



Dear Roger Clap Families,

While our learning community continues both in-person and remotely - we were excited to welcome back more students and have a consistent 5-day schedule begin this week! We continue to appreciate your ongoing support and partnership as our staff thoughtfully and creatively plan for engaging learning experiences.

This email includes:

- Reminders about in-person learning
- Upcoming May events for our Roger Clap Community
- Free Summer Learning Programs

*Reminders about in-person learning*

- **Complete a [daily home health checklist](#) before your child heads to school**
- **Families must [sign a consent form](#) in order to participate in Free COVID-19 Testing:** Every BPS student learning in-person is eligible for free, confidential weekly COVID-19 testing at their school. The test used is a gentle swab in the front of the nose. Students in grades 2+ will perform the swab themselves, if able. Help us keep the BPS community safe! To learn more, [watch this video](#). **Online Consent Forms** [English](#) | [Español](#) | [العربية](#) | [Cabo-Verdiano](#) | [中文](#) | [Français](#) | [Kreyòl Ayisyen](#) | [Português](#) | [Soomaali](#) | [Tiếng Việt](#)

*Upcoming events for our Roger Clap Community*

- **Monday, May 3 from 6-7pm** - School Site Council: Share your voice about ways to celebrate the end of the school year, learn about hiring updates and provide feedback about the shift to the 5-day schedules! [Zoom Link](#)
- **Thursday, May 4 from 9:45-10:20am** - Town Hall about Perseverance with a Special Guest Speaker [Zoom Link](#)
- **Monday, May at 10am** -Virtual School Wide Assembly with [Young Audiences Shaw Pong Liu: Painting the River](#) - The Art of Chinese Writing: Discovering the Art of Chinese Writing Through Interactive Music and Drawing. In a vivid sonic and visual journey, Shaw Pong invites listeners to draw pictures as she performs Chinese and original music on the violin and erhu. Following each song and creative drawing, Liu shares the visual history of each Chinese character based on the same subject - river, rower, and horse - showing how each character evolved from an ancient drawing over thousands of years, and giving students the chance to practice writing themselves.
- **Friday, May 15 or Saturday, May 15** - As we deepen our partnerships to infuse more movement and dance programming, consider joining us for this special opportunity with Abilities Dance Boston. Abilities Dance Boston presents **Firebird ballet live streamed** from the Wimberly Theatre on May 14 + 15 at 8:00 pm, disabled and nondisabled artists from across the country will infuse their artistry into this innovative ballet. Free tickets for the Roger Clap community can be found here: <https://ticketstripe.com/adbfirebird2021> (click "Free tickets for any who need it")

- **Schoolwide Opportunity for BOTH in-person and remote students for the end of May**- Join [Navigation Games](#) and Roger Clap Staff for a social distant safe event at Moakley Park! Date: TBD.

*FREE Summer Learning Opportunities for Students*

Boston Public Schools is currently identifying students for summer learning opportunities based on student support needs in ELA, math, science, and social emotional learning as well as interest from families. Families will be able to rank their summer learning program choices by May 15. For details by program, visit <https://www.bostonpublicschools.org/Page/6667>. Once the application goes live, you will be able to click the "Apply Now" link to start the application. Please reach out to your children's teachers or Ms. Dunbar, our Instructional Coach ([sfoster3@bostonpublicschools.org](mailto:sfoster3@bostonpublicschools.org)) if you have any questions.

Thank you for your continued partnership. We look forward to seeing you - in-person or remotely at one of the many events we have for our community in May!

With gratitude,

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