



## RICHMOND COUNTY TECHNICAL CAREER MAGNET SCHOOL

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### RCTCM End-of-the-Year Letter

Greetings White Tiger Parent(s),

Thank you for your patience, flexibility, and support during this time of distance learning. We know that many of you are ready to start your summer break, however we strongly encourage you to carefully consider all your options. Students who are at risk for failing a course must continue coursework until the end of the grading period in order to improve their academic standing.

For students who have met the minimum Magnet requirements, the last day of distance learning assignments/assessments will be May 8th, 2020. RCTCM Teachers will continue to accept work completed during distance learning through May 22, 2020. Any work submitted after March 16th, 2020 will only have a positive impact on a student's grade (please see grade level specifics below).

#### **For RCTCM students in grades 6-8:**

- Work completed during distance learning that improves a student's overall grades may be considered. Students will receive a final grade of PASS or FAIL for their courses based on overall content mastery. A minimum score to receive a passing grade is 70 (calculated from the average of Quarters 1-3 for a yearlong course, or Quarter 3 for a second semester course.) ***Please be reminded that middle school students must maintain a minimum cumulative average of 75% in order to meet magnet requirements.***
- For the 2019-2020 school year, the Richmond County School System will waive its promotion and retention policy. Placement committees made of teachers, principals, and parents will have the flexibility to make placement decisions for students who do not meet traditional promotion criteria.

#### **For RCTCM students completing courses for High School Credit:**

- Teachers will give high school students a choice to accept their grades (calculated from the average of Quarters 1-3 for a yearlong course, or Quarter 3 for a second semester course) as of **March 19th, 2020** as their **final grades** for 2019-2020 or to continue to earn grades for the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year (work accepted through May 22, 2020). Any student wishing to accept their grades as of March 19th, 2020 for a course **MUST** have permission from a parent or guardian communicated to the teacher of record. ***Please be reminded that high school students must receive a passing grade of 70 in each course to meet magnet requirements.***
- High School courses will not have final exams this year; therefore, final exams will not be counted in the final course average.
- Graduating seniors must successfully complete RCTCM Graduation Project.

Again, we thank all RCTCM students and parents for their diligence during this unprecedented time. Please contact your student's teacher, Principal Clark, or Assistant Principal Crawford with any additional questions or concerns. If technology is a barrier, let us know as soon as possible so we can work together to make additional arrangements. Let's continue to embrace change with L.O.V.E. and work together to finish this school year with success.

Melisa Clark  
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