

## IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING CULINARY INSTITUTE LENOTRE CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP

Date: December 15, 2025

Dear Current and Prospective Students,

Culinary Institute Lenotre (CIL) and its primary business owner, Culinary Institute, Inc., are excited to provide an important update regarding the institute's planned change in ownership.

After 27 years of owning the Culinary Institute Lenotre, Alain and Marie Lenotre have decided to retire. We sincerely wish them the best and pray that they continue to be blessed with good health and happiness.

We are pleased to announce that I and Mr. Keith Beitler will be acquiring full ownership control of CIL in a transaction that is expected to be finalized on or after April 1, 2026. This timeline is, of course, contingent upon completing the necessary approval processes with the institute's regulatory agencies, including the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, the Texas Workforce Commission, the Accrediting Commission of Career Schools and Colleges, and the United States Department of Education.

As your College Director and Chief Executive Officer, I would like to convey that the CIL leadership, staff, and faculty are committed to continuing to support and provide you with the education needed to achieve your academic goals during this transition and thereafter. I, along with my staff and faculty, will remain in our current positions and continue our mission and focus on supporting you to yield successful educational outcomes. No changes to educational programs, curriculum, or degree requirements will occur as a direct result of this ownership change.

We are committed to a smooth transition and to maintaining CIL's mission and leadership, which will yield a smooth transition and sustain our focus on growth and prosperity for our institute. We will be providing updates if any significant changes occur.



Please feel free to reach out to any of our directors or to me with any questions or concerns you may have. Our contact information is as follows:

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