

Campus Operations Notice

May 18, 2020

Building Excitement: Campus Facilities Update for May 2020

Dear Students, Faculty, and Staff,

While many of us are sheltered in place in response to Governor Cuomo's PAUSE order and to do our part to slow the spread of COVID-19, Baruch's Office of Campus Operations has continued to service and maintain the College's buildings. Our dedicated custodians and engineers have provided daily essential services as well as a thorough cleaning and sanitizing of all of our building spaces. The entire team also continues to partner with other CUNY colleges, as we gather information to prepare a plan to reopen the campus in a safe and systematic manner.

Capital Projects Gather Momentum

When the community eventually returns to campus, you will see the progress we have made on many projects, progress you may not have noticed as dramatically on a day-to-day basis. I am happy to share this encouraging news.

Three Iconic Baruch Spaces: Progress Reports

Renovation of the Lawrence and Eris Field Building at 17 Lexington Avenue

As the construction team returned, the renovation of the Field Building regained momentum. Phase 1A is on track, offering a positive outlook for having a beautiful, ADA-compliant entryway to greet students, faculty, staff, and guests. *Shown here: Architect's rendering of the lobby.*



The following has been installed:

- New granite benches alongside the glass wall
- New marble walls around the elevators
- Terrazzo floor at the elevator lobby
- Terrazzo floor in the main lobby, poured and will soon receive a final grind and polish
- New ceiling in the elevator lobby, as well as temporary lighting

In progress:

- Front entrance lobby, separated by a new glass wall from the elevator lobby, to be unveiled.
- Elevators cabs 2, 4, 5, and 6 are operating; work is continuing on cabs 1 and 3.
- Coordination of the roof installation will resume.
- Communication and coordination have resumed with Con Ed in efforts to bring the new electric service online.

Access the following link to review past messages, project plans, photos, and architectural renderings for the [17 Lex Update](#).

Please note: The entire 17 Lex construction area has been cleaned and disinfected, and construction workers are following all health and safety protocols.

Clivner=Field Plaza: Construction Continues

As the College transitioned to distance learning and, for many, remote work environments, construction efforts never ceased at the College's Clivner=Field Plaza on 25th Street. *Shown here: Artistic rendering of the future plaza.*

Here are some updates:

- The contractor completed surface restoration at the west end of the plaza, replacing sidewalk and a curb extension at Lexington Avenue and 25th Street.
- The curb extension at Third Avenue and 25th Street has begun.
- The contractor continues to excavate and install the balance of sidewalks and seat walls and install traffic and light poles and planters.
- Con Ed continues to provide support with ongoing utility work at the intersection of Third Avenue and 25th Street.

Visit the [Clivner=Field Plaza page](#) for more updates and photos of the progress.

Please note: The plaza contractor is working with extreme caution, ensuring that all work activity is protected and employees are following all health and safety protocols.

The Allen G. and Mary E. Aaronson Student Center: On Schedule

Construction, finishes, and furniture for the College's long-awaited student center are approximately 99 percent complete. We expect to finalize the remaining work and be issued a Certificate of Occupancy once the Department of Buildings resumes operations. Located on the lower level of the historic Madison Square Post Office, diagonally across from the 24th Street entrance to the William and Anita Newman Vertical Campus (NVC), the beautifully appointed, modern space will offer students a place to study, collaborate, or just hang out in between classes. *Shown here: Architect's rendering of the front desk.*

Stay tuned for more updates in the months to come!

Special Recognition and Thanks

On behalf of the entire College community, I want to personally thank each and every staff member who has been required to physically come to Baruch to provide the



essential services needed to operate the campus and support each onsite business function.

Please stay safe and be well.

Sincerely,

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