

# Spring Creek Community School

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Dear 8th Grade Families,

Welcome to the 2020-2021 school year! We know that this learning platform is still new for many of us, but we continue to be committed to the success and achievement of students in our classroom. As we transition to a blended learning and fully remote setting, the information provided in this letter will help you in preparing your child(ren) to be successful. Please review the protocols and expectations for students below.

#### Families can expect that teachers will:

- Use Google Classroom to post lesson materials, assignments, links to Zoom/Google Meet class sessions
- **Hold daily office hours** so students who need help from their teachers can get it. Office hours will be scheduled through Google Calendar appointment slots
- Provide social-emotional learning support to all students.
- **Be accessible** by email and phone.
- **Meet the needs of diverse learners** and ensure we provide accommodations, modifications, access, and equity for all students.
- Make each student's learning experience engaging, meaningful, and strong!

#### Families should expect their student to:

- Log-in to each of their Google Classrooms on a DAILY basis and check for assignments and instructions from their teachers. Students will be added automatically to the appropriate classes; if there are any issues with joining or accessing a class, please contact your teacher directly. You can find their contact information at the end of this letter.
- Check their Spring Creek email on a daily basis.
- Complete all required assignments and submit these as directed by their teacher.
- Watch posted instructional videos in their entirety.
- **Email teachers** if they have any questions.
- Come prepared to and be respectful during instructional times. See the next page for Norms and Expectations

## Families can help by ensuring their student is:

- Checking Google Classroom & SCCS email on a daily basis.
- Completing all required assignments and submitting these to their teacher in a timely manner.
- Attending all scheduled class sessions if remote.
- Reaching out to their teacher if they have any questions or concerns or need any extra help

## **Norms and Expectations:**

#### **Blended Learning Students**

For students engaged in blended learning, you will receive a cohort and schedule that aligns with the cohort. Some days you will be in-person and other days you will be working remotely from home. The expectation for your in-person days are as follows:

- Wear a FACE MASK
- Come to school prepared with the requested supplies and materials (there will be no sharing of supplies)
- Follow the classroom norms, school rules and NYC DOE rules and guidelines
- It is our expectation that when you are in the classroom, you exhibit the following behaviors:
  - o Be Respectful of ourselves, your classmates and your teachers.
    - Be kind! No cursing or teasing.
    - Respect boundaries! Do not touch anyone else with your hands, feet or other objects.
  - o One Mic
  - Stay in your seat unless instructed to move

## **Remote Learning Students**

Students who are fully remote or who engage in remote learning some days of the week will receive a schedule of their classes. Students will follow the assigned schedule. As always, we expect students to abide by the Spring Creek Community School and NYC Department of Education's expectations around behavior and achievement. Other classroom expectations when you are engaged in remote learning are:

- Be ready for class
  - No explicit attire or language
    - 1st Warning: Teacher Redirection
    - 2nd Warning: Referral to School Intervention Team
    - 3rd Warning: Discussion with Parent
  - Be in class both physically and mentally
  - Be respectful
  - o One MIC
  - Be in a work space and in work mode during class time
  - Have your supplies ready at the start of class
  - Have your computer charged before clas
  - Mute selves at the start of a class
- Students review agenda at the start of class
- Remain on mute unless asked
- Use the chat features only for class related discussions (act as though you are in person)
- In Zoom- use the hand raise feature
- If they need an emergency break, please ask to be excused in the chat
- Parents should address questions for teachers during office hours not class time

We are excited to meet and work with the incoming 8th grade scholars and their families. With your support and participation, we can make this a productive year for all.

Stay safe and healthy!!

See below for class-specific information on contacting your teachers.

Go to https://tinyurl.com/SCCS8thGradeLinks2020 to find links and instructions for all 8th grade tech and websites.

Best, 8th Grade Team

8 <sup>th</sup> GRADE TEAM		
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