepackaged by Sodexo staff in to-go containers so there is no sharing of serving utensils.
- Included with the to-go containers will be utensils, condiments, and a sani-wipe to clean their table prior to use.
- Once students have selected and received all of their food and obtained their prepackaged beverage or a drink from a touch-free fountain machine, they will exit the DC.
- Because of the need for physical distancing and the new traffic flow through the dining area, there will be no seating in the DC itself. Seating will be available in a number of locations, which may include the patio, Monroe, Founders, and several outdoor locations under tents or shade screens. Students may also choose to take food back to their rooms, residence hall lounges, or other locations of their choosing.
- Sodexo staff will clean and sanitize the DC and each of the seating areas (including those outdoors) after each major meal period. Students will also have the opportunity to wipe down their table before eating to ensure cleanliness.
- In light of the more regimented traffic flow in the DC, the college is anticipating the addition of distributed grab-and-go dining options for breakfast and lunch during weekdays. While the selections would be more limited than in the DC, the intent would be to enable students who so desired to get a quick meal in a less congested environment.
- As students enter the DC, they will notice that the cashier station now has Plexiglass panels and a fully touchless scanning and payment system. Additional hand sanitizer stations have also been added.

RITCHIE'S PLACE

- Ritchie's Place will be open for beverage service and will serve as one of the satellite grab-and-go locations on campus.
- In addition to payment by credit card, students will be able to access their Flex Dollars or Munch Money via the website and mobile app.