

# THE WENTWORTH DINING PROGRAM

Attention Leopards! Wentworth Dining is excited to talk about our dining plan program, which includes “All-You-Care-To-Eat\_ (AYCTE).

**What does that mean?** Simply put, students will no longer be charged per item. This also means that if you are in Beatty’s dining area, you can go back during a single meal period.

**How is this going to work?** With a new dining program, comes new dining plan options. First, we have the Platinum Plan, which will give you unlimited access to Beatty Dining Commons (think of it as having a gym membership, but with food). We also have the Gold and Silver Plans which provide a pre-determined number of meal swipes that you can use to gain access to Beatty Dining Commons. With any of these plans, you just need to swipe at the entrance of Beatty Hall. Once verified, you will go in and eat whatever is being offered in that meal period. When you are full, just bus your tray before you leave. When you get hungry again, just come back and repeat the process! Each individual visit to the Beatty Dining Commons registers as one meal plan visit (one Meal Swipe).

**What about retail?** The Platinum, Gold and Silver Plans all include Dining Points that can be used in Colleges of the Fenway (COF) retail locations like Tessie’s Market and Leopard Café. We also have points-only options like Ruby and Emerald that are designed for retail-based spending.

**What’s the best plan for me?** That answer is based on both *where you will be living* and *your individual eating habits*. First-Year students living on campus can choose from the Platinum, Gold, and Silver options.

**So, where can I use my New Dining Plan?** Your Plan will be accepted at the following COF schools:

- Wentworth Institute of Technology
- MassArt
- MCPHS

**What about Commuters?** We have three Non-Residential options for Commuter Students: Huntington, Ruggles and Parker.

**When and how do I choose my meal plan?** Residential students will make their selection for a meal plan during the completion of their Fall and Spring Housing Agreement. Commuter students may select a meal plan beginning this summer on Adirondack-THD (<https://thd.wit.edu>).

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# KEY TERMS

- **All-You-Care-To-Eat (AYCTE):** The new dining concept for Beatty Dining Commons at Wentworth Institute of Technology. Students who have access to Beatty Dining Commons will be able to eat anything offered anytime the location is open.
- **Block Meals (aka, Meal Swipes):** The currency used to access Beatty Dining Commons for AYCTE. Students will pay one Meal (or an equivalent) for each visit to Beatty Dining Commons. Residential Full Plans come with a pre-set amount of Block Meals.
- **Dining Points:** The currency used mainly for access to COF Retail Locations such as Tessie's Market or Leopard Cafe, which allows students to purchase individual items. Points can also be used to access AYCTE in Beatty Dining Commons.
- **Unlimited Access:** Access to Beatty that lasts for the duration of the semester. There is no numerical limit to the number of times the student can visit Beatty Dining Commons, the only constraint is the Hours of Operation.
- **Door Price:** The price for anyone who does not use Block Meals or Unlimited Access. Students who use Dining Points as payment will be charged a lower price than cash customers.

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# DINING PLAN OPTIONS

- UNLIMITED PLAN
  - Do you have a hearty appetite? Would you like to be able to eat all semester without worrying about the cost of food? Then consider our “Platinum” option! With this plan, you will have unlimited access to our All-You-Care-To-Eat program; come in anytime it’s open and eat whatever’s being served. Students will also receive 150.00 Dining Points to use for retail locations like Leopard Cafe or Tessie’s Market.
- FULL RESIDENTIAL PLANS
  - Full Residential Plans are designed to give Residential students the full WIT dining experience! Each option includes several block meals for access to Beatty Dining Commons and an allotment of dining points for retail locations like Einstein Bagels or Tessie’s Market. We have two options to choose from: Gold and Silver. **NOTE: first-year students are required to choose a Full Residential Plan or an Unlimited Plan. The Silver Plan will be the default if no plan is selected.**
- PARTIAL RESIDENTIAL PLANS
  - Partial Residential Plans are ideal for retail-focused spending! Enjoy purchases from locations like Leopard Cafe or Tessie’s Market. Students can also use their Dining Points to pay a discounted Door Price to gain access to Beatty Dining Commons. Upper-class students will be required to select a Partial Plan but can also select a Full Plan if they desire. We have two Partial Plan options to choose from: Ruby and Emerald.
- COMMUTER/NON-RESIDENTIAL PLANS
  - Our Commuter Plans/Non-Residential Plans are set up to give Leopards on the go a taste of the WIT dining experience! Each option (Huntington, Ruggles and Parker) will give students a set number of Block Meals to use at Beatty Dining Commons along with Dining Points that can be used at retail locations like Tessie’s Market and Leopard Cafe.
- SUMMER PLANS
  - Are you a summer student looking for dining options? Wentworth offers two Plans (Summer A and Summer B) that can be used at places like Beatty Dining Commons, Leopard Cafe and Tessie’s Market. Both summer options are available to Commuter Students.

