

From: Rider University <[admissions@rider.edu](mailto:admissions@rider.edu)>  
Date: Wed, Mar 29, 2017 at 1:30 PM  
Subject: Rider U: Westminster Choir College Decision  
To: XXXXXXXX

Dear XXXXXXX,

We are pleased that you have been accepted to Westminster Choir College beginning in the fall 2017, and hope that you will decide to enroll. As you are making your final decision about your college choice for next fall, you should consider some important new information concerning the future of Westminster Choir College.

*The Rider University Board of Trustees has determined that after the 2017-2018 academic year, it will no longer be feasible to maintain a separate campus in Princeton to house Westminster Choir College and its programs. The University will honor all of its offers of admission to Westminster Choir College applicants, and will continue to offer academic programs, housing and other student services to both new and continuing students on the Princeton campus at least through the 2017-2018 academic year. At the same time, Rider will be actively exploring two options for the future of Westminster Choir College and its programs, all of which will provide you with the opportunity to graduate within your scheduled time frame.*

*First, Rider is seeking to find another college or university to affiliate with and merge with Westminster Choir College so that the investments needed to maintain the campus as a stand-alone school in Princeton can be made and the programs, scholarship and facilities can continue to be maintained at a high level of quality. While these efforts are on-going, the chances of an affiliation or merger that continues Westminster Choir College in Princeton are uncertain.*

*Because of this uncertainty, Rider also is exploring affiliating the Westminster Choir College programs with another college or university after the 2017-2018 academic year is complete as part of a plan that would result in relocating the faculty, students, and the name of Westminster Choir College to the campus of another college or university.*

*In the unlikely March 29, 2017 event it is not feasible to merge Westminster Choir College with another college or university so as to continue Westminster Choir College on the Princeton campus and it is not feasible to find another college or university to relocate the Westminster Choir College name and programs to its own campus, then, beginning in fall 2018, Rider will offer the Westminster Choir College coursework on the Lawrenceville campus.*

This is a challenging message for us to deliver for many reasons, including that it leaves many questions still to be answered. We ask for your patience and

understanding as we work through the process. We are committed to giving you as much information as we can, as soon as we can, so that you can make the decisions that best shape your future plans. For more information on yesterday's announcement including answers to some questions, please visit [www.rider.edu/thepathforward](http://www.rider.edu/thepathforward). We will be posting regular updates on our progress to this site in the coming weeks and months. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call or email me at [wccadmissions@rider.edu](mailto:wccadmissions@rider.edu) or 1-800-96CHOIR (24647).

Sincerely,

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