

## **Peekskill City School District** A System Focused on Every Student; Every Day

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Dear Hillcrest Families,

It is my sincere hope that you are enjoying these lazy, hazy days of summer since before you know it, those infamous Staples ads will be here and September will roll on in! We - our secretarial staff, custodial staff, and myself- have been busy getting the building in order, preparing for the return of our students.

As part of the transition from one grade to the next, your child was given a summer reading list and I hope that he/she is spending some time *reading daily*. Like all skills, reading requires practice. In order to safeguard against the dreaded *Summer Slide*, students need to make the choice to read often throughout the summer months. Our Summer Reading list is posted on our website, along with our school supply list – in case the dog ate it or it got wet at the beach :-) As you "catch" your child reading, please try to take a picture to capture the moment and send it in to me – the more unique the better! My e-mail is jliburd@peekskillcsd.org

We will be sending your child's placement letter, along with our important information. There will be forms included that need to be completed and returned to the school office. Please remember that a new lunch form must be completed each school year as well as abus compact form. My welcome letter has been written, our envelopes are stuffed, and will be mailed out the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of August.

I will be taking a brief vacation now that much of the work has been done to get us ready for September and our new and returning students. Please feel free to call me, stop by, or send an e-mail. I'm looking forward to another great year working in service to you and your child!

Always Jocqueline Liburd

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