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# FAQs

## **“What if I just want one item, like a piece of fruit?”**

We recommend that you use your Dining Points for retail and small purchases at locations like Tessie’s Market or Leopard Cafe. For meals and sit-down dining, we recommend Beatty Dining Commons.

## **“Will Beatty be the only location to accept Block Meals?”**

Kitchen Collaborative and Eat>Café will also accept Meals Swipes.

## **“Can I use my declining balance points at AYCTE locations?”**

Yes, students who use their Dining Points will pay a reduced price compared to those who pay the standard Door Price.

## **“I’m dealing with food insecurity. What options are available to me?”**

Our food Service Provider (Sodexo) is connected to a program known as Swipe Out Hunger (<https://www.swipehunger.org/>). You can contact one of the Sodexo Team Members (<https://eatatcof.sodexomyway.com/contact/index>) for more information. Wentworth also provides resources that students can use (<https://wit.edu/student-life/student-support-advocacy>).

## **“Do unused block meals roll over?”**

Unused Block Meals expire at the end of each semester. Depending on your Dining Plan, averaging 11 or 14 meals per week will keep you on track.

## **“Does my meal plan expire?”**

While Block Meals expire at the end of each semester, Dining Points will carry over from Fall to Spring, and from Spring to the end of the Summer Term. Dining Points expire at the end of the summer term, and **do not** carry over from one academic year to the next.

## **“What if I want to change my plan?”**

The Center for Resident Life has the Dining Plan Change Request form on their website ([https://wentworth.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_1Lzs2bPy9DoAd3T](https://wentworth.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_1Lzs2bPy9DoAd3T)).

## **“How do I sign up for a meal plan if I am a Commuter/Non-Residential student?”**

Students living on campus will select their meal plan when they complete their housing agreement on Adirondack-THD. For commuter/non-residential students, please complete the [meal plan request form](#) on the Residential & Commuter Life self-service website.

### **“Am I required to have a meal plan?”**

All students with a residential housing assignment must select a full or partial residential meal plan. Commuter/Non-residential students may purchase a meal plan if they choose to.

### **“Are there any exemptions?”**

All residential students are required to have a meal plan per the Housing Agreement. There are very few exemptions as our dining vendor can accommodate most religious and dietary needs. Students wishing for an exemption due to a medically documented need must first provide documentation through Accessibility Services for approval.

### **“What if I lose my student ID?”**

For lost cards, students will need to visit the Student Service Center (1<sup>st</sup> floor of Williston Hall) and pay the \$25.00 replacement fee. They will receive a receipt that they will need to take to the Copy Mail Center (1<sup>st</sup> floor of Wentworth Hall) to pick up their new ID card. If they misplace their receipt, they will have to scan the QR code at the Copy Mail Center. New cards typically take up to an hour to activate; if a replaced card is not activated after the hour the student should contact the Department of Technology Services (DTS; <https://wit.edu/about/technology-services>).

### **“I am an upper-class student; what are my meal plan options?”**

All first-year residential students, and those residing in Evans Way Hall, Tudbury Hall and Baker Hall, are required to purchase either the Silver, Gold, or Platinum Plan. Residential students in other residence halls can choose from the Platinum Plan, the Gold Plan, the Silver Plan, the Ruby Plan, and the Emerald Plan.

### **“Where can I spend my declining balance points?”**

Dining Points will be accepted at the following COF locations:

- Wentworth Institute of Technology:
  - Beatty Dining Commons
  - Leopard Café
- MassArt:
  - Eat>Café
  - Kennedy Café
  - Tessie’s Market
  - Kitchen Collaborative
- MCPHS:
  - Eat>Food Market

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**“What if I run out of block meals before the semester ends?”**

Beatty Dining Commons will accept Dining Points as payment. Students who use Dining Points will be charged an amount less than the door price.

**“Can I bring a guest into the dining hall using my meal plan?”**

Guests can enter Beatty Dining Commons by paying the Door Price.