



**SPARK**  
Academy

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**SCHOOL COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER**

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## CONGRATULATIONS

The following fourth-year Spark Academy students have earned their Associate Degree in Advanced Manufacturing Technology: Palton Williams (expected summer), Julius Soti, Caleb Smith, Wilfredo Santiago-Lopez (expected summer), Kieran McCurdy, John Larochelle, Enrique Hernandez, Raden Chretien, and Matt Beaudin. We are so proud of their hard work and perseverance, and we congratulate all of them on this amazing achievement! All nine students walked in Manchester Community College's graduation ceremony at the Fisher Cats Stadium this week. Enrique, John, Kieran, Raden, and Julius graduated with honors.

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

On Friday, June 2 we are dismissing classes at 2:00 PM and there will be NO PM BUSES available.

Any students who are NOT planning to attend the graduation ceremony must be picked up at 2:00. Students who cannot be picked up at 2:00 should plan to attend graduation and may be picked up at 5:00 PM. Please contact Mr. Tuttle with any questions.

## FOURTH-YEAR STUDENTS: IMPORTANT REMINDERS

### GRADUATION PRACTICE

**Date:** Wednesday, May 31st, 2023

**Time:** 10:00am-12:00pm

**Location:** MPR at MCC

### GRADUATION ARRIVAL TIME

**Date:** Friday, June 2nd, 2023

**Time:** 2:00pm

**Location:** Rm #314

### SCHOOL-WIDE AWARDS

**Date:** Wednesday, June 7, 2023

**Time:** 1:30pm

**Location:** MPR at MCC – bring your yearbook if you wish!

## YEARBOOKS

Fourth year students may pick up their yearbooks at graduation practice on 5/31.

All other cohorts will receive their yearbooks on Awards Day, 6/7.

Any student who did not preorder a yearbook may purchase one for \$30.

## NH GIVES - PARENT CHAMPIONS NEEDED

June 6-7 is NH Gives, a statewide fundraising campaign upon which Spark relies for a significant portion of funding. To bolster our efforts, we are in search of one or two (or more!) parents from each cohort to be an "NH Gives Champion" that will lead their own mini-goals inside the larger Spark effort. Reach out to Mr. Long or Mr. Tuttle if you are interested, or SIGN UP ON OUR [NH GIVES WEBSITE](#) BY CLICKING "FUNDRAISE".

## FIELD TRIP THIS WEEK

A group of 2nd year students went to Portsmouth on Wednesday for a guided tour of the Black Heritage Trail. Students learned of how the earliest African Americans were committed to self-determination, service, and building community. More information:

<https://blackheritagetrailnh.org/>

## CONGRATULATIONS TO CREW MEMBERS TRAVIS & SETH

From Concord Crew: "We had a phenomenal weekend of racing at The Northeast Regional Championships in Worcester, MA. Two days of racing, 30 races total for Concord Crew with 55 rowers and coxswain participating. Nine Concord Crew athletes qualified for Nationals, coming home with a GOLD won by Travis Garside and Seth Lowne! They will go to a weeklong competition in Florida this June." More information on Concord Crew at [www.concordcrew.org](http://www.concordcrew.org) .

## STAFF LUNCHEON

One of our parent Board members has offered to organize an end-of-year staff luncheon for us, to be held on Thursday June 15 at 12:30 PM. Anyone who would like to contribute money for this meal can send their cash or check to school in an envelope marked "Staff Luncheon" which should be turned in to Mrs. Roberts at the front desk. (Checks are made out to Spark Academy, please.)

If you are interested in helping out in some other way, please reach out to Sarah Carter at [saffronandclove@gmail.com](mailto:saffronandclove@gmail.com) . Thank you!

## TUTTLE THOUGHTS

It is hard to believe that we are here, at the time of graduation. It was amazing to see 9 of our students walk at the MCC graduation to get their AMT Associate Degree. It will be even more amazing to see all of the 4th year students walk at our first graduation.

This is a special time for Spark Academy and it is important to make sure that we continue to show everyone the part of our school that is the most special: our students. On June 2, we are having our graduation ceremony in the MPR and I am asking to have all students be present. The doors open at 3:00.

A major part of being a Spark student is making sure that we are helping and supporting each other. We are a team that works together to help everyone be successful. We teach other soft skills that involve being in social situations and the ability to have a conversation with other people. These skills are just as important as learning how to read, write, and solve math equations.

Next Friday June 2 there will be no buses at the 2:00 pick up, so students: I ask that if for some reason you are not able to attend our graduation ceremony, you meet with me to discuss your plan. Parents, thank you all for your support and I look forward to celebrating all of our amazing graduating students with all of you.

Have a fun and safe holiday weekend.

John Tuttle

Director



# MANCHESTER COMMUNITY COLLEGE & SPARK ACADEMY GRADUATES

## CLASS OF 2023

