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Greetings Students, Parents, & Guardians:

It's hard to believe that summer vacation is just around the corner, but we are now in the process of planning summer school programs. In order to do so, we need to know how many students to plan for. Summer school for high school students will be a combination of virtual and in-person learning. In order to qualify for summer school, a student must be behind in credits toward graduation. If you are uncertain if this includes you or your student, please reach out to myself or Eric Weedman (contact information listed below).

Summer school program options:

- 1) Fairmont High School is offering a Welding Academy to teach essential welding skills. A student must be in grades 9 through 12. The class will be held at the Fairmont High School: Door 21; June 7-11, 14-18, 21-25 from 8 a.m. to Noon. Students must be committed to attending every day as the class only has room for 20 students.
- 2) Credit Recovery: This is for students who are behind in credits for graduation. Credit recovery means that students will retake course work in classes they have previously failed. Students wishing to participate in this option, must be committed to working independently outside of class in addition to attending in-person to finish course work.
  - a) From June 7th through July 9th, students will be working virtually with teacher support as needed. A teacher will have office hours available and will schedule additional time as needed if a student is unable to connect during office hours. Students MAY finish their course(s) virtually. If they do so, they DO NOT have to attend in-person class in July.
  - b) In-person dates are July 13, 14, 15; 20, 21, 22; 27, 28, 29; from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Students are not required to attend the full five (5) hours if they are unable to do so. However, if the student needs school transportation, transportation will only be available for arrival at 9 a.m. and dismissal at 2 p.m. Students may choose to attend a morning session or an afternoon session if it works better for them and they have transportation available. Students are expected to attend until their course work is completed. Students are expected to have their course work completed by 2 p.m. on Thursday, July 29th. Lunch will be available on site for those who sign up for it.

Students who wish to participate in summer school must be registered by **Wednesday, June 2, 2021**. The Arise Academy office is not staffed everyday in the summer, so we want to make sure that student needs are being met.

If you have any questions regarding summer school options or credit needs, please contact:

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Thank you and enjoy the soon to come warmer weather!

Sincerely,

***S. Schmitz***

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