Dear <<Name>>,

The Department of Housing, Dining & Student Centers and Department of Residential Education hope you enjoyed your Thanksgiving holiday and start of Winter Break. With Winter Quarter approaching, we want to address the December 3rd email from President Esteban and Provost Ghanem, which outlines important information about classes and on-campus housing.

Due to the rising concerns over the Omicron variant and the proximity of the holidays to the start of Winter Quarter, all classes will be held online during the first two weeks of Winter Quarter and in-person classes are scheduled to resume after Martin Luther King, Jr. Day on Tuesday, January 18, 2022. Campus residence halls will open as scheduled on Sunday, January 2, 2022.

We ask that residents share the date they expect to return to campus, but note these important details first:

- Residents may return to campus between January 2 and January 16.
- Because housing and dining will be available starting January 2, full Winter Quarter housing and dining charges will remain, regardless of the date you return to campus.
- From January 2-17, Lincoln Park Dining in the Student Center will be open but limited to carryout orders only – seating in and around dining areas will be unavailable. Loop Dining in the DePaul Center will be closed until January 18, 2022. Residents who choose to pick up meals at the Lincoln Park Student Center are asked to use their OZZI token and OZZI reusable containers.
- Residents should expect some limitations regarding the resident hall visitor policy, for the first two weeks of January, in an effort to keep our residential communities safe. An update will be posted on the Visitor Policies webpage before Winter Quarter begins.
- For more updates regarding Winter Quarter housing, review our Winter
Quarter FAQs and COVID-19 Campus Housing Information webpages.

To assist us in planning for your return to campus for Winter Quarter, please complete the Winter Quarter Resident Survey by Monday, December 13.

Winter Quarter Resident Survey

NOTE: You will receive an additional email, the last week of December, regarding your Winter Quarter check-in which will activate your residence hall access.

Finally, we highly recommend getting a COVID booster shot, if eligible, and taking a COVID test before your return to campus, ideally no longer than 72 hours before arrival. We may ask to see proof of a negative test upon your arrival back to campus. For those who cannot get tested before coming back to campus, testing will be available and details for dates and times will be posted on our FAQ page.

We understand this is not ideal in an already difficult year and we fully empathize with you. We are here for you and if you have any questions, do not hesitate to reach out to us at housing@depaul.edu.

Take care,

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