## ISSUE#6

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## **THIS ISSUE**

Fall '20 Guidelines Recap and Your Questions, Answered

## UPCOMING EVENTS

## **TUESDAY, AUGUST 18**

6:00pm: Black August: What Resistance and Survival Look Like for the Black Community with Rebecca Mattis-Pinard

Register here for Zoom link

### **MONDAY, AUGUST 24**

11:00am: MMC's Virtual Student Orientation & Welcome Week

Register <u>here</u>! More details on the <u>MMC Engage app</u>

## WHAT'S NEW IN THE CITY...

MUSEUMS & OTHER
CULTURAL INSTITUTIONS
TO BEGIN REOPENING
AUGUST 24

If you've missed popping into the MoMA, we've got good news! Gov. Cuomo recently announced museums and cultural attractions may open in the coming weeks at reduced capacity. Check museum websites for ticketing info + new safety measures in advance.

## FALL SEMESTER 2020,

Here We Come!

In <u>Issue #5</u>, we got you up to speed on the College's <u>Fall Restart Plan</u>, featuring our <u>Virtual Classes/Open Campus</u> model.

Now it's time to dive into MMC's <u>Fall 2020 Guidelines</u>, which were published and sent to the community on Friday, August 14.

We realize there is a lot of information to process and the Fall 2020 semester is just a couple of weeks away (hooray!). In this issue, we aim to answer any questions on your mind and provide useful resources for navigating our "new normal."

We are thrilled to kick off a new academic year with all of you and have full confidence that together we will uphold <u>our Pledge</u> for a safe and healthy MMC.



## **FALL 2020 GUIDELINES**

Here's a quick recap.

## MASKS REQUIRED + PHYSICAL DISTANCING

- Everyone entering an MMC facility is required to wear a mask that fully and securely covers the nose, mouth, and chin. See the <u>CDC recommendations</u> on face mask design and usage.
- All members of the MMC community are expected to maintain physical distancing of at least six feet with anyone who does not reside in the same residence, whenever possible.

## **TESTING AND TEMPERATURE CHECKS**

- Main Campus: All students, faculty, staff, and visitors will be required to go through a temperature checking process upon entering.
- Housing: Additional details are forthcoming.
- Reminder: The Health Screening (via MMC Engage) is required to enter Main Campus each time!

## ADDITIONAL CAMPUS SAFETY MEASURES

- Signage has been installed to promote physical distancing and signal required public health practices.
- Hand sanitizing stations are located in many areas across campus.
- Protective barriers can be found in high-traffic areas.
- Modified traffic patterns have been installed.
- Heightened cleaning standards have been implemented including EPA-approved solvents for COVID-19 cleaning.
- A strategy is in place for emergency cleaning/disinfection of facilities after any confirmed COVID-19 case within MMC buildings.
- Cleaning supplies/disinfecting wipe dispensers are accessible in shared spaces.
- All spaces and elevators have posted limits on occupancy that must be observed.

## **RESERVATION SYSTEM**

Classrooms, study spaces, and meeting spaces across campus will utilize a new reservation system via Astra Scheduler to maintain safe density levels. A full list of spaces available on campus, as well as instructions on reserving, is forthcoming.

## AS A REMINDER...

MMC's robust health and safety plan is based on guidance from NYS, the CDC, and State and City Health Departments to address the risks of COVID-19.

Please remember that in order to access campus you must first:

- Complete the Daily Health Screening questionnaire.
  - This includes students, faculty, staff, and visitors EACH day they plan to enter Main Campus.
- Wear a face covering—remember, it's required on campus.
- Maintain six feet of social distance from others whenever possible.

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## EMAIL SAFETY@MMM.EDU IMMEDIATELY IF YOU:

- Answered "YES" to any screening questions
- Test positive for COVID-19
- Become ill w/ COVID-like symptoms
- Have come in close contact w/ someone who test positive for COVID-19

#### DOWNLOAD THE APP

Search "MMC Engage" in your <u>app store</u> and click download. Once installed, open the app and sign in with your MMC email and password.

## **CLICK HERE**

for the latest on MMC's Fall 2020 Health and Safety guidelines

## **REACHING OUT**

Students, faculty, and staff are all working and learning remotely from many different corners of the globe. But no matter how far you are from East 71st Street, we're still here for you!

Office Hours are 9-5 pm EST

#### **ADVISEMENT**

Changes to fall schedules, advising

212-517-0568 advisement@mmm.edu

#### CAREER SERVICES

Support on resumes, internships, or the job search

212-517-0599 careerservices@mmm.edu

## CENTER FOR ACADEMIC SUPPORT AND TUTORING (CAST)

Remote tutoring options

cast@mmm.edu
Make an appointment:
https://mmm.mywconline.com

## CENTER FOR STUDENT SERVICES

Questions on financial aid, scholarships, payments, etc.:

212-517-0500

CSS@mmm.edu

FinancialAid@mmm.edu

StudentAccounts@mmm.edu

## COUNSELING & WELLNESS CENTER

Counseling and mental health resources and support

Counseling@mmm.edu

#### IT HELP DESK

Assistance with technology or email issues

212-517-0580

usersupport@mmm.edu

## YOUR QUESTIONS, ANSWERED

We're in this together.

