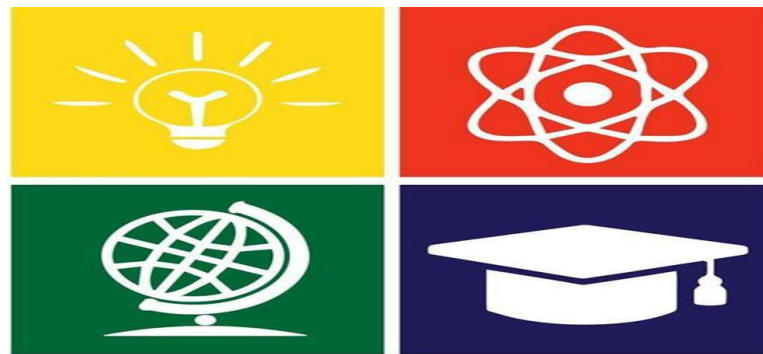


Peekskill High School 9th Grade

Spring Parents' Night

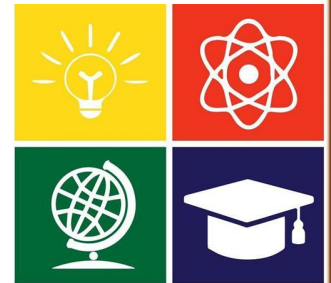
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Tonight Topics

- **PHS Highlights**
- **Course Selection**
 - **2019–2020 school year**
 - **NCAA**
 - **Mercy College STEP**
- **Transition to Sophomore Year**
- **Regents Exams**
- **Understanding PSAT and the National Merit Scholarship**
- **Naviance / Family Connection**
- **End of the year procedures**



Who are we?

Administration:

- Mr. Arthur - School Principal
- Dr. Daniels - Assistant Principal
- Dr. Ferris - Assistant Principal
- Mrs. Smith Moore - Assistant Principal
- Mr. Toro - Freshman Academy Assistant Principal

Clinical Staff:

- Ms. Bean - School Social Worker
- Ms. Brown - School Psychologist
- Mr. Olmstead - School Psychologist

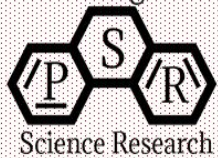
Who are we?

Counselors:

- **Ms. Torres -**
 - Freshman Academy
- **Ms. Ellis -**
 - 10th Grade: A - H
 - 11th Grade: A - G
 - 12th Grade: A - G
- **Ms. Rios - Chairperson**
 - 10th Grade: I - Q
 - 11th Grade: H - R
 - 12th Grade: H - Q
- **Ms. Bishop -**
 - 10th Grade: R - Z
 - 11th Grade: S - Z
 - 12th Grade: R - Z
 - PACE/RISE
- **Mr. Cabassa -**
 - ENL Students
 - Summit Academy
 - Out of District Placement

PHS Robotics Competition





Peekskill Science Research (PSR) Program information



College and High School Credit

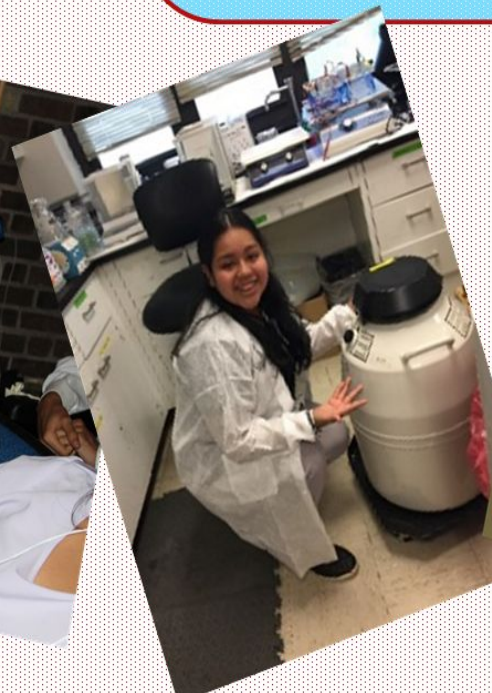
- PSR Program provides research methods courses via the University of Albany.
- Students may earn up to **twelve college credits**, over three years!
- Students earn one science credit for each of the three years in the program

