

The message below is being sent on behalf of President Jo Allen, '80.

Meredith students, faculty and staff,

Meredith College continues to monitor the evolving COVID-19 pandemic. In light of new information and guidance from health officials, we are **extending Spring Break for students** by one week, through Sunday, March 22.

For students completing internships and student-teaching, follow guidance from the employer or school. For students already in online courses, look for further information from your instructor.

During the week of March 16, **Meredith will remain open**, meaning students may opt to return but no classes will meet. This extension allows faculty and technology services to work on alternative and hybrid options for classes. Administrative offices will continue normal operations. Housekeeping staff will do a deep cleaning of the campus, with a focus on surfaces in shared spaces and high traffic areas.

When classes resume on Monday, March 23, in response to this extraordinary situation, Meredith will offer alternatives to provide students and faculty with online, hybrid and other instructional options, including face-to-face instruction, until further notice.

Meredith-sponsored events (excluding athletics) are canceled through Monday, March 23. At this point, USA South has not announced any changes to athletic schedules but this may change.

For a variety of reasons, we recognize that many students will need to return to campus and the residence halls. Students will be able to return to residence halls as previously scheduled. The library will be open using Spring Break hours, and limited dining and other services will be available during the extended Spring Break.

Meredith College has taken a number of precautions in preparation for students to return from Spring Break. For more information, visit meredith.edu/coronavirus.

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we work to make the best decisions possible to ensure the continuity of a high quality educational experience for students in a safe environment for all.

Sincerely,

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President

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