



## **DINING SERVICES**

SUMMARY FOR STUDENTS AND PARENTS

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. We are constrained by County/State guidelines to provide meals to go, and no dining is permitted inside the DC.

- 1. The main DC entrance will be for **entering only**.
- 2. There will be two socially distanced lines outside the DC, one through the right door for the main DC options (which will then have the normal split at the cashier kiosk of retail to the left and meal plans to the right), and one through the left door for "123-To-Go" meals (see below) in Alumni, which you will enter through the DC foyer. Masks will be required while in line and in the facilities.
- 3. From the 123-To-Go area, you will **exit only** through the Alumni Gallery front (outside) door. If you instead choose to get your meal in the DC, after going through the stations queue, you will exit only through the patio via the door that is near Monroe Dining Room, and then continue exiting through the patio (unless there is an available seat on the patio you wish to use). There will be no re-entrance to the DC on the same meal swipe after obtaining your meal.
- 4. As you go through the DC queue, you will only be able to "step up" to one entree station, so you will need to have pre-selected which meal station you want to stop at. Information about that meal period's options will be posted throughout the DC. You can also see that and more while waiting in line by using the **Bite by Sodexo app**. The app also includes information about nutrition and allergens to assist in your selection. Beverages, cereals, breads, salads, desserts, etc. will be at various stops along the route, depending on the meal period. The touch screen Pepsi machine has been temporarily replaced with a more conventional push-lever fountain machine to make it touchless.
- 5. There will be a quicker "123-To-Go" service, at both Alumni Gallery and at the Porter Theater Box Office Window, for breakfast and lunch on Monday through Friday only. At Alumni Gallery (but not at Porter Theater), there will be additional retail items you can purchase extra as well. This is being provided to ease what might be a little longer than usual wait for the main Dining Commons.

A quick grab "123-To-Go" meal will consist of choosing one item from each of three stations:

- » Station 1 will be a choice of cereal, pastry, muffin, bagel, etc., at breakfast, and choices of sandwiches, wraps, and salads at lunch.
- » Station 2 will be a choice of fruit, yogurt, parfaits, etc. at breakfast, and a choice of fruit, chips, etc., at lunch.
- » Station 3 will be a choice of beverages.

Your one selection from each of the three stations will be an equivalent "meal swipe" from a meal plan. Additional items from those stations and other selections can be added, but are "extras" requiring additional payment.





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- 6. There will be some distanced seating available at:
  - » The DC patio
  - » A tent on the DC Lawn
  - » A tent in the grove below the DC
  - » A few tents on the Kerrwood Lawn

Due to social distancing, do not move any of these seats to a different location! This seating will be thoroughly cleaned after every meal period, and you will also be provided with wipes in your meal kit.

- 7. By order of the County of Santa Barbara, you will not be able to bring *any* type of food or beverage container of your own into the DC.
- 8. Every day except holidays and a few rare exceptions, the meal plan will be divided as follows:

| 7:00 am - 9:00 am   | Hot Breakfast in the DC all 7 days and 123-To-Go at Alumni Gallery   |
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| 9:00 am - 10:30 am  | Breakfast Grill in the DC all 7 days and 123-To-Go at Alumni Gallery |
|                     | and Porter Theater Mon-Fri   |
| 10:30 am - 11:00 am | Closed for Transition  |
| 11:00 am - 2:00 pm  | Multiple stations in the DC all 7 days and 123-To-Go at Alumni       |
| _                   | Gallery and Porter Theater Mon-Fri                                   |
| 2:00 pm -3:30 pm    | Lunch Grill and Salads in the DC                                     |
| 3:30 pm - 4:00 pm   | Closed for Transition  |
| 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm   | Multiple stations in the DC all 7 days                               |

## You can view the complete board calendar and hours (including holiday hours) on-line here.

- 9. The Standard plan will provide 21 meal swipes per week. Each meal at either the DC or any 123-To-Go location counts as a meal swipe. After you use the 10, 15, or 21 meals on your meal plan in a weekly period, additional purchase will be required. The "counter" starts/ resets before the DC opens for breakfast on Saturday each week. If you do not wait for the cashier to confirm your balance and enter the DC, you will be charged for any meal that exceeds your plan. If you exceed your meal plan, Sodexo will first deduct your charges from any available Flex Dollars remaining on your plan, or then contact you for the expected payment. If you do not want to exceed your plan and/or Flex Dollar balance for the week, and are not sure of your available balances, the best solution would be to go the LEFT side of the DC kiosk and have the cashier confirm your balance first. The cashiers at 123-To-Go locations can also confirm your balance.
- 10. We currently anticipate Ritchie's Place to be open for the usual hours, but to-go only (no seating inside). Ritchie's Place cashiers can also confirm your Flex Dollars balance. Also, some beverage coupons issued last year that had expirations in May are still being honored, and the cashier can confirm for you if one you have is still good.





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- 11. If you wish to use Munch Money for payment at any location, it must be purchased in advance online at <a href="https://shop-westmontdining.sodexomyway.com/dining-plans">https://shop-westmontdining.sodexomyway.com/dining-plans</a>, allowing up to two business days (Mon-Fri) for the funds to be available on your food service account. Cash and checks will not be accepted at any cashier station, Munch Money cannot be purchased at any cashier station, and credit cards cannot be accepted at 123-To-Go locations. Credit cards will be accepted at the DC kiosk and at Ritchie's Place.
- 12. In the DC, the prices in 2020-21 for faculty, staff, and students not on a meal plan will be; Breakfast \$7.50 + \$2.00 surcharge = \$9.50, Lunch \$7.00 + \$2.00 surcharge = \$9.00, Dinner \$11.50 + \$2.00 surcharge = \$13.50. If we are able to resume dining in the DC at any point in the year, eliminating the need for extra packaging and convenience items involved in "to go" dining, the \$2.00 surcharge will be removed from the prices. The \$2.00 surcharge will *not* be added at 123-To-Go locations.
- 13. For the Fall Semester, meal plans will include \$70.00 Flex Dollars, which can be used at Ritchie's Place, for retail items in the Alumni Gallery 123 To-Go locations, or for any meal at any location in excess of your meal plan. If you were on any meal plan when Spring Break started in the Spring 2020 semester, an additional \$30.00 Flex Dollars will be added to your account this Fall (for \$100.00 total).
- 14. All of this information is updated and available at westmontdining.com.