



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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I am saddened by the unfortunate incident involving our players that occurred at Saturday evening's basketball game at Tappan Zee High School. On behalf of our school district, I can tell you this behavior does not in any way represent our school system, students or community, and that such actions will not be tolerated by our District. The safety and security of our players and fans is paramount, and we are thankful that the situation was diffused and that local staff and police were able to step in and handle the matter. Our coaches and district administration are currently in communication regarding the examination of the facts leading up to this incident and once this investigation is complete, we will respond firmly, swiftly and fairly. It is disappointing that our girls' successful season will be overshadowed by this incident. The players who were not involved deserve more than that. Across the board, our student athletes are admirable players that embody the ideals of good sportsmanship, and I hope others will not take the actions of a few to define us as a whole.

Respectfully,

Dr. David Fine
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