



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.

Mr. Jamal Lewis,
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Dear Peekskill Middle School Students and Families,

It is summertime and I am hopeful that you are having a great time, resting, and still expanding your minds and experiences.

We successfully completed another year of accountable learning and achievement, friendship, intellectual, personal, and social growth, and engaging instruction.

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 present, prepared, responsible, and accountable for each school day. Also, look our school website for your **grade-specific supply list** <https://www.peekskillcsd.org/domain/802> and your **summer reading project** <https://www.peekskillcsd.org/cms/lib/NY01913880/Centricity/Domain/672/2017%20Summer%20Reading%20Project.pdf>.

As a reminder and in order for us to be fully engaged in each day's learning and nothing distracting our goals, please be sure that students **LEAVE ALL ELECTRONIC DEVICES HOME**. **These devices result in undesired student-to-student and adult-to-student interactions. If students chose to bring cell phones (and electronic devices) with them to school, they are to remain in their lockers and not on their person during the school day. If we see the electronic devices, they will be confiscated and an adult must come and collect them from administration.**

We are excited about the upcoming work and learning and want everyone to have an immensely successful and enjoyable school year. *Get ready for greatness!*

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

Enjoy the rest of your summer.

Sincerely,

Jamal Lewis
Principal