

Neighbors Bulletin



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Community Updates

COLUMBIA REOPENING UPDATE FOR OUR NEIGHBORS

As Columbia's campus reopens to some undergraduate and graduate students in September, the University has put measures in place to ensure safety for everyone on campus as well as for our surrounding community. With undergraduate classes moving online, the population of students on campus will be dramatically reduced, but all students, faculty, and staff who do return will be required to comply with New York State's mandated 14-day quarantine, as well as completing a daily symptom self-check to enter campus buildings.

No large events or gatherings are planned on campus for the fall. Columbia will continue to comply with New York State regulations on the size of any in-person gatherings. Community members who access College Walk and other outdoor areas of campus are expected to comply with New York State and University guidelines on mask-wearing and physical distancing, which are posted on signs at campus entrances. Columbia will partner with the NYC Test and Trace Corps to ensure that appropriate contact tracing occurs if a community member is potentially exposed.

Get answers to frequently asked questions about Columbia's reopening at neighbors.columbia.edu/campusreopens.

DEADLINES FOR THE 2020 GENERAL ELECTION



The 2020 general election will be held on November 3. Here are some important deadlines leading up to it:

October 9: The final day for in-person voter registration for the November 3 election. By-mail voter registrations also must be postmarked by this day.

October 27: The final day to request an absentee ballot online, by mail, by email, or by fax. Absentee ballots can be submitted by mail, at the Board of Elections, or dropped off at poll sites.

October 24 to November 1 are the dates of Early Voting in New York. Early voting sites may not be the same sites that will be open on Election Day. Hours and site information are available from vote.nyc.gov.

Community Events

Check with event organizers for latest updates as details may change. More details can be found at neighbors.columbia.edu/events



Columbia Harlem SBDC: Small Business Finance 102
Sept 10, 10AM

In this free workshop, participants will learn about loans, creating a financing structure, and personal and business credit.
neighbors.columbia.edu/smallbiz102



COVID-19 and College Admissions Info Session
Sept 15, 5PM

The NY Public Library & Princeton Review offer advice on handling the SAT, ACT, & AP exams as well as steps for a smooth college transition.
neighbors.columbia.edu/nypcollege



Emma L. Bowen Center Community Health Fair
Sept 18 11AM

The fair will include health screenings, information, referrals, and presentations on COVID-19 from partners Lighthouse Guild and AbbVie.
neighbors.columbia.edu/healthfair



Sea Level Change: A SciArt Concert and Lecture
Sept 23, 4PM

This concert and lecture showcases a music video and lecture that help develop an understanding of sea level and coastal change.
neighbors.columbia.edu/seachange



2020 Census Completion Deadline
Sept 30

Responding to the 2020 Census will help shape the future.

Responses can be submitted online, by phone, or by mail.
neighbors.columbia.edu/2020census



New York Voter Registration Deadline
Oct 9

For this year's general election on Nov 3, voter registration applications must be submitted online/in-person or postmarked by October 9.
neighbors.columbia.edu/voterreg