

Parent Information Guide

WebJam NYC

November 5 to November 6

What is WebJam NYC?

Everyone has been stuck inside for over a year. Students are among those affected by this the most because they haven't been able to socialize or do much with other people. Now that in-person meetups are becoming viable again, we want to run something special to connect young people.

We're hosting a coding event to connect people with a common interest who would've never met each other otherwise. WebJam NYC will be an educational experience, a way to make friends, and most importantly a way to have fun.

With modern technologies, the possibilities of what one can make with code are limitless— from highly interactive tools to games. We want to encourage the new generation to take advantage of this and learn along the way.

Who's in Charge Here?

We're a team of passionate teenage programmers with experience in both building products and organizing events. We all met each other through the act of creating awesome things with code, and we want to share this with other students.

WebJam NYC is also a legal 501(c)(3) nonprofit through fiscal sponsorship from our partner, [Hack Club](#). We are also backed and funded by several large companies. Sponsors currently include [Vercel](#) and [Sticker Mule](#), with more to be publicized soon as arrangements progress.

Overseers will include our team, as well as 5-10 background-checked adult staff and venue security.

What is Hack Club?

WebJam NYC is under the umbrella of [Hack Club](#), a registered 7-year old nonprofit organization whose mission is to foster a wholesome generation of coders, makers, founders, and builders.

Hack Club is a network of hundreds of after-school, student-led computer science clubs, and a safe, positive online community of 13,000+ teenagers from 22 countries, who consist of highly technical high school students from around the US and world.

The Event Plan

This November, WebJam NYC is going to unite 80 high school coders for 22 hours.

During this period, participants will team up and build projects together. By the end, everyone will have an original creation to show off. The best projects will have the opportunity to present to everyone, and win education-enhancing prizes such as iPads!

Students newer to writing code will also have plenty of support. Mentors from top tech companies will offer help, as well as run group workshops.

If this sounds interesting and you think you can come, we welcome you to [tentatively register on our Eventbrite!](#)

COVID Details

The pandemic has affected everyone and we understand that it's still a serious concern today, especially considering the delta variant.

WebJam NYC is a ways off right now, but we will be following CDC and state regulations as well as recommendations from health professionals.

This event is also low-capacity, with only 80 participants. At the very least, we will most likely be requiring vaccinations and masks for all participants. Feel free to reach out with any questions.

For Parents and Caregivers

Location

WebJam NYC will be happening in the middle of Brooklyn, New York. We're still negotiating with our venue and as such can't give an address.

Most likely it'll take place at [Industry City](#), a beautiful location by the Brooklyn waterfront. We will send out an update as soon as more information is available.

Timing and Dates

All participants should be at the venue by November 5th at 6:00 PM EDT. Supervision will be available up to a couple of hours earlier.

The closing ceremony will end and participants will be released on November 6th at 4:00 PM EDT.

Contact Information

Have any questions? Please reach out to us via email at team@webjam.nyc or phone (limited hours) at 914-343-0742.

During the event, the emergency contact will be the same information above.

Other Notes

Parents should expect their child's technical aptitude to increase considerably. They will end the trip with a project they built. They'll gain friendships and connections with technical people their age, many of whom will go on to become the next generation of founders, builders, and innovators.

Feel free to reach out to us if you have any questions about timing or organizing trips! As we expand our list of funding sponsors, we may be able to offer travel reimbursements in the future.



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