



April 28, 2021
Dear BOGCHS Families:

I hope that this letter finds you and your family in great health and in great spirits. I am reaching out to you today to share with you some plans and adjustments I plan to make for the remainder of the academic year.

As you may know, state assessments have been cancelled by the NJ Department of Education. The reason behind this is due to the mental and physical stress this academic year has caused our scholars and our educational team. After further reflection, I have decided to make a similar decision regarding final exams and end of course assessments. With the exception of AP testing and WIDA all final exams and end of course assessments are cancelled. I believe that our students and staff have had enough and I do not want to add any additional stress to this already stressful situation.

Secondly, in order to ensure that I am supporting the mental and physical health of our students and staff, effective Monday, May 3, 2021 until the end of the academic year, we will operate on a half day schedule. Our goal during this time is to maximize the learning experiences in a way that is less strenuous for our students and staff. Please note that despite the change in schedule, attendance counts and I need all scholars on campus or logged in each and every day, unless excused, until the end of the year. The last opportunity for scholars to switch to in person classes is readily approaching. If you did not respond to the May return survey and would like for your child to attend in person, please fill out the attached form by Sunday, May 2, 2021 for a May 10, 2021 start.
<https://forms.gle/TFeuojVVSCoNnRHu5>

Next, I would like to share with you a fun, socially distant, outdoor event that we have planned for our scholars. On May 14, 2021 from 12pm-5pm we invite all scholars to come out to our Spring Fest! Seniors we have something special planned for you! More information and RSVP forms will be sent out shortly.

Finally, we anticipate that scholars will be back in person next academic year. In order to make the uniform shopping process easier, I want to host a uniform sale event on site this summer. In order for this event to happen, I need 50 or more families to participate. If you would like to be a part of this event, please fill out the attached form as soon as possible. If you already submitted a response, please disregard. <https://forms.gle/B7ejjShViv8V78Xq7>

Historically, the spring is a time filled with excitement, joy and a sense of completion. It is my hope that this adjustment brings back the joy we are used to and the time to properly send off our graduates in the way that they deserve.

Attached is our May calendar and as always I thank you for your continued support during this time. Your calls, emails, and quick visits have really been reassuring.

Your partner in educating the LEADERS of tomorrow,