

# DECEMBER STUDENT NEWSLETTER

by students for students





WINTER BREAK

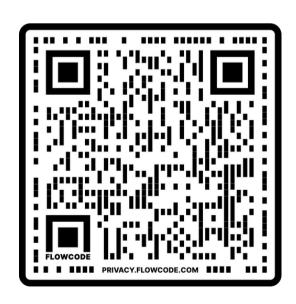


• If you are planning to leave for winter break, please refer to the end of semester packets below.

## The Arc, Dwight, and 30 East



#### **University Center**



### WINTER BREAK

- The Cafeteria and Market will be closed from December 19th - January 1st.
- The Cafeteria will operate on a consolidated menu from January 2nd -January 22nd.
- All Columbia buildings will be closed during the College's winter official break (December 24th-January 2nd).
   Building hours may vary before the start of the spring semester.
- If you are staying in the dorms over break, plan to coordinate meals on your own.

### SURVIVING WINTER IN CHICAGO

- Plan for delays
  - There may be more traffic than usual.
  - The CTA, PACE, and Metra may experience occasional delays. Plan accordingly.
- Watch out for 'black ice'- Ice you cannot easily see
  - Be mindful of snow, rain, or other severe weather advisories.
- Dress weather appropriate
  - Hats
  - Gloves
  - Coat
  - Boots

#### STAYING HEALTHY



- With winter comes sickness. Here are tips to staying healthy through the season:
  - Wash hands often
  - Stay hydrated
  - Stay home if you are feeling sick
  - Dress warm
  - Stay rested
  - Consider getting your flu shot



- Contract renewal is an opportunity for current Columbia residents to choose the specific room they want to live in for the 2023-2024 academic year. (Room, room types, and buildings are subject to availability and not guaranteed).
- Contract renewal begins February
   1st and ends March 31st.
- Contract renewal will be accessible through the housing portal.
- Housing prepayment for contract renewal is \$250.

#### IMPORTANT DATES



- Saturday, December 17th Semester Ends
- Tuesday, January 3rd January Session
   Begins
- Monday, January 23rd Spring Semester
   Begins
- Monday, January 30th Add Deadline
- Wednesday, February 1st Housing
   Applications for 23/24 Year Open
- Monday, February 6th **Drop Deadline**
- Friday, March 24th Withdrawal
   Deadline
- Friday, March 31st Contract Renewal
   Ends