



Dear Wentworth Families,

Happy New Year and welcome to the January 2024 edition of our Family Newsletter. This newsletter features an upcoming Q&A panel with Co-Ops and Careers staff, important dates, campus resources, and information about signing up for emergency alerts.

For additional family resources and information, please visit our <u>family resources</u> <u>webpage</u>, which is periodically updated with new information and opportunities.

Co-ops and Careers Q&A Panel for Families

On **Thursday, February 8, at 6pm** Eastern Time, we will host a Q&A panel with staff from the Co-ops and Careers office. Join to learn more about the ways that students can prepare for their co-op, how you can support your student during the co-op search process, and to ask any questions you may have.

The panel will be held on Zoom. Meeting info is below and you can <u>click here to</u> <u>register</u> to receive a reminder prior to the panel.

Meeting ID: 865 4501 4512 Meeting Link: <u>https://wentworth.zoom.us/j/86545014512?</u> pwd=cUFwWXdIMThWUy9jek1vWXNCbXhnUT09

Upcoming Important Dates

January 7-8: Residence halls re-open January 9: First day of class February 21: Midterm grades posted March 2-10: Spring break - no classes April 11-17: Final exams April 20: Spring Commencement



News and Events

Housing & Residential Education: It's time to start thinking about Housing for the Fall 2024-Spring 2025 academic year! Housing Agreements are available in the myHousing portal and down-payments are due 2/15/24. The Housing Selection process will begin 2/26/24. Students can final all of the information in their Wentworth email. As a reminder, all first and second year students are required to live on campus! For more information, please contact housing at housing@wit.edu.

<u>Athletics</u>: The Men's Volleyball program starts the season ranked #3 in the country in the first AVCA Coaches Poll. Fresh of a third straight NCAA tournament appearance, the leopards are back in action with an opening match against MIT on Jan 20th. For the full schedule, please visit our schedule website <u>here</u>

Student Accounts Office:

- IRS tax 1098-T forms for calendar year January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2023 will be available online starting January 31st. Please visit our website to find directions for retrieving the forms online:
- The 1098-T provides and reports the amount of qualified tuition and related expenses (QTRE) on students' accounts during the tax / calendar year. Spring refunds will be sent out to students mid to late February. Students expecting refunds should make sure they are signed up for direct deposit!

<u>Pre- College Programs</u>: The Office of Pre-college Programs is happy to share that our application is open for Wentworth's pre-college program, ImpactLab. ImpactLab is an innovative two-week residential summer experience for rising juniors and seniors in high school. This hands-on immersive learning program will give students a chance to explore their passions in science, engineering, design, and business. For more information <u>check</u> <u>out our website</u>.

<u>Co-Ops and Careers</u>: This Spring Co-op & Career Fair is scheduled for March 12th from 1:30 – 5:30. This event is a great platform for your Wentworth student to explore Summer or Fall co-op opportunities, or for graduating seniors to connect with prospective employers for full-time positions. For more information, please visit <u>our events page</u>

<u>Student Engagement</u>: Our Student Leadership Conference is returning this semester on February 10th. This one day event provides students with the opportunity to develop and enhance their leadership skills. Wentworth Commuter Life offers programs and services for commuter students throughout the year. Students can receive updates about upcoming events by following the Instagram @witcommuterlife or joining out Leopard Spot page.

Leopard Spot: Check out Leopard Spot to see a calendar of social and educational events your student can participate in, as well a list of all of our clubs and organizations.

How to sign up for emergency alerts

To join Wentworth's emergency alert system, text "WITAlert" to 226787. You can also encourage your student to add any additional phone number or email address to their RAVE alerts account. For more information, please go to our <u>RAVE website</u>



A Note from Student Affairs Leadership

Greeting Families and Happy New Year!

I hope that you and your loved ones are having a great start to the new year! And that you were able to spend time with your student over the winter break. I am excited to be starting a new semester and for the opportunities that are before us. I wanted to share a few updates about campus happenings and a reminder about communication.

Campus Updates: We are seeing great progress on the new athletic complex, located at 600 Parker Street. We returned from the winter break to precast panels being put into place. You can see the progress yourself by accessing the job site camera. We are also working closely with the Facilities team on creating more lounge space in the Flanagan Campus Center. Over the break, the large information desk was removed and will be replaced with a smaller desk. We will be converting this into a lounge and programming space for the community.

Communication Channels: Stay connected with us through our official communication channels. Follow us on social media, check our website for updates, and encourage your students to regularly check their college email for important announcements.

Campus Events: We encourage you to stay connected to what is happening on campus by visiting <u>LeopardSpot</u>, which highlights athletic events, club programs, academic programs, and so many more opportunities for students.

Parent and Family Involvement: We value the partnership between the University and our students' families. Your involvement and support contribute significantly to the success of our students. If you have questions, suggestions, or want to get more involved, please contact Transition Programs and Family Engagement.

Thank you for your support, as you play a vital role in your student's success. We value the opportunity to work alongside you to help your students achieve their academic goals. As a reminder, if you need support for your student and are unsure where to go, please contact me. I can be reached at <u>dos@wit.edu</u>.

Wishing you the best in 2024!

Sincerely,

Dr. Jenn Kosses

Dean of Students

Our next newsletter will be sent out in March. In the meantime, please reach out to the Center for Student Life at studentlife@wit.edu or 617-989-4702 with any questions.

Sincerely, Center for Student Life

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