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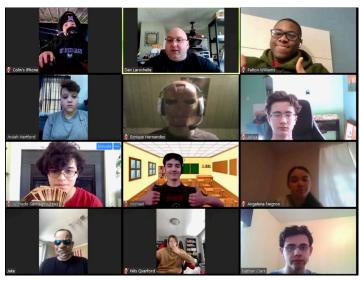
Welcome to the Spark Family Newsletter, the remote edition!

As we complete our second week of remote learning, our families, students, and staff are working hard on improving this experience to the greatest extent possible. So far, we have worked on ironing out the wrinkles in the delivery of the program, return of student work, clarity of expectations, and the tools needed to establish a productive and healthy weekly student schedule.

Students will soon be receiving invitations to Zoom meetings which will then be added to their Google calendars as they are accepted. The example to the right will provide everyone with a sense of the weekly Spark schedule with Zoom meeting times, and the days and times

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Date							
8 am			Weekly Staff Meeting				
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10am	Wright Technology Zoom Required	Whight Technology Zoom Optional for Additional Help	Humanities Zoom Meeting for Wright Required	Wright Technology Zoom Required	Wright Technology Zoom Optional for Additional Help		
	Newton Biology Zoom Req.	Newton Biology Optional Help		Newton Biology Zoom Req.	Newton Biology Optional Help		
11 am	Newton Technology Zoom Required	Newton Technology Zoom Optional for Additional Help	Humanities Zoom Meeting for Newton Required	Newton Technology Zoom Required	Newton Technology Zoom Optional for Additional Help		
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noon			Algebra 2			2	
1 pm			Geometry				
2 pm							
3 pm	Algebra 1	Algebra 1	Algebra 1	Algebra 1	Algebra 1		
4 pm							
5 pm		Humanties Assignment Due - Files on the Portal	Technology Assignment Due		17		Technology Assignment Due
6 pm	Biology Reading/pract ?s Due Study guide due	Biology Reading/pract ?s Due	Biology Reading/pract ?s Due Weekly Activity	Biology Reading/pract ?s Due	Biology Reading/pract ?s Due Lab Due		
5 PM	Economics Assignments Due by Email to Mr. Losier- Check Email from Mr. Losier	Humanties Assignment Due - Instructions & Files on the Portal					

when student work is due. We hope this helps our Spark families bring a more regular "school day" structure to learning from home. We hope our regular Zoom meetings can help restore some of the personal aspect to



Zooming with Newton

our learning and teaching though they can't replace our being in the classrooms together. Changes to the weekly schedule will be sent to parents and students if and when they occur.

We want to thank both parents and students for keeping in touch with us concerning any difficulties they may be having with assignments or with the files posted or sent to you via email. Keep letting us know how we can make this better.

Students, be sure you are completing your work. It's never good to fall behind in our work, and that is especially important now. Also, let's remember to work together when that is the teacher's expectation and individually when teachers expect you to do so. I've asked teachers to be <u>very</u> explicit about this so as to avoid problems.

Daily attendance will be a matter of completion of assignments and attendance on the required Zoom meetings.



Zooming with Wright

Some of you have been very diligent so far about getting your work done; some not so much. Remember that you are not alone. If you need help, we'll do our best to be there for you. If you're having connectivity or equipment problems, let us know. This is a time to be creative, but it is also a time to be responsible. When all of this is over, you need to be prepared for the next step when we are all back together again. With the end of quarter coming on April 3rd, it's a very good idea to stay on top of your work!

The staff and I meet every day via Zoom from 9:00 to 10:00 so that we can work closely together and



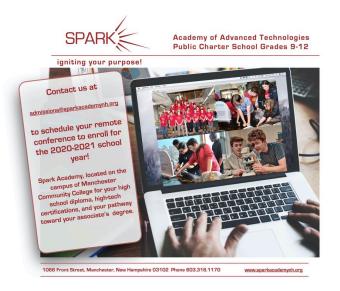
improve our work every day. I and other school leaders have been involved in three Zoom DOE per week along with several other weekly Zoom meetings with various DOE departments as we work together through a radical, but temporary, change to our educational system.

Zooming with the Staff

Remember to leave time for family, friends, and fun so as to balance out the changes that we are all experiencing. I hope you look forward to Zooming with us weekly. We like seeing your smiling faces, even if we have to do so remotely.

Until next week, remember that we are remote, but not distant!!!

Denis Mailloux, Diretor



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