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To: Families of Baccalieu Collegiate

From: Jeffrey Saxby, Principal

Subject: The Importance of the Final Week of the School Year

Dear Baccalieu Collegiate Families,

As we approach the final stretch of the school year, I wanted to take a moment to emphasize the importance of this last week leading up to June 13, 2024. This period is crucial for our students to finish strong academically and to solidify their learning across all subjects.

Importance of Attendance and Engagement

Regular attendance and active participation are vital during these closing weeks. Many courses are still progressing through important curriculum material, and students' presence in the classroom ensures they receive the full breadth of instruction and support they need.

Ongoing Curriculum and Culminating Assessments

For many subjects, we are in the midst of critical learning phases:

- **Ongoing Instruction:** Several courses are continuing with content and assessment that are foundational for students' future academic success. Missing these lessons can create gaps in understanding and preparedness for next year's studies.
- **Culminating Projects and Assessments:** Other courses are focusing on final projects and assessments that require students to demonstrate their cumulative knowledge and skills. These projects are designed to encapsulate the learning objectives of the entire course and are significant components of their final grades.

Validating and Completing Learning

Some courses have completed their formal curriculum, but the learning doesn't stop there. Teachers and students are collaborating on:

- **Review and Validation:** Reinforcing and validating the learning that has taken place throughout the year. This process helps ensure that students have a solid grasp of the material and are prepared for future academic challenges. Students must be present for this.
- **Completing Outstanding Work:** Students in need are provided time and support to finalize applicable outstanding assignments and seek clarification on topics they may find challenging. This time is invaluable for resolving any academic issues and ensuring students are on track for success.

Supporting Your Child

We kindly ask for your support in encouraging your child to:

- Attend all remaining classes punctually.
- Stay engaged and participate actively in all classroom activities.
- Communicate with their teachers if they need additional help or clarification on any subject matter.

***Please note that the deadline to complete outstanding assignments is limited to most current learning objectives and there is no guarantee missing work transcends past terms or even past units. While this is based on teacher discretion and the type of learning assignment, all learning must be visible and validated. Please do not assume learning can be completed at home and without guidance. The best way to approach support for your child is to ensure they attend school and work under the communication and guidance of their instructors.

Your involvement and encouragement play a significant role in your child's educational journey. By working together, we can help our students finish the school year with confidence and a sense of accomplishment.

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation. If you have any questions or need further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Warm regards,

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