

Good afternoon Sci High Families,

I hope that this week's **Friday Message** finds you and your families doing well. As promised, I want to make sure you are receiving the most updated information as it becomes available.

Updates for April 3, 2020:

- As we anticipated, Governor John Bel Edwards announced yesterday that the stay-at-home order has been extended through April 30th. **Thus, all NOLA public schools will remain closed for the duration of the month of April.**
- We will continue to provide ongoing learning for students to ensure that students continue to make strides during this closure. Please note: According to the Louisiana Department of Education, "*School systems will determine if students have demonstrated proficiency in the grade-level content and/or course to award credit.*" For Sci High, this means that **proficiency exams will be factored into students' final grades for the semester.** I will send more detailed information regarding final grades for the semester in a separate message.
- Completed **registration packets** (including copies of three new proofs of residency and a copy of your driver's license) should be returned to school. Someone will be available to receive them at the school on Tues. and Thurs., between 12:00pm - 2:00pm. Otherwise, you may mail the packet and documents or scan and email (as long as it is password protected) to registration@noscihigh.org.
- **Spring Break** (April 9th - 13th) is still happening! I recognize that more than ever before, we ALL need to take care of our physical and mental health. So it is our hope that during that time, we can all re-center ourselves and take a break from the academic obligations for a few days.

A few other reminders:

- Students should check their school-issued email **daily** and check in with teachers according to their teachers' instructions.
- Students should be completing assignments. These assignments are to make sure that they are maintaining skills during this time away from class.
- The Student Based Health Clinic is open from 8:30 - 4:30, but is **only able to do telemedicine (virtual) or phone consults.** They are still able to refill prescriptions electronically. Please call the Nurse Practitioner if you have questions, at (504) 613-5648. If there is an emergency, please call 911.
- Lastly, PLEASE BE SAFE! Wash your hands, cover your coughs, and stay home!! We care about you and want you to be healthy!

We miss you!!

-Monique G. Cola, Ph.D.