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**OFFICE OF SPECIAL PROGRAMS**  
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**Ridgewood, New Jersey**

Happy June to All!

I can't imagine anyone who isn't excited about the potential of this summer! I know that all of us who support our students with disabilities have been so very committed and dedicated and I hope that all will benefit from good summer days ahead.

Before we exit the school year, I wanted to take an opportunity to thank our families and staff and remind everyone of the good that we were able to accomplish throughout this incredible year. We were active participants in developing and maintaining healthy school procedures. We were able to continue to provide and extend our in-person special education instructional time, offer increased social emotional resources, present through LSHSA on a variety of special education topics, and invest in meaningful professional development for our staff. We piloted and chose a new preschool curriculum and added additional curriculum resource tools throughout other grade levels. We successfully opened our STEPSS 18-21 program, planned to transition from NOVA to our own district PERL program for students with emotional regulation needs, and further extended our Unified Club program offering greater extracurricular opportunities.

Our plans over the summer include oversight of our summer ESY and special education programs and services, updating our website and other community resources and communication, and continuing professional development and being a part of the district-wide plans for re-entry in September.

Our CST and SPO staff will be checking in throughout the summer, however, many will not be here on a daily, regular basis. I encourage you to communicate with us if you need our assistance during the summer months by contacting the Special Programs Office by emailing [sp-summer@ridgewood.k12.nj.us](mailto:sp-summer@ridgewood.k12.nj.us).

In closing, congratulations to all our students! May it be a happy, safe, and enjoyable summer for you all! Please be sure to take time as a family to talk, play, read and share together!

All our best,

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