

Campus Operations Notice

April 19, 2019

17 Lex Renovation and Elevator Updates

Dear 17 Lex Occupants,

I wanted to provide an update on the progress of the Phase 1A construction of the historic Lawrence and Eris Field Building at 17 Lexington Avenue (17 Lex). Although much progress has been made and some of the more difficult phases are over, we recognize that challenges continue for those who study, teach, and work in the Lawrence and Eris Field Building.

Elevator Construction Status

As part of Phase 1A construction, the six main elevators in the 17 Lex lobby have been scheduled for renovations. Below is an update on their status.

Cab	Status	Notes
1	Awaiting renovation	Operational
2	Renovated	Operational
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4	Renovated	Operational
5	Offline, under construction	Estimated return to operation: July 2019
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Recently, we experienced service issues with two renovated elevators. LiRo, the construction manager for the project, requested a detailed assessment by the elevator control manufacturer and the elevator maintenance company. Based on their recommendations, LiRo has implemented a preventative maintenance plan involving twice weekly sensor cleaning that will assure reliable service.

Spring Break Elevator Access

During spring break (April 19 – 26), construction will occur on the ground floor elevator lobby ceilings. It will be necessary to close half the elevator lobby to maintain elevator access. Two elevators will remain active during spring break, including one to the 16th floor.

Other Renovation Updates

Construction in the corridors is nearly complete, except for a few areas that will be finished over spring break. Work continues in the basement and lobby.

The installation of a temporary chiller on 23rd Street will provide air conditioning to Mason Hall and the lecture rooms on the 4th and 5th floors—spaces not serviced by window units. Meanwhile, Building and Grounds are checking all window units to ensure they are properly functioning.

As part of this project, a new electrical vault was installed on 23rd Street to provide additional electrical power into the building. Con Edison has begun the work for the installation, including creating connections with the building.

I will continue to send updates as work progresses and is completed. Thank you for your continued patience and understanding as we endeavor to modernize 17 Lex, the historic home of Baruch College.

Sincerely,

Lisa Edwards
Assistant Vice President
Campus Facilities

You are receiving this email as a student, faculty member, or staff person who studies, teaches, or works in the Lawrence and Eris Field Building at 17 Lexington Avenue (17 Lex).

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