Summer Research

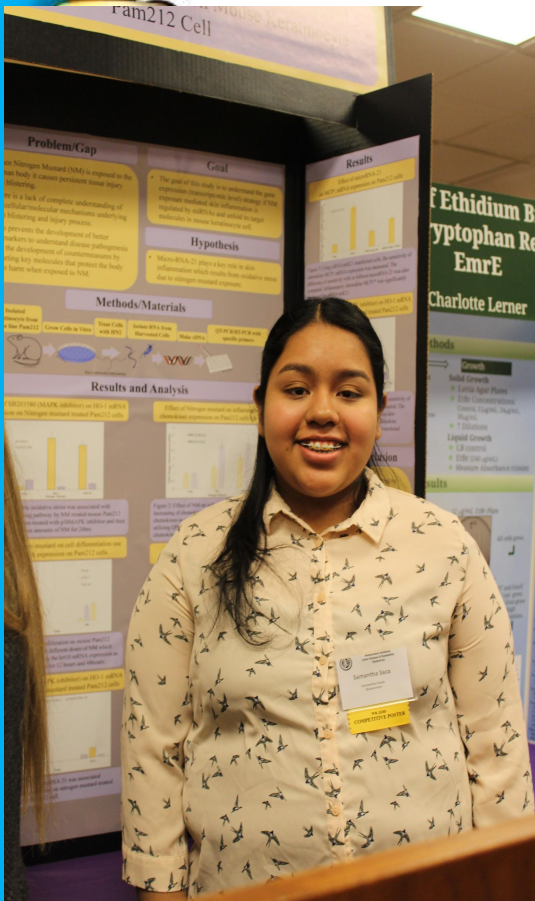
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Symposium and Science Fairs

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PSR Project Presentations

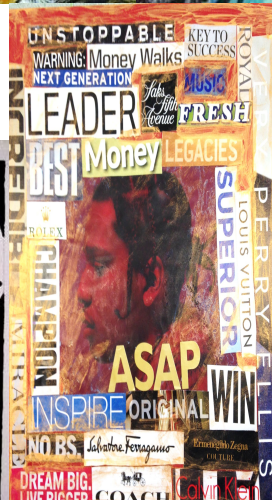
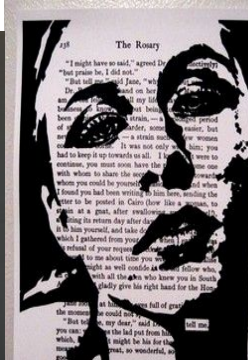


Art/Music Department

- Creative Crafts
- Studio in Art
- Sculpture
- Printmaking
- Advanced Art 1
- Advanced Art 2
- Intro to Dance
- Advanced Dance



- Music in our Lives
- Mixed Chorus
- Select Chorus - City Singers
- Guitar 1
- Guitar 2 (College Prep)
- Music Technology
- Concert Band
- Drama



Important Information

- ▶ 14 Weeks left for the 2018–2019 School Year
- ▶ 3rd Quarter Progress Reports: March 15th
- ▶ 3rd Quarter ends: April 12th
- ▶ Student's Grades:
 - **Parent Portal:** Monitor your child's grades
 - Elton Brand
 - Callback
- ▶ Communication:
 - Important to communicate with your child's teachers/counselor if you have a question or concern

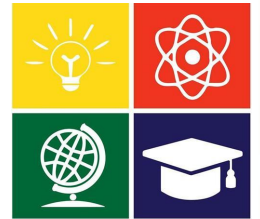
Important Information

- ▶ Attendance/Lateness:
 - School starts at 8:10am
- ▶ Student ID Cards:
 - All students are required to wear their ID on their person at all times
 - Replacement ID's have a cost \$3 which can be paid to the Main Office
- ▶ Honor Roll Celebration: Friday, March 8th @ 7:40am
 - High Honor Roll: 90+ in all classes with no failures
 - Honor Roll: 85+ in all classes with no failures

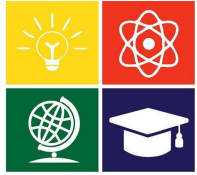
School Motto:

