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Dear YES Prep Families and Community,

This unprecedented time has presented many challenges, and we recognize that supporting your children in their continued learning in the midst of this pandemic has been no small feat. We are inspired by the resilience and resolve that all of you—the families of YES Prep's nearly 14,000 students—have shown as we transformed our entire system to remote learning. We are grateful for all that you are doing to support the success of your children as we finish the 2019-2020 school year in remote learning. We have a few updates and announcements for you below. Thank you for reading this message in its entirety for important details.

## Keep YES Prep Learning: Family Guide Week 7

Week 7 of our virtual distance learning program, "Keep YES Prep Learning," begins next Monday, May 11. A reminder, this program is required for all YES Prep students. Please visit <u>vesprep.org/covid19/academics</u> to view the Week 7 Family Guide! Keep up the good work, students!

#### Graduation 🎓

We have loved celebrating our Seniors this week during the Cap and Gown Pick Up Car Parades! Check out the exciting celebrations covered by <u>ABC 13 News</u>. Be sure to check out your campus social media accounts as well for more videos and photos! We just found out about the city-wide graduation announced by the Mayor for certain school districts and wanted to share that this does not change our commitment to the virtual graduation in May and in person graduation in August that we have planned to celebrate with our seniors and their families. We are looking forward to those unique and exciting celebrations to build off the incredible energy our Class of 2020 brought to the Senior Car Parades and their Senior Signing Day reveals! We will provide more information about what to expect for YES Prep Graduations next week.

#### Grades

Our teachers will be finalizing student grades the week of May 18 Campuses will work the week of May 26th - May 29th to finalize report cards and they will be available in the Home Access Center by 4:00 PM on Friday May 29th. Additionally, your campus will be mailing your student's final report card by Friday June 12th.

# **End of Year Review**

YES Prep will continue to provide engaging activities for all YES Prep students through the end of the academic school year, which officially ends on May 28, 2020. YES Prep campuses will provide virtual end of year opportunities for students to celebrate their accomplishments from the



year and close out with their current grade levels. These events will take place May 26, 27, and 28. Campuses will communicate the exact time of these events next week. The YES Prep Home Office is working with Principals and other campus staff to consider options for students to retrieve belongings from campuses and turn in devices they borrowed for Keep YES Prep Learning. More details will be shared as these options are reviewed and finalized. Please check campus communication channels and social medial for details on events.

### **Summer Credit Recovery**

YES Prep will be offering a Distance Learning Summer Credit Recovery program for any high school student that did not earn a passing grade for a core course during the 2019-2020 School Year. The YES Prep Credit Recovery program will be available for 9th – 12th grade students that need to regain a first semester or second semester core course(s) (Math, English, Social Studies, or Science). Student and families can find out more information about the Credit Recovery Program and how to register by going to the <u>yesprep.org/parents/credit-recovery</u>.

We want to thank you again for trusting us with the responsibility of educating your children. Although each day seems to bring on change in every aspect of our lives, please know that YES Prep continues to make every effort to bring stability to the instructional lives of our students and a spirit of celebration as we wrap up this school year. Last, but not least, we want to wish all mother's a WONDERFUL Mother's Day this Sunday! We hope it's a great day spent with your loved ones.

Thank you