**Question Corner: What represents spring to you?**

Bees from my beehive starting to forage the early growth in my year: dandelions, buttercups, etc. It makes me so happy to see them buzzing around!
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Warming temperatures and blooming flowers.
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Spring represents starting something new rather it is you taking better care of yourself and your health beginning to explore new places like the beach or parks also spring cleaning blessing someone with an item that they could really use to make room for the new just to name a few.
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Sunshine, flowers budding, color and enhanced smells of the season.
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Life! The blooming of all the flowers and bright colors.
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Spring represents a time of growth and new beginnings. A time to bloom and show the world your colors. Its a time for change and a time prepare for things to come. Just like planting a seedling, as the plant grows, it becomes stronger and brighter and bears fruit to nourish. Just as training prepares you for the future and nourishes your brain. You become skilled and ready for advancement.
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Spring represents a re-birth in everything. Ranging from the renewed colors of leaves on the trees, to a return or warmer and brighter days, to the re-emergence of animals returning from hibernation. The spring season allows each of us to re-invent ourselves educationally, with a renewed vigor and fervor in our professional lives. There is no status quo in education, so instead of seemingly going stagnant, we can re-acclimate ourselves in a learning process to better serve the customers for the State of New Jersey.

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The best represents of spring to me is the flowers, nice 70's degrees weather, Easter ( Dinner, Candy, Bunny).
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Spring is the time to get out of the house and get your hands dirty preparing the garden and flower bed for many new varieties of plants that will be enjoyed all summer. These will be enjoyed by not just for eating but also as a great view as my wife and I sit in our backyard deck relaxing and admiring our hard work.
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flowers blooming, the smell of fresh cut grass, the warmth of the sun on my face, and the sound of the crack of a baseball bat
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When I look out my office window and notice less building tops, as the tree tops are starting to bloom in spring flowers and green leaves.
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birds chirping during sunrise
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Spring is a season to which I eagerly await. Even though I'm sneezing most of the time, I still love the extra energy that comes from not having to fight tiredness. Blooming flowers, long evenings to go for a walk, meeting new people and spend more quality time outside are all things that spring brings.
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The evening sound of frogs chirping by the water and early dandelions blooming to feed the honey bees.
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Greenery.
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The soothing sound of Mourning Doves cooing in the early morning sunrise. The serenity of the grass embracing life with renewal and growth. The peaceful colors of Spring are my "peace"....
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Crocus and Lilacs represent spring to me. Ever since I can remember, our first sign to be able to say spring arrived was the coming of usually purple closely followed by yellow crocus bulbs. We'd search daily to find them in the yard. Then would come the lilacs. Our lilac "Bush" was about 20 feet tall at the tallest point and about the same wide. It had lovely purple Lilac's that would bloom with the lilac fragrance which is to me the fragrance of spring. Limited they are in producing as by springs end they end also. Then coming in are the honeysuckle.
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The warblers showing up in NJ in their bright spring plumage.
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Being able to go for a hike in the warmer weather.
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Birds chirping flamboyantly, rainfall that leaves tropical pastures, the aroma of morning rain and beautiful clear skies, sometimes invisible under mighty gray clouds, all of that is Spring to my heart.
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The days getting longer, the weather getting warmer, and my Birthday in April!

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Blooming flowers/greenery around me/more daylight

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the lilacs blooming in my front yard
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This year, it's the 8 million tulips blooming at Holland Ridge Farms.
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The scents in the air: fresh cut grass, rain, flowers...
Lisa Kimball

This is the season where things are brought back to life; trees, plants, flowers rebloom, insects and bugs live and procreate, and people come out of hibernation and rejuvenate. Spring means life blooms and reblooms. It's like another chance at life.

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Spring represents new beginnings, a fresh start, and the ability to forgive the past and move forward towards the strong spring light!

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All of the budding flowers and plants that are starting to come back to life after a long winter's nap.
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Rebirth represents spring to me. The blooming of grandmom's daffodils and narcissus in my garden. The lavender twist redbud tree in my backyard blooms in its annual show of deep pink blossoms. Celebrating the joy of Easter heralds the beginning of the season.

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Spring represents new beginnings. The explosion of life and color that occurs in nature.

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Natural beauty, bees, and allergies. Flowers! It's time to grow and start new things.

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Spring represents the several symbols and signs all centered around energy, renewal, love and warmth. It is a great time for meeting new people and trying new things, discovering yourself and moulding into someone new.

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Spring is when the flowers bloom, the bunnies return to under my shed, the garden in the morning is filled with the sounds of bees buzzing and birds chirping, and I can throw open my windows and let the fragrant breezes waft through the house.

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The appearance of wildlife "babies" and the blooming of flowers and trees :)  

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Flowers in bloom  
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The birth of new flowers, and new experiences, represents spring to me.  
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Seeing the trees start to bloom signals the start of Spring for me!

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