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WHAT IS A COMMUNITY FACE MASK?

It is a non-medical-grade face mask required for people to wear in public.

The wearing of community face masks is only effective if utilized along with proper hand hygiene and physical distancing.

Stop the spread. Mask up.



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STUDENT SUCCESS STORY

Patrice Harris - Medical e-Records, Spring 2020 graduate

I had to go to the Department of Labor to collect my unemployment. Upon leaving, a person that works there asked me if I had heard of BEOC. I said no, and was given the information, then I applied online. In January I completed my testing but found out later that I did not do well, but they were willing to take a chance on me.

I started at BEOC in February 2019. I struggled in math but Dr. Javaid had the patience of a saint. I actually refused to take a test because I thought I knew the outcome. Then the light when on and I began to understand and during the Easter break I took a packet home and the rest is history. I made friends who became my study buddies. If one person was down someone was there to cheer them along and assist them if they were struggling. I passed my first semester - even math.

When I came back for the fall semester I was eager. All the professors were great, and they pushed me and provided me with information to go further in my learning. In October I started a class at Kingsborough Community College. I also started my job search but was unsuccessful. BEOC career counselors helped me with my resume - and finally, to my surprise, Winston Staffing hired me. I started January 2020 and worked through COVID-19 crisis. I left out one important fact - I am a senior citizen, proving it is never too late to learn. I have 4 National Healthcareer Association certifications and I love my job.

On June 18, 2020 I graduated from BEOC with honors. Thank you BEOC!



PROTECT YOURSELF THIS WINTER

Wearing a community face mask can prevent the spread of viruses because you and anyone can be a carrier.

It keeps you out of trouble too because wearing of face masks is now mandatory.

As we enter into the winter months, our need to protect ourselves from the Coronavirus is even more critical.

As socialization moves indoors due to colder temperatures, experts are very concerned about the risks of indoor gatherings, but offer several measures that could make it safer: stay at least six feet apart, wear a mask, wipe down frequently touched surfaces, meet in a building with sufficient filters in its ventilation system, use a portable air purifier and a humidifier, and stay clear of crowded rooms.

If all of that sounds onerous, it's because spending time indoors with people you don't live with is really risky—and better avoided if you can help it.

- Joe Pinsker, The Atlantic - August 2020

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Your future starts now!

Welcome to the Fall semester. The Advisement Center is here to assist you. Here is a checklist of how to prepare for the start of the semester:

___Make sure you have access to a reliable device with internet service

___Check your Schoology calendar and email regularly for important school updates

___If you are on HRA and need a verification letter, please email BEOCRecords@beoc.cuny.edu

___Review your class syllabi for homework, exams and attendance information

___Get to know your classmates, instructors, and advisors

___Participate in workshops

___Be organized and prepared for class (study daily at least 30 minutes, per class)

___Be an active learner and enjoy the journey!

BEOC staff is here to assist with helping you achieve your academic and career goals.

ORIENTATION CHECKLIST



PREPARE NOW FOR SUCCESS!



A WORD FROM OUR PARTNER...

"We look forward to this continued partnership..."

- Written by Olivia Arias
Director of Career Compass, NADAP

So many wonderful things can be said about a collaborative partnership with an organization dedicated to education and training. The Brooklyn Educational Opportunity Center (BEOC) has been a constructive and collaborative partner with NADAP Career Compass for several years running. It has been a pleasure working closely with BEOC, and uniquely tailoring some of their services to meet the needs and professional goals of the clients we refer.

BEOC holds a record of an exemplary partnership, extending to NADAP information sessions for our clients on site, providing schedules about upcoming trainings, reading materials and timely updates when new trainings arise. BEOC has extended to our clients dedicated classes in Security Training, OSHA Construction and other certifications that offer great potential and room for our clients to transition to gainful employment.

From making time to meet with us to determine eligibility, to ensuring the process of enrollment goes smoothly, the BEOC team remains in daily contact providing information on updates, changes and challenges to ensure a smooth process for our team and clients.

BEOC continues to be a vital and viable partner. We continue to work together, planning how to reach our clients remotely through Zoom info sessions to promote trainings and certifications that will be offered remotely through BEOC. This is the spirit and the attitude of an organization dedicated to providing services under all and every circumstance. We look forward to this continued partnership and are proud to be a partner of BEOC; reflecting the dedication, flexibility and the very word in their name: Opportunity.

What is College Connections Initiative?

The College Connection Initiative (CCI) is a statewide project of the SUNY University Center for Academic Workforce Development (UCAWD).

BEOC CCI provides information to students on preparing for college, choosing a college major, applying to college and financial aid, and college advisement.

We try to help participants develop an interest in college through virtual tours, information sessions and open houses at local colleges. We also offer workshops and one-on-one advisement to all students and the community. Our goal is to provide a pathway to a post-secondary education.

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