

SPARK Academy

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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REMINDER: MONDAY APRIL 1ST IS A SCHOOL DAY

Please remember that we have changed this coming Monday from a workshop day to a school day!

GOLF TOURNAMENT JUNE 26

Please help us fill the golf course at Pembroke Pines for our third annual Spark Academy Golf Classic! This is a fun day for all, whether you hit the links like a pro or just drive a cart. We need foursomes! If you play, you

can sign up here: www.birdease.com/26104 If you want to come and volunteer, let us know! If you work for or know of a company that might like to participate, please share the flyer attached to this email and let them know why Spark Academy is worth supporting. There will be raffles, a silent auction, fun extra contests, and more. Lunch is included. The venue has a brand-new clubhouse this year, please come join us and be part of the fun.



COLLEGE CLASSES

All second- and third-year students should be well into the process of mapping out and signing up for their college classes for the Fall semester. If you are not, you need to meet with Mr. Tuttle, Mr. Larochelle or Mrs. Minery right away.

EXPLORATION WEDNESDAY

This week we sent two groups to Odiorne Park and the Seacoast Science Center there. We also had a guest from Merrimack Manufacturing who discussed apprenticeships (and pre-apprenticeships) with some of our students.



COLLEGE STUDENTS

Please remember that if you are sick or calling out of school for any other reason, you need to notify your college professor as well as Spark Academy.





ROBOTICS TEAM NEWS

1. Saturday, April 6 our robotics teams will be competing at a final post-season event in Pembroke called Warm-Up to Worlds. Come out and cheer them on one last time this year!
2. Our World qualifying team is hard at work getting ready to compete in Dallas, TX during April break, and the Go Fund Me could really use some traction. Please share this link with your social media networks to help defray the travel costs for these families: <https://gofund.me/edac03c0>

BUILD-A-BED APRIL 20!

Once again Spark Academy will be participating in the MCC/Sleep in Heavenly Peace Build-a-Bed day to serve local children who need beds to sleep in. We always love to see Spark families at this event so please sign up via the QR code on the flyer included with this email! This year's build is on Saturday, April 20 from 10:30-12:00 with lunch provided afterward.

HANNAFORD HELPS SCHOOLS

Keep turning in your school dollar receipts and thank you!

PHOTOS

This edition of the newsletter contains photos from Wednesday's trip, taken by student members of the yearbook staff.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- Wednesday, 4/10 – Info Night for Prospective Families
- Wednesday, 4/17 – Board meeting
- 4/22-4/26 – Spring break, no Spark classes
- Wednesday, 5/15 – Staff workshop day



TUTTLE THOUGHTS

I hope that you have all had a great week. This week we focused on making sure that students are talking about the classes that they will be taking next year. This will help them plan and organize their path through high school. It is great that students are able to look at Early College classes but it is important to remember that high school classes are the first priority.

As a school we continue to have conversations about do I have to do this or is this graded. These are normal questions but very closed on growth. What we are trying to do at Spark is create excitement around learning and find ways to learn and grow. As we move through adulthood, we will continue to learn and grow and it is about personal success and not about the external reward.



So it is important to plan for the future and focus on how we are learning, but at the same time we need to find ways to learn and grow to make sure we are growing into the person we want to be.

Have a great weekend!

John Tuttle

Director