## CAN I MOVE IN TO THE RESIDENCE HALL BEFORE MY SCHEDULED APPOINTMENT TIME?

No, and we cannot offer any flexibility on this. Please adhere to your specified move-in schedule. We thank you in advance for understanding!

## CAN I SEND PACKAGES BEFORE MY MOVE-IN DAY?

We ask that you are present to pick up your packages when they arrive, as the mailroom is not large enough to accommodate all student packages before move-in.

## CAN I HAVE A FRIEND STAY OVER IN MY ROOM?

Unfortunately, guests are prohibited in the Residence Halls for the Fall 2020 semester to minimize the possible risk of COVID-19 exposure to our community.

## CAN I USE THE OTHER FURNITURE IN MY BEDROOM?

Yes! All rooms will remain single occupancy, therefore you can use all the furniture for the Fall 2020 semester.

## HAS MY SUITE/ROOM BEEN SANITIZED?

Absolutely! All suites have been thoroughly cleaned prior to your move-in (and unoccupied for four months). Our continued cleaning procedures are under the direction of New York State's COVID-19 sanitary regulations.

## CAN I GET FOOD DELIVERED?

Of course! For those in quarantine, your food will be delivered to your door by Security. Quarantined students may also place an order for delivery from the C-Store via this form.

For those not in quarantine, you are expected to meet the delivery person downstairs or visit the C-Store in person. Contactless delivery will be left at the front desk.

For Cooper Square residents: the C-Store will make limited weekly deliveries for quarantined students only. Submit your order <u>here</u>.

## **HOW DO I USE MY DINING DOLLARS?**

If you want to place an order at one of our off-campus locations using Dining Dollars, all you have to do is call the restaurant, identify yourself as an MMC student, and provide your student ID number. The restaurant will request additional information, including your address, room number, and telephone number. Students in quarantine will have their order delivered to their door, while non-quarantined students are expected to sign for and pick up their order in the lobby.

Don't forget, you can now use Dining Dollars at our <u>Griffin Gear store</u> and to purchase vouchers for books, too!

READ THE FALL 2020 QUARANTINE AND ISOLATION PROTOCOLS HERE>>>

## MORE QUESTIONS, ANSWERED

We've got your back.

## WHAT IF I ARRIVE TO CAMPUS WITHOUT A FACE MASK?

We've got you covered! The College will maintain a supply of disposable face masks at every security desk in our facilities for individuals arriving without a mask. On top of that, the College will provide a branded, reusable mask to all students, faculty, and staff.

## DO I HAVE TO WEAR MY MASK EVERYWHERE?

Students, faculty, staff, and visitors are required to wear face coverings in common areas or situations where social distancing may be difficult to maintain, such as riding in elevators, entering/exiting classrooms, and in stairwells. For students who are quarantining within residence halls, to the extent possible, face coverings should be worn when in any shared space, even within your suite.

## WILL MY PROFESSORS BE ON CAMPUS?

Not necessarily. The College's <u>Virtual Class/Open Campus</u> model allows many faculty and staff to continue working remotely. Staffing levels have been reduced on the Main Campus via flexible scheduling, continued telework options, alternating schedules to reduce office density, and phased return of staff to campus.

## WHAT IF I GET COVID, OR I'VE BEEN AROUND SOMEONE WHO HAS IT?

We hope this doesn't happen to you or anyone you know, but should you fall ill, please immediately notify safety@mmm.edu. MMC has an Isolation Protocol in place in accordance with the CDC. Isolation space has been identified within both residence halls for isolation of resident students. More details on Quarantine and Isolation Protocals can be found here.

## WHERE CAN I FIND ADDITIONAL FAOS?

So glad you asked! We have an entire webpage dedicated to FAQs—simply <u>click</u> <u>here</u>. If you still have questions, we are always available to help. Email us at restart@mmm.edu and an MMC employee will respond within 48 hours.



## QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR FALL SCHEDULE?

#### TALK TO AN ACADEMIC ADVISOR

Reach out to the Office of Academic Advisement anytime at <a href="mailto:advisement@mmm.edu">advisement@mmm.edu</a> to discuss possible changes to your fall schedule.

Continuing students can also make changes throughout the summer via MMC Connect.

## FALL PROGRAM CHANGE PERIOD

### FIRST WEEK OF THE SEMESTER

A virtual Program Change Period will be available to all students during the first week of the fall semester. Students will receive more information about this prior to the start of the semester.

## FROM THE 'GRAM



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