

March 30, 2020

Dear Parents and Guardians:

I hope that you enjoyed a healthy weekend. As you know, the teachers and principals have been working so hard at making our children's learning experience rich and uninterrupted; I am very proud of their hard work and growth over the past week. I would also like to thank each of you for your continued assurance to me as our "parents as partners" for the sake of our shared responsibility – the children.

As we approach the month of April, we also enter into the closure date of the third quarter. Teachers will be engaged in inputting grades into the reporting system during the first week of April. Those grades will be based on all of the work completed during this grading period, including everything that has been done remotely. In cases where assessments have not yet been collected or graded, only materials that have been reviewed will factor into the third quarter's grade.

Shortly after parents and students return from Easter Break, a PDF version of the third quarter report card will be sent to parents indicating their child's progress during the third quarter. I have asked principals and teachers to take the adjustment period into consideration when calculating final quarter grades, as it was a learning experience for all involved.

The readiness of our principals and teachers is a true testament to me that our schools are thriving in a new learning environment. Please know that more school-specific information regarding dates of report card e-mailing will be shared with you on the local school level by your child(ren's) principal in upcoming days.

In the meantime, I wish you all a very successful second week of home-based learning and thank you for your patience, partnership, and trust.

Sincerely,

John T. Riley  
Regional Superintendent of Schools  
Catholic School Region of the Northwest/South Bronx