

SPARK Academy

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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TRIVIA NIGHT CANCELLED

The family engagement night scheduled for next Thursday 5/9 has been cancelled. Please help spread the word to those who may miss this edition of the newsletter. We hope to see you at a Trivia Night next year!

VEX WORLDS

Our members of the Robotics Team that traveled to Worlds represented Spark well and won the Sportsmanship Award in their division. Great job, Team Blunder! Our robotics program is not focused on winning, it's all about the experience. We hope you had a good experience and learned a lot, and we can't wait to see how you share your knowledge with your fellow team members next year. A huge thank you to

the mentors, Harrison Williams, Ryan Shamel, and Dan Larochelle for taking time off from your jobs and lives to bring this experience to the students.

VOLUNTEER ZOOM MEETINGS

Reminder that if you are interested in learning more about how you can help with the upcoming NH Gives online fundraiser and the golf tournament, Mr. Tuttle will be hosting Zoom meetings to provide information. Please reach out to him or Mrs. Larochelle for the link. The golf tournament call is on 5/7 at 6:00 PM. The NH Gives call is on 5/15 at 5:00 PM.

YEARBOOKS

We are a small school and our 40+ page, hardbound yearbook features photos of all of our students, not just the fourth-year ones. If you missed the pre order, you may still be able to purchase a book at full price when they come in. Thank you to Yearbook Advisors Landis Brown and Denis Mailloux, and to all of the student staff members who worked so hard to create our yearbook!



CONGRATULATIONS

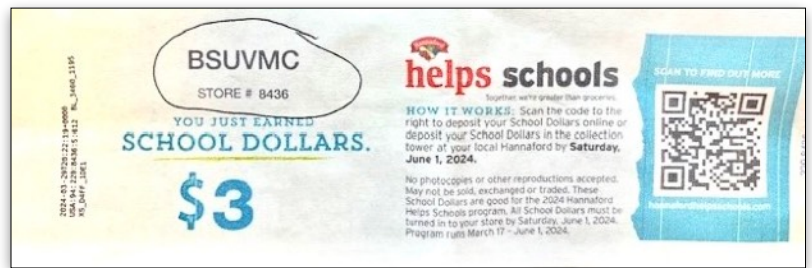
Spark Academy congratulates Jake Anderson, Class of 2023 who has now finished earning his associate degree in HVAC at MCC! We are so proud of him.

ONE MONTH LEFT FOR HANNAFORD HELPS SCHOOLS

Reminder that this VERY EASY fundraiser is still going on! They have simplified it greatly this year – it no longer matters which store location you go to! Just go to the Hannaford Helps Schools website and find the Redeem Coupons page. Here is the direct link: <https://redeemcoupon.hannafordhelpsschools.com/>



Enter the coupon code and store number (circled on the image below) where indicated. Then scroll down and click to select your school. Type 'Spark' into the search box and we are the only school that pops up. The amount of the coupon will automatically be applied to Spark Academy



AMAZON WISH LIST UPDATE

Please check out our wish list on [amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com), which has been updated to include some items needed for the golf tournament's golfers as well as lunch items for our students. (We are feeding quite a few students every day.) Here is the link: [Check out my list on Amazon](#). Thank you!



ICE CREAM THROWDOWN!

Tutor.com is hosting an [Ice Cream Throwdown!](#) The (in-person) school with the highest percentage of students who connect for drop-off or on-demand writing sessions between April 15 to May 17 will win a school ice cream party. Students, please continue to utilize this free service to assist you with everything from writing to math.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- ☑ Wednesday 5/8 – Science Test for all Third-Year students
- ☑ Wednesday 5/15 – Board meeting
- ☑ Friday 5/17 – Final progress reports for S2
- ☑ Saturday 5/18 – STEM Day at Pease AFB (9:00 – 2:00)
- ☑ Wednesday 5/29 – Senior Dinner (invitation only)
- ☑ Thursday 5/30 – Graduation 12:00 MPR @MCC (all welcome)

TUTTLE THOUGHTS

As the weather gets nicer, there are going to be more and more opportunities to get out in the community and do some hands-on activities. These activities are to give experiences and learning opportunities to students. They are not all the same and different ones will come up at different times. Not everyone will have all of the same experiences, but they will all be working and learning the same things on these trips.

This year we have gone to the Currier Museum, Odiorne Point, the Air & Space Museum, the Capitol Center for the Arts, and various park trips. We have also gone to several different companies to see what they have to offer. These experiences help students build soft skills and discover the different pathways that are available to each of them.

Having these opportunities are part of our program but some depend on grades and others are part of the growth process. I am looking forward to all of the new trips and experiences that we are going to have going forward.

Hope you have a great weekend!

John Tuttle
Director