



Good afternoon CWNY family,

On week two of the “Work from Home” mandate we are all hanging in there and hope you are as well. This week DOE schools began teaching remotely and while some students were able to participate with enthusiasm, others without devices or internet access could not. Our staff began to assess the shortage of devices amongst our 30+ high schools this week and have determined the need for over 700 Chromebooks and 1100 hotspots. While DOE has been working nonstop to fill these gaps throughout the system we are working alongside them to help as best we can. Thank you for your partnership, your support, and your continued enthusiasm for our collective apprenticeship initiative! Despite this time of social distancing our spirit and commitment will close the gaps while we await the eventual emergence of a new normal.

Fall 2019 Cohort 1 Update

Schools went live this week with online learning for all NYC public school students. Teachers, do you need help with curriculum or teaching online? Check out our resources below.

At this time we do not have any information from the DOE regarding when apprentices will be allowed to resume their apprenticeships. Please stay tuned; as soon as we hear we will let both apprentices and employers know. In the meantime, we are hearing from both our apprentices and our employers that they look forward to resuming the apprenticeships ASAP and we hear you! We're actively asking the DOE for guidance every week.

Fall 2020 Cohort 2 Update

- Students continue to put their profiles onto the Hiring Hub and employers continue to move forward on their recruiting, albeit at a slower pace.
- We currently stand at 266 students approved to apply to apprenticeships; of those, 193 students have collectively submitted 621 applications.
- Twenty offers have been made (up from 2 last week!) from 3 employers, and 12 offers have been accepted! This continued forward movement has given all of us a reason to be optimistic and joyful (especially the new apprentices!) in this uncertain time.
- While some companies are still holding off on scheduling their interviews, there are signs that they are getting back on track after a tumultuous last week.

HERE to HERE Business Council Update



The Business Council is assessing the needs of our 30+ network schools to determine whether Council companies can help with critical technology gaps. As of the time of the writing of this update, a combination of cash donations and equipment are being sourced through our amazing corporate partners. We will have a fuller update in the very near future. In the meantime, our Cohort 2 employers are continuing to impress everyone with their level of commitment and persistence, pushing through uncertainty by giving our prospective apprentices reason to be hopeful and to celebrate. The employers are leading the way and doing their part in helping the education system envision a long term partnership that leads to lasting positive change. Thank you all!

Resources

1. **CWNY Website Page on COVID 19:** We have added a new landing page to the [CareerWise New York website](#) where these updates will be added every week. Other information has also been added including special messages and FAQs for our [apprentices](#), our [employers](#) and our [school partners](#).
2. **Google landing page for Educators:** This excellent new resource aggregates all of the amazing education content that Google has to offer: [Teach from Home](#)
3. A reminder that Google also has excellent lesson plans in their [Applied Digital Skills Curriculum](#) that was shared with CWNY supervisors a couple of weeks ago. Nikki Evans, Director at the Office of Workforce Partnerships at CUNY writes this endorsement:
“The video content is good and the content is grouped into collections both by populations (elem, middle school, high school, and adults) and topics (ie Career Readiness). You can pair this with Google classroom and move different modules over—creating a class that students could log into, complete assignments, and you could track their progress. One of your employers said he found it very helpful in teaching basic career skills to his apprentices.”
4. Now that we’re all working from home here are some tips from Matt Turner (Abby’s husband!) on [how to keep your home network healthy](#). This is a great guide that includes (1) how a home network works (2) connection points and devices, (3) internet speed and (4) problem solving for a slow internet. Thanks Matt!
5. Are you a teacher who is new to remote instruction? General Assembly has made its [Introduction to Teaching and Learning Online](#) lesson free for anyone with an .edu or .org email address. It’s a 2.5 hour lesson with a nice mix of content, videos, and quizzes, and you don’t have to do all at once.



REMINDERS

TRAINING FOR CWNYS EMPLOYER SUPERVISORS -- CURRENT AND NEW

We are thinking about the best ways to connect this spring. April and May supervisor and coach training will occur virtually. We will hold a **supervisor check in** for all CWNYS supervisors on April 8.

We are also planning to create a virtual session for **Cohort 2 supervisors** as the first portion of the training that they will receive to supervise an apprentice next year. Only new supervisors should join the 5/4 session and they will receive an update on a Part II at a later date.

4/8 - Virtual Supervisor Check in - Cohort I Supervisors (Confirmed from 1:30 - 3)

5/4 - Virtual Supervisor Training Part I for Cohort II Supervisors (Timing TBD)

We will continue to update you on training as we approach the summer months.