THE CONNECTOR

Our weekly update to North Country Community College students

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Surveillance Testing for any On-Campus Students to Begin

As we have all learned, the coronavirus is unpredictable and can spread quickly. After several examples of COVID-19 outbreaks on college campuses, the State University of New York (SUNY), which we are a part of, moved to **require regular surveillance testing** for all students who will be on college campuses this semester.

Over the last week, we have been developing those plans and they are currently under review. As the overwhelming majority of our classes are being delivered online, this requirement will only affect students with in-person classes and those desiring to access academic supports (e.g. Learning Assistance Center, Library, internet) and administrative supports (e.g. Bursar's Office, Financial Aid).

Our reopening plan initially called for students to be able to access, by appointment only, oncampus academic and administrative support services beginning Monday, September 14th.

However, we are postponing that start date until Monday, September 21st to give ourselves time to work out the details related to surveillance testing.

Look for more details about testing and the protocols to be distributed to our campus community early next week. In the meantime, any students who planned to visit campus for academic supports like the LACs will have to do so remotely.

How to Register to Vote in the 2020 Election



The college has compiled anything and everything students need to know about voter registration procedures and forms on our <u>Voter Registration page</u>. Check it out today!

The General Election is Nov. 3. The deadline to register to vote is Oct. 9. The deadline to request an absentee ballot is Nov. 2.

Why should you vote? Many issues that students care about, such as education, economic policies, social policies and environmental issues are directly impacted by elected officials. Politicians know who votes each election, and they are more likely to support initiatives that are popular among groups with the highest voter turnout. You have a part to play in that. Help shape our democracy!

For more info on voter registration, contact <u>Angela Brice</u> (Saranac Lake), <u>Bruce Kelly</u> (Malone) and <u>Kim Irland</u> (Ticonderoga).

Virtual Student Events: Sept. 11-17



Looking for a break from your studies? Check out our <u>Virtual Student Engagement</u> events!

Learn about our Fall Into Fitness Wellness Challenge, which starts Sept. 21, take part in Tuesday Trivia Night, Thursday Night Bingo, or sign up to get an NCCC Spirit Box full of snacks, NCCC gear and study break items.

This week's bulletin also includes details on how you can join Student Government or apply to become the Student Trustee on the college Board of Trustees.

For more updates or details, text NCCC to 76626 or visit the <u>Virtual Student Engagement</u> page on our website.

COMING SOON: SUNY will host a Virtual College Fair for Transfer Students on Wednesday, Sept. 30 from 3 to 5 p.m. Tune in and chat with campus reps from nearly every SUNY four-year college. Register today.



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