

May 20, 2020

Dear Families,

Earlier this week, we announced our plans for summer learning, to ensure that our students can continue to engage and receive the academic supports they need to be ready for returning to school in the fall. We are writing to you today with an update on the summer calendar, informed by feedback from DOE communities.

For elementary and middle school students who are required or recommended to attend summer school, the program will start one week earlier and will run from **Monday, July 6 – Tuesday, August 11**. There is no change to the duration or structure of the program.

For high school students who are attending summer school, courses will also start one week earlier and will run from **Monday, July 6 – Friday, August 14**. There is no change to the duration or structure of this program either.

For students with 12-month Individualized Education Plan (IEPs) services, there will be no change to the calendar. Our teachers start on Wednesday, July 1 and students are expected to participate from **Thursday, July 2– Thursday, August 13**.

These changes will help accelerate learning for all students. Beginning summer school earlier—closer to the end of the regular school year—allows for continuous learning for students. Concluding programs earlier also allows more time for continuous rest for your family in the month of August.

We appreciate your ongoing patience and flexibility as we adapt to this crisis in real time. Nothing is more important than the health, safety, and continued academic success of your child: we thank you for your partnership in this important endeavor now more than ever.

Sincerely,



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