

### DEAR FAMILIES & FRIENDS OF SPARK,

Having a voice and a choice. This is an important skill that is needed to be built for future success. This week I spent time with the third year students to develop a list of expectations for students in their third year. We spent time talking about what support they need and how to balance the idea of being a college student and a high school student at the same time. We had discussed the use of college spaces, making sure that they have a plan for completing work, and when and where to be.

So we have come up with a few clear expectations for all. A full list is being worked on.

- Everyone must report to Spark at 8:00am for classes
- Everyone must complete one study period a day.
- If you have extended or have an incomplete in a class, an additional study should be added.
- If you are passing all of your classes you will be granted access to the gym, library, cafe and other requested areas in the college.

I am so proud of these students. They are working hard, but they do not always let people know when they need help or are struggling. These are the times that I want to hear their voice so that we can help and support them.

Thank you and have a great weekend.

Sincerely,  
John Tuttle  
Director

### CALENDAR ITEMS...

The **VEX Robotics NH/VT State Championship** is once again being hosted at MCC. The high school division will compete on Saturday, 2/19 and the elementary school division competes on Sunday, 2/20. Spectators are not allowed due to COVID, but we still need plenty of volunteers to make this very exciting event happen for the kids! If you



would like to volunteer or support the event with a company sponsorship, please contact Mrs. Larochelle ASAP - by Monday 2/7. Thank you! [jennifer.larochelle@sparkacademyh.org](mailto:jennifer.larochelle@sparkacademyh.org)

## OUR NEXT INFORMATION NIGHT...

Please help us spread the word that our next Information Night is **Thursday, February 10 at 6:30 PM**. Applications for the 2022-23 school year are rolling in, so please urge your friends with motivated eighth graders to apply ASAP. The deadline is **March 31**.

## A REMINDER...

Next Wednesday 2/9 we have an **EARLY DISMISSAL** time of 12:00 noon. Buses will pick up our bus riders at that time.

## REPORT CARDS...

Report cards for the first semester have gone out. If you did not receive an electronic copy or would like to request a hard copy, please let us know.



## OTHER NEWS...

We have had a question regarding spring breaks. Our students who are in college classes should plan on taking the time off in March, when MCC's Spring break occurs, because it's important they don't miss college classes if possible. Spark is happy to be flexible with the work for our classes. We can also work something out on an individual basis, just bear in mind that we do not have control over MCC class schedules.

## PHOTOS..

Our photos this week are from our first year students' Robotics Class and Wednesday's various activities

