

Academy of Advanced Technologies Public Charter School Grades 9-12

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Dear Parents & Friends,

We wish everyone a Happy and Healthy Easter! We hope we are reaching out to our students with sufficient Zoom contact to provide the support and sense of community that is so important in these times. A survey is going out to students and parents today to help us get a better sense of the balance of school vs. leisure time.

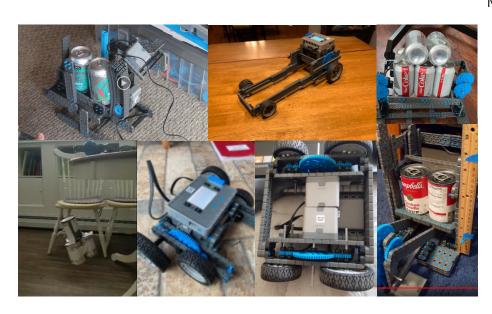
Please let me know via email if you do not receive a survey by the end of the day, Friday. We are assuming that one parent per household will respond; however, both parents may respond if they wish to do so. The surveys are intended for parents <u>and</u> students with one item that helps us simply identify a response as that of a student or parent.



The staff meets every day (by Zoom, of course) to share information and attempt to bring ongoing improvement to this experience. For today, we asked them to share three words with all of you. Obviously, Mr. Larochelle's message is a desperate cry for help while Mr. Pouliot's message must refer to something from the math program . The rest of us just want to share the kinds of reminders that will help all of us make the most of social distancing and remember that we still have each other!

Report cards were sent home today via email. Please let Mrs. Larochelle know if you have not received one, and feel free to contact teachers if you have any questions.

I will let everyone know what is happening with the April break as soon as our board is able to arrive at a decision. The Spark Community seems to be generally of the opinion that it is better that we work through the April break and end the school year a week early. I will email all of you once I have a final decision.



Mr. Larochelle has shared some photos of our students' "Lift a Can" projects for the week. It's great to see that the exploration goes on in technology, even if it has to be remote.

Finally, we ask that our families continue to connect us with prospective Spark families. We know that the last thing on people's minds right now is which school they will choose for next year. However, it is still important that we communicate our mission and message to those who do not yet know us.

As everyone can see from the media, the state is still assessing the duration of social distancing measures. We very much hope we can be face-to-face before the end of the school year, but we know that Spark Academy will make the most of this and

that we will become an even stronger community in the process!

Once again, Happy Easter! Let us count our blessing and be thankful that we have each other!

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