***Building Bridges of
Excellence***

For Every Student, Every Day



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Course Selection

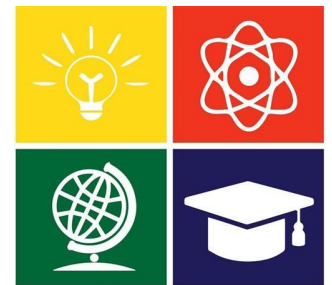
2019–2020 School Year

- To move on to the 10th grade a student needs 5.5 credits
- Teachers will make course selection recommendations
- Students meet with school counselors to select electives
- Course selections and transcripts get mailed home
- Honors/AP/College level courses

Course Selection

Sophomore's Sample Schedule

- English 10
- Social Studies
- Math
- Science
- Science Lab/ PE
- Spanish 2
- Lunch
- Elective
- Health



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PEEKSKILL HIGH SCHOOL ELECTIVES COURSE SELECTION SHEET

Name _____

Counselor _____

Grade _____

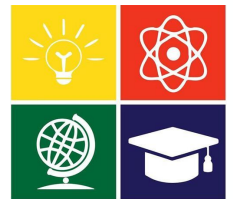
Please Circle Choices			
Science		English	
• 313A	Peekskill Science Res. Year 1	• 104AD	SUNY African Diaspora
• 326	S.T.E.M. Principles of Eng.	Art	
Social Studies		• 601	Studio in Art
• 204ENT	Entrepreneurship Economics	• 608	Creative Crafts
• 204SUT	Start-up Tech	• 610	Printmaking
• 205	Psychology	• 611	Sculpture
• 206	Sociology	• 615	Digital Photography
• 229	SUNY Latin American & Caribbean	Business	
• 240	SUNY Classism, Racism and Sexism	• 720	Business Computer Applications
• 220	Yearbook	• 721	Sports Entertainment Management
Physical Education			
• 905	Intro to Fitness & Dance		
Drama			
• 108	Intro to Drama I		
Technology			
• CTE 107	Robotics		
• CTE 108	Broadband Academy		
Music			
• 650	Music in our Lives		
• 651	Concert Band		
• 655	Mixed Chorus		
• 657	Intro to Guitar Theory		
• 660	Musical Tech. & Digital Recording		
OC21 Online Courses		Elective Course Selection (In order of preference)	
•	Choice or Destiny - Ms. Kellam	1	_____
• OC2183	Beyond Mindfulness	2	_____
•	Adventures In Programming	3	_____
•	Brain Games		
• OC2178	Fake News and Other Hot Topics		
• OC2182	Zero to Sixty: Writing		
•	Sports Management		
•	Intro. to Anthropology--Ms. Courtney		
• OC2188	You Are What You Eat: The Truth Behind Our Food		

Course Selection Dates

- March: teachers started making course recommendations
- March – April: school counselors reviews process with students and works with students to make elective selections
- May –Early June: course selections are mailed home

Thoughtful Course Selection

- Colleges and universities value careful course selection.
- Colleges appreciate students who challenge themselves in rigorous and demanding courses.
- Each selection conveys a message to a future admissions team.
- Use electives to explore your interests or to fortify your knowledge base.
- Mercy College Rep



Transition to Sophomore Year

➤ To move on to the 10th grade students will need **5.5 credits**

➤ Most Freshman will be taking **2 NYS Regents exams in June** which are **Living Environment, and Algebra or Geometry.**

➤ Students in the **Pre AP World course** will be taking the **AP exam next May 2020.**

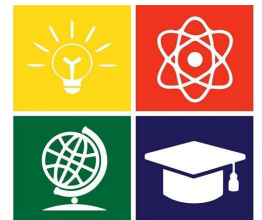
➤ Earning the course credit entails the 4 quarters and a 5th quarter (10%) which is the Regents or the final exam.

PHS Exam Schedule Regents June 2019

June 3 MONDAY	June 18 TUESDAY	June 19 WEDNESDAY	June 20 THURSDAY	June 21 FRIDAY	June 24 MONDAY [Ⓢ]	June 25 TUESDAY	June 26 WEDNESDAY
8:00 a.m.	8:00 a.m.	8:00 a.m.	8:00 a.m.	8:00 a.m.	8:00 a.m.	8:00 a.m.	RATING DAY
Global History & Geography II (New Framework)*	U.S. History & Government	English Language Arts	Transition Exam in Global History & Geography	Geometry	[Ⓢ] World Language Assessment suggested date/time: Locally developed Checkpoint A