



# Whitman Today

Monday, December 21, 2020

## Season's Greetings



As we say goodbye to a year like no other, we wish you and yours a healthy and hopeful holiday season.

## Announcements

### President Murray Signs America is All In Statement

President Kathy Murray has signed the [America Is All In statement](#). This is an extension of We Are Still In, which she signed as it launched in 2017. The new statement intends "to reaffirm our commitment to the Paris Agreement on climate change and pledge to partner with the Biden-Harris Administration, which has made ambitious commitments to tackle the climate crisis." The statement in full, with Whitman's name listed under "Colleges & Universities", was first publicized shortly before Dec. 12, the fifth anniversary of the Paris Agreement.

### Off-Campus House/Apartment Rentals for 2021-2022

The lottery for off-campus housing is now open! The selection process is done on a first-come, first-serve basis. Here is the [link to the application](#). Remember, you must be a current Whitman student with an academic level of junior or senior, 21+ years old, or have approval from the Residence Life office.

#### IMPORTANT RENTAL DATES:

Applications due: Friday, Jan. 15, 2021 by 4 p.m.

Notices sent out: Friday, Jan. 22

Leases signed and deposits paid by: Friday, Jan. 29

For more information visit [the off-campus rentals page of our website](#).

Additional questions may be emailed to [offcampusrentals@whitman.edu](mailto:offcampusrentals@whitman.edu).

## Noteworthy

### Schueler Featured for Volunteer Children's Advocacy Activity

Albert Schueler, professor of mathematics and statistics, was featured in the Union-Bulletin article "[Advocating for children during a pandemic](#)," authored by Ella Nelson '22. Schueler has volunteered with [Walla Walla Child Advocates](#), an advocacy program for kids who are in foster care, for seven years after learning about the organization through a fundraiser sponsored by Kappa Alpha Theta.

## Campus and Community Health



We are in this **together.**

### Whitman College Safe Start Plan

We continue to plan and prepare to welcome many students and employees to campus in the spring. The updated [Whitman College Safe Start Plan](#) provides specific details on the health and safety protocols we are implementing. Additionally, the [Spring 2021 Community Pledge](#) was sent out last week, detailing the ways we will commit to our personal health and safety, as well as the health and safety of our campus community and the broader Walla Walla Community.

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All times are listed in Pacific Daylight Time.

Submissions are welcome! If you have a professional or personal accomplishment to celebrate, an event to publicize or other content to share with the Whitman community, email [whitmantoday@whitman.edu](mailto:whitmantoday@whitman.edu). Submissions should be 125 words or less. The deadline for submissions is noon for the following day's newsletter, though submissions may be held for a later date according to space and editorial needs.



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