



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

*The Mission of the Peekskill City School District is to educate students in a caring, inspiring environment characterized by a spirit of excellence and high expectations; prepare graduates to meet or exceed standards; graduate students who respect and appreciate cultural diversity; and prepare students to pursue adult lives as contributing citizens of our local and global community.*

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Dear Peekskill Middle School Students and Families,

We've just completed another great year of engaging and purposeful instruction, responsible and accountable learning and achievement, friendship, and intellectual, personal, and social growth.

Hopefully, you are enjoying the great weather, taking some time for YOU, and in the process of expanding your minds and experiences.

You all worked very diligently last year to meet the ever-growing social and academic expectations. Our staff continued to instruct with intense and ongoing professional development guiding their work and will do the same this upcoming school year. We have also increased educational opportunities for our students.

As we prepare for this school year, please remember our expectations relative to ALL STUDENTS being responsible and accountable for **DOING THE WORK** and prepared and present for each school day. **Toward that end, please be sure to contact the main office should you need to purchase a school shirt. As a reminder, school shirts are to be worn Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. On Friday, students are free to wear an appropriate shirt of their choosing. If students chose to bring cell phones with them to school, the cell phones will remain in their lockers and not on their person during the school day. If we see the phones, students will get a reminder to place them in their locker. After that, they will be confiscated and returned at the end of the day and or to a parent.**

We are excited about the 2016-2017 school year as we have a great deal of surprises and exciting instruction and learning on the horizon.

The Middle School is truly at the peak of excellence and will reach new heights this school year.

I will send a back-to-school letter in mid-August.

Enjoy the rest of your summer and we will see you in September where we will **DO THE WORK** as we keep in mind who we are and what we want to become.

Sincerely,

Jamal Lewis  
Principal