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Dear iSchool Families:

This is the ninth issue of the 2020-2021 iNotes!

Our iCare Community Service Club wants you to Go Berserkers for Our Essential Workers! Now more than ever we need to acknowledge those essential workers in our communities. Who do you see on a daily/weekly basis that helps to keep your community running? Nominate that person by January 26th and if selected they will receive a \$15 Subway gift card. Nominate them here:

<https://forms.gle/yWQg4grnWmBjgreBA>

Please take your time when reading the rest of the iNotes as there is a lot of important information.

Topic of the Month: *End of Q2/Start of Q3*

With the 2nd quarter ending next Thursday, January 28th, we wanted to send out a few notices about the end of Q2 and beginning of Q3.

Q2 Courses – Because there is no January Regents week this year, the last day for all Q2 courses will be next Thursday, January 28th. All work for all Q3 courses must be submitted by that date in order for it to be reflected in students' Q3 Report Card and transcript grades.

Intersession – Friday, January 29th and Monday, February 1st will be intersession days. On these days there will be no live classes and no new asynchronous work. Teachers will be spending these days grading Q2 work and planning for Q3 courses.

Meet Your Q3 Teachers – On Tuesday, February 2nd, all students and teachers will be following a modified schedule where they will be able to meet with all of their Q3 teachers for a short period of time. We see this as a time for new courses to get to know each other and their teacher and for continuing classes to hit the reset button and reflect on what worked (and didn't) during the first half of the year and what students can expect for the second half of the year. *Individualized schedules for this day will be sent out to students by the end of next week.*

Start of Q3 – The 3rd quarter will officially begin on Wednesday, February 3rd with all students following their Q3 schedule.

Q2 Report Cards – Q2 Report Cards will be emailed out to students and families on Friday, February 5th. Please note that while there are no student-led conferences this quarter, families are always welcome to reach out to individual teachers or their child's advisor if they have any questions about their child's report card grades.

Q3 Advisory – During the 3rd quarter, and starting on February 10th, all iSchool advisories will be spending their Wednesday advisory sessions participating in an Equity Film Festival. The NYC iSchool Gender Sexuality Alliance, Women's Social Justice, and Black Student Union clubs, along with the NYC iSchool Equity Team are planning these sessions. More details about these workshops will be shared in the next couple of weeks.

NEWS & REMINDERS...

- **Need a tutor?** If you are interested in having one of our amazing and brilliant alum tutor your child, please complete the [NYC iSchool Alumni Tutor Request form](#)
- **Remote Learning Device Update:** As you may have already heard, the city is purchasing an additional 100,000 LTE-enabled iPads for the DOE to distribute to schools for remote and blended learning. While the estimated timeline for delivery of these devices is the next 8–10 weeks, families who still need a device should fill out the [Remote Learning Device \(RLD\) Request Form](#), if they have not yet done so.
- **Mental Health Resource:** The education of our students is certainly important to us, but so is their mental health. Our amazing Guidance Counselors, Ms. Almonte and Ms. Colon, have created a Counseling Google Classroom: CounselLINK and would like you to join them: <https://classroom.google.com/c/NjQ4NTAzNzYxMjZa?cjc=spgdhad>

Once you are in the Google Classroom you can navigate their classwork tab (they promise it's not classwork) and find many new counseling groups and open counseling sessions.