



# INNOVATION HS

*A Newsletter to keep you updated during COVID-19 quarantine*

## A MESSAGE FROM TERENCE

Innovation Online is live! Shifting our amazing classes, student and family supports, and operations into a virtual community was not easy, but it is happening successfully. During the first extraordinary eight days, almost 400 students signed into class, 170 laptops were distributed and 500 outreach phone calls were made to families and students, so everyone understood how to participate in our online community.

We could not do it without your support, outreach, and roles at home ensuring your students have the internet devices, study time, and necessary communication with their teachers. I appreciate our amazing staff, who, in a matter of days, transformed their classrooms into digital learning spaces, and our IT, counseling, family engagement and other teams who have gone out of their way to support all aspects of creating our online learning community

## THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

- Our building is closed until at least April 20, 2020, per NYC DOE
- No student will be able to access the building during this time
- A parent in the building, attending another school, has tested positive for coronavirus
- Regular disinfecting is under way in the building
- Our online classes have started and all students should have their schedules
- Students are expected to virtually attend all classes and complete the tasked assignments as well
- Spring Break is April 9 - 17th, 2020
- Our Enrollment Lottery is taking place on April 7, 2020, we are still accepting applications



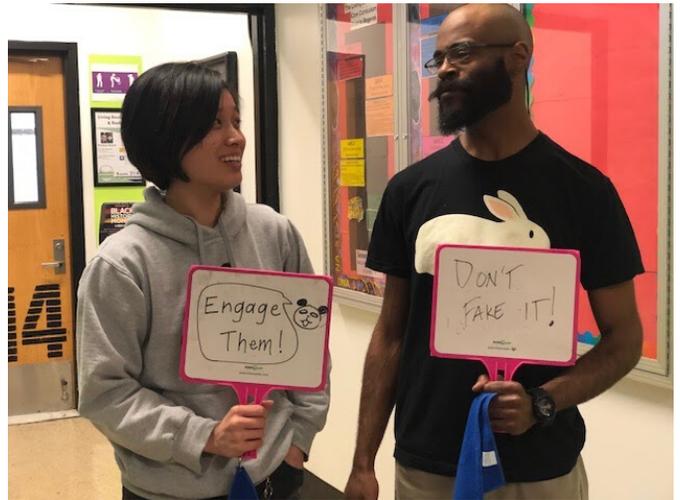
## NEED A COMPUTER?

If you need assistance with laptops and/wifi access please contact: [digitalresources@innovationhighschool.org](mailto:digitalresources@innovationhighschool.org) or call the Main Office at 212 722 5871 to order the necessary equipment. When emailing, please include the name of the student and what services you need (i.e. computer, wifi, etc). We will follow up with you on a distribution plan afterwards.

# A LOOK INTO THE CLASSROOM - JOANN & QUINCY, 9TH GRADE ALGEBRA

“I think we are very in tune with how the other person is feeling. When I walk into work, Q can see my face and know what's up. And vice versa. We help each other out. We are honest with each other's deficits. We aid each other. We're both gross people and we're open about our grossness! We just vibe.

Our similarities in how we approach life are the same and that supports our sometimes 'different' work ethic. We're really silly and we like that about each other. That's honestly really helped us to be good co teachers to one another.” -Jo & Q



## GET TO KNOW A WARRIOR

There are so many amazing people in our Innovation community who are always so busy doing great things. Because of that, we often forget to praise them and get to know them. This will be a space to fix that.

If you would like to recommend someone to be highlighted here, please email [pablo.torres@innovationhighschool.org](mailto:pablo.torres@innovationhighschool.org) with a blurb and super flattering picture so that we can include it here.

This person can be a staff member, a student, parent, community member, etc.



# OTHER RESOURCES

The NYC Charter Center has compiled a list of resources and communications from government agencies and education institutions in an effort to provide clarity and support during the evolving COVID-19 crisis.

Their COVID-19 Resource Center provides up-to-date information and important documents, as well as educational resources, to school leadership teams make informed decisions for their school community.

A lot of the information would also be useful to the school community in general

For more information, visit [www.nyccharterschools.org](http://www.nyccharterschools.org)



# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

This is space for you to engage with us. We hope that the rest of the newsletter answers the big questions, this space is for questions like "how do I get my schedule", or "what do I do if I forget my powerschool password"? So send in those questions to: [pablo.torres@innovationhighschool.org](mailto:pablo.torres@innovationhighschool.org)

## **How do I get my schedule?**

Since we brought that up, here is the answer. You email Emily at [emily.bierwirth@innovationhighschool.org](mailto:emily.bierwirth@innovationhighschool.org) or [counseling@innovationhighschool.org](mailto:counseling@innovationhighschool.org)



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