On the topic of current events, I watched the news on TV a lot to stay updated on what was going on in the world. Every morning when I woke up and walked into the living room, I’d see Governor Cuomo on the TV discussing New York’s progress in getting back to normal, or at least to the point where people can actually go places again.

I also checked the NY Forward website to see how my specific area was doing. I’m from Long Island, which is more densely populated, so it took us a little bit longer than the other regions of NY to reopen!

Because of social distancing, we had to get creative with my friend’s birthday party, so we built a scale model of his house and backyard in Minecraft. There was even a virtual concert for our friend’s band!

Also, my brother graduated high school! The ceremony was a drive-in where we sat in the parking lot at the beach and watched a slideshow on a giant screen. We honked and cheered for my brother!

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When I first found out that New York was
gong virtual, I was actually excited. I
thought this picture of my class might show what
closure looks like.

Instead of in person is NOT easy!

class over zoom, backboard or whiteboard!

media during a time of crisis.

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