



August, 2020

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Back in June, a letter was sent home sharing details surrounding the 2020 Roxbury Summer Learning assignments. The Curriculum and Instruction Team worked hard to develop an offering that would serve to support student learning experiences that align with a goal of maintaining and fostering a love of learning in content specific ways, while also affording students with a high degree of choice. Understandably, the conclusion of the 2019 - 2020 school year left most exhausted and badly in need of a break, and the circumstances surrounding the return to school for the 2020 - 2021 school year has presented us all with additional questions. As if those elements were not enough, the recent impact of Tropical Storm Isaias has left many in our community without power for multiple days.

While instruction and learning are our ultimate goal, our complicated summer is a reality. To that end, while we hope that students have and continue to engage in meaningful learning experiences that include all disciplines through high interest, personal choice activities as outlined in my first letter and the associated links on our [Summer Learning District page](#), we want to be accommodating and understanding. In order to do so, we will be adjusting how we will hold students accountable for participating in the summer learning program moving toward a focus where we will be awarding credit to students who accomplish various levels of completion, as originally planned, and will be simply exempting those who do not. We feel that this is the best option for students, rather than developing potentially confusing timeline extensions and/or other alterations to the original plan. **Anatomy & Physiology, Honors, and AP students** will remain as originally planned since the course curriculum is dependent on those plans. We are still seeking submissions from K - 4 students for our Summer Learning Rox t-shirt design contest. Submissions should be submitted on the [Elementary Summer Learning page](#) pop up window, no later than Tuesday, August 18.

Please continue to encourage your student(s) to engage in meaningful learning this summer as it is certain to have a positive impact upon our return to school, while still enjoying the remaining weeks of summer. We look forward to September's return and working with our students again! Be well and should you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to the appropriate content supervisor or me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Charles Seipp". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized 'S' at the end.

Charles Seipp, Ed. D.
Assistant Superintendent