



Manhattanville in West Harlem Campus Plan

Construction Activities for the Next Two Weeks

Columbia's long-term plan for the old Manhattanville manufacturing area will revitalize the four former industrial blocks from 125th/129th to 133rd Street between Broadway and 12th Avenue, and three small blocks along the east side of Broadway from 131st to 134th Street, into an environmentally sustainable and publicly accessible center for academic and civic life woven into the fabric of the West Harlem community.

Construction Activities for the Weeks of August 28, 2023, and September 4, 2023

600 W. 125th Street

Current Phase of Construction: Curtainwall and Interior Fit-Out

- Noisy work should be expected during most days during this phase of construction.
- The curtainwall contractor will install exterior walls from inside the new building using small lifts and cranes as well as exterior scaffolding.
- This phase is anticipated to be complete in Spring 2024.

What is Happening During the Next Two Weeks:

- Con Edison is performing intermittent work in vaults located within the sidewalk on W. 125th Street in front of the project site between the hours of 9:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. Noise blankets are in place on the interior and outside of the construction fence to help mitigate noise.
- Overnight utility street work to install sewer connections for Con Edison power service will be performed between the hours of 11:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m., pending the approval of permits. This work involves saw cutting and breaking up the street by using jackhammers, road saw, and backhoe. A dump truck will be used to remove material.
- Utilities and fire department standpipe are being installed throughout the building.
- Elevator equipment and rail installation is in progress.
- Concrete trucks and pumps will be used to pour curbs, parapets, etc.
- The building enclosure contractor is completing deliveries and installing exterior panels.
- Layout and installation of interior walls by masons and carpenter.
- Regular work hours temporarily extended until 8:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Site 6 (Open Lot on Broadway between 130th and 131st Streets)

What is Happening

- An exploratory geotechnical survey will commence the week of August 28 at the open lot on Broadway between 130th and 131st Streets.
- Mobilization will begin early in the week with the delivery and setup of equipment. Sound testing is anticipated to be performed in the late morning of August 29.
- Drilling operations will begin midweek and include the installation of cement casings and curing of cement.
- Drilling will continue the week of September 5 with loop installation and grouting.
- Noise mitigation blankets will be installed around the work area as an extra precaution.

Studebaker Building Façade Repairs and Roof Replacement

What is Happening

- Terra cotta repair (pinning of existing terra cotta), lintel replacement, and miscellaneous masonry repairs will continue at the north and south elevations ground level. Expect intermittent drilling and dust.
- Installation of the flashing and pavers will continue for about 3 weeks. Roof work is mostly quiet but prepping the dunnage for flashing will create some scraping noise. Any noises from the roof may be noticeable only on the 6th floor.
- Terra cotta installation will continue at the elevator tower. Noise and dust from this area will not be noticeable to the occupants.

-Please note that all activities are subject to change based on weather and other field conditions-

What to Expect

- Regular working hours are 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday to Friday, with after-hours work occurring until 8:00 p.m. Some work may also be performed on weekends from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and after hours in accordance with all necessary permits. After-hours permit approved for 6:30 a.m. operation of the hoist to transport workers to floors where work is being performed. This permit is required as a safety precaution to reduce overcrowding as well as to help mitigate noise at the loading dock.
- Work hours for overnight utility street work are 9:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. Monday through Friday, with possible work hours on Saturday and Sunday in accordance with all necessary permits by the NYC Department of Transportation. Noise blankets are in place on the interior and outside of the construction fence to help mitigate noise.
- Note that the contractor will begin daily set-up preparations 30 to 60 minutes before work commences and will perform site clean-up 30 to 60 minutes after work is completed.
- Although contractors carefully stage construction activities to minimize disruption to the surrounding community, the nature of construction work is such that some disruptions will occur. Expect some noise, vibration, dust, and other related impacts due to construction. Visit neighbors.columbia.edu/600w125thstreet#cu_accordion_item-4958 to learn about our comprehensive clean construction program and mitigation protocols.
- The parking lane will be closed on the south side of W. 125th Street from Broadway to St. Clair Place. Parking will not be available on the south side of W. 125th Street from Broadway to the mid-block in front of the entire length of the 600 W. 125th Street construction fence.
- Refer to street signage for the west side of Broadway from 129th to 130th Streets — parking is allowed from 7:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m., and on weekends.

Need More Information?

For project updates and information, please visit neighbors.columbia.edu. For questions or concerns, e-mail projx@columbia.edu or call our Services Center at 212-854-2222, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

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