



# CREC Academy of Science and Innovation



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Dear Academy of Science and Innovation Families,

Welcome to your 2020-2021 Senior year! We hope this letter finds you and your family healthy and safe during this stressful time. We want to assure you that we are doing our best to prepare your child for a meaningful, inspiring, and rigorous educational experience. Student success and achievement at the Academy of Science and Innovation is driven by the collaboration between parents and guardians, staff, and students. We look forward to working with you for the continued success of your children.

Depending on the recommendations of the CDC, students and staff may be in an environment where school supplies cannot be shared. For this reason, it is critical that your child have their own school supplies. It is imperative that students bring their laptop (fully charged), charging cable, and headphones to school every day. Laptops cannot be shared by students. If you have a technology issue, you must fill out the "Technology Assistance Form" that can be found on the ASI website. If specific supplies for a class are needed, they will be listed in their teacher's syllabus.

Due to the CDC guidelines of requiring masks during the school day, we will be going outside for mask breaks. We will be going outside, regardless of weather conditions. Students should remain socially distant while on a mask break and dress appropriately.

Students that will be attending remotely (CDLA) will be expected to log onto Zoom for each of their classes at the appropriate time. Links for each class will be found on Schoology. If you have any problems finding the Zoom links, first contact your teacher using email or you can also contact the Main Office. All school rules and expectations are applicable during virtual learning. Your name must appear in Zoom as it appears in PowerSchool. Cameras are required to be on for the first ten minutes and the last ten minutes of every class period. Active participation, either verbally or in chat, is also required. Lastly, you must log in on time. The schedule for both in-person and remote students is as follows:



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<u><b>In School</b></u>		
<b>Grade 11/12</b>	<b>A Day</b>	<b>B Day</b>
<b>7:20-7:45</b>	Homeroom	Homeroom
<b>7:45-8:45 (60 minutes)</b>	Block 1	Block 5
<b>8:50-9:50 (60 minutes)</b>	Block 2	Block 6
<b>9:55-11:50 (115 minutes)</b>	Block 3 and 20 minute mask break	Block 7 and 20 minute mask break
<b>11:55-12:50 (55 minutes)</b>	Block 4	Block 8
<b>12:50-1:20</b>	Recess	Recess
<b>1:20-1:50</b>	Lunch 11/12	Lunch 11/12
<b>1:55-2:10</b>	Dismissal	Dismissal
<u><b>CREC Distance Learning (CDL)</b></u>		
<b>Grade 11</b>	<b>A Day</b>	<b>B Day</b>
<b>7:45-8:45 (60 minutes)</b>	Block 1	Block 5
<b>8:50-9:50 (60 minutes)</b>	Block 2	Block 6
<b>9:55-11:50</b> <i>*On your first day connect at 9:55 and your teacher will clarify start time based on mask breaks</i>	Block 3	Block 7
<b>11:55-12:50 (55 minutes)</b>	Block 4	Block 8

Every Monday and Wednesday will be an “A-Day” and Tuesday and Thursday will be B-Days. Fridays will alternate between A and B. You can find the specific dates listed on the ASI website. Thursday September 10<sup>th</sup> will be a B-Day (half-day) and Friday September 11<sup>th</sup> will be an A-Day (half-day). Please use the half-day schedule. The half-day schedules are for both in-person and virtual learners. A copy of the schedule is as follows:



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## A DAY (MON&WED-1/2 DAY)

TIME	PERIOD
7:20-7:45	Homeroom
7:45-8:20	Period 1
8:25-9:05	Period 2
9:10-9:50	Period 3
9:55-10:30	Period 4
10:30-10:50	Dismissal

## B DAY (TUE&THUR-1/2DAY)

TIME	PERIOD
7:20-7:45	Homeroom
7:45-8:20	Period 5
8:25-9:05	Period 6
9:10-9:50	Period 7
9:55-10:30	Period 8
10:30-10:50	Dismissal

If your child is planning on applying to colleges, they should start working on completing their Brag Sheet on Naviance, their college essay for the Common Application, requesting recommendation letters from their teachers, and developing a list of possible colleges they wish to attend. Please check out the "Net Price Calculator" for every school you are considering. Each college has its own calculator. The Net Price Calculator will give an estimate of what your family will have to pay out of pocket if you attend that school. In addition, please check out student reviews of the schools on Niche.com.

If you are interested in applying for scholarships next year, please find ways to volunteer or take on leadership positions in your community this summer and fall. Most scholarships are awarded for a combination of academic excellence, volunteerism, and demonstrated leadership. For more information, please contact your child's Counselor. They are either, Justin Escobales (Last names A-B) at [jescobales@crec.org](mailto:jescobales@crec.org), Ms. Mangione (Last names C-I) at [kmangione@crec.org](mailto:kmangione@crec.org), or Ms. Woods (Last names J-Z) at [ewoods@crec.org](mailto:ewoods@crec.org).



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If your child is interested in helping make this year even more exciting, we have many opportunities for them. Your child can help plan numerous Senior Year activities such as, Spirit Week, Homecoming, Senior Week, and more (All subject to CDC Guidelines). They can contact the Senior Class advisor, Ms. Stacy O'Donnell. Her email is [sodonnell@crec.org](mailto:sodonnell@crec.org). If your child is interested in helping to plan Prom or producing the Yearbook (Subject to CDC Guidelines), they can contact Mr. Scott Miller. His email is [scomiller@crec.org](mailto:scomiller@crec.org). Although the upcoming year might be filled with unknowns, we will tirelessly work toward making sure there are opportunities for your children to engage in their Senior year.

For those students who want to join a Fall sport (Cross Country, Soccer, and Girls Volleyball) or continue their athletic career, must have a current physical and complete the ASI Sports Packet. Students who need a physical should contact the Nurse's Office at 860-223-0726 ext. 7603. If you need additional information, you may contact the ASI Athletic Director, Ms. Kathryn (Kate) Scalia. Her email address is [kscaliala@crec.org](mailto:kscaliala@crec.org).

Here is the link to Fall paperwork (Includes sports physical form):

<https://crecschools.org/cms/One.aspx?portalID=346112&pageID=506638>

For specific information about a Fall sport, we encourage you to contact the Head Coach:

Girls Volleyball: Head Coach – Matthew Lance	<a href="mailto:mlance@crec.org">mlance@crec.org</a>
Cross Country: Head Coach – Greg Person	<a href="mailto:gperson@crec.org">gperson@crec.org</a>
Girls Soccer: Head Coach – Cristian Irizarry	<a href="mailto:cristianirizarry@gmail.com">cristianirizarry@gmail.com</a>
Boys Soccer: Head Coach – Bryan Delacruz	<a href="mailto:bdelacruz@crec.org">bdelacruz@crec.org</a>

Please contact us with any questions or concerns.



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We hope you all had a safe, healthy, and enjoyable summer!

Sincerely,

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