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DEAR PARENTS & FRIENDS OF SPARK.

We thank you for making the effort with us to get back to a more normal routine for our students. After two weeks of greater inperson time, I can see the difference in your kids as they interact more directly and naturally with each other and with their teachers.

I believe the Spark Community remains free of Covid infection, something for which I am most grateful. We are doing this together!

CALENDAR CHANGE...

Please note the change to next week's calendar. We were initially scheduled to use Monday, March 22nd, as a workshop day. We will have regular classes on that date. Monday, the 29th, and Tuesday, the 30th, will now be workshop days. On those days (the 29th & 30th), students will not have classes and should use those days to catch up on their work.

I apologize for this sudden change and would do so only for an important reason. If this change causes a transportation issue for you family, your student may join classes remotely on the 22nd. Please note that there will be no school bus on that date.

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FITNESS TIME...

We want to thank Manchester Community College for bringing their fitness class to our Wednesday experience. Our first fitness class took place this past Wednesday at Noon. The next will be taking place next Wednesday at the same time. This makes a great addition to our Wednesday program!

WEDNESDAY MANUFACTURING VIRTUAL TOURS...

Our next virtual tour will be taking place on Wednesday, March 31st. This tour will be provided by the Graphicast Company. These presentations have provided fascinating insights to the opportunities waiting for students like ours. Many companies offer great educational packages along with excellent pay and benefits. We don't often think of the careers to be found in areas like label or filter manufacturing or of industries that provide the many castings needed in today's world. This series is a great eye-opener as to the many routes to be found in our state for so many high-paying careers.



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THANK YOU...

So many of you have generously answered our request for sanitizing wipes. Your thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated!

GOOGLE REVIEWS...

In order to continue fine tuning our website SEO which puts us at the top when people search for Spark Academy, it's important to have "reviews." Please help us by reviewing our school.

If you google "Spark Academy of Advanced Technologies," a window with search results will appear. On the right side of the screen you will see our business listing.

Scroll towards the bottom where you will see "Reviews"

Click on "Write a Review." Please discourage anyone from writing negative reviews of other schools while writing a review of Spark Academy.



NEXT VIRTUAL OPEN HOUSE DATE: TUESDAY, APRIL 6TH, FROM 6:30 TO 7:30PM...

Our Virtual Open Houses seem to be a hit with prospective families! As a result of all our efforts, Spark Academy is moving toward a very healthy enrollment for next year!

Please continue to help us spread the word about the upcoming date. You may contact Spark parent and board member, Sue McGowan, at

<u>susan.mcgowan@sparkacademynh.org</u> for a yard sign to help us advertise the upcoming date.



Our school benefits from numerous grants that help make a Spark Academy education possible for our students. Spark is in line for a very substantial grant that will help us develop more programs and greater opportunities for our students.

We need a grant committee that includes members of all Spark stakeholders. We will be seeking 2 parents, 2 students, 2 faculty, 2 board members, and 2 MCC faculty/staff for this committee. This committee will develop our grant proposal and help implement its use. Please contact me at denismailloux@sparkacademynh.org should you wish to join us in this very important process.

Enjoy our photos of our robotics team and physics class.



Denis Mailloux Director.



