

July 4, 2020

Families, Students, and Friends,

Happy 4th of July! I hope your family and community are safe and healthy and that you are able to be with loved ones this weekend, even if only over Zoom.

Parents and families, I am happy to announce that this was the BEST semester ever for grades, credit accumulation, and graduation that we have ever had. Unfortunately, graduation was not what your student(s) expected or deserved, but they made it and we are all so happy for them!

We had three days of scheduled graduation with students coming in to pick up diplomas and awards and have their pictures taken with their caps and gowns. We will be holding another picture day at the end of summer for August graduates, so if you missed getting your picture taken, please give let Ms. Smith or Mr. Benoit know and we will put you on the list.

For those families who did not have a graduate this semester, if you have not yet been on Jupiter, please check out grades, Regents passed, and grade level for your student. You might be surprised. Our students pulled through in unprecedented numbers, even with all the chaos of moving from a brick and mortar building to a virtual learning environment. You can be proud of your student for having such a high level of perseverance and resiliency.

We will continue summer school virtually for now. Classes start Tuesday, June 7 at 9:00 a.m. and will run through 1:30 p.m. every day. If you wish to attend summer school, please contact Ms. Smith (msmith@ndchsbrooklyn.org), call the front desk (347-505-9101), or go to Jupiter and sign up through the message Ms. Smith will send out to the entire school to set up an appointment to get a schedule. We will be doing schedules over Zoom for the summer because we want to make sure you and your student know exactly what classes (s)he will be taking and why. Again, this summer semester, Regents exams will be waived.

In the meantime, please enjoy this somewhat somber weekend with those close to you.

I hope to be seeing many of you in summer school. Dr. A (sasmussen@ndchsbrooklyn.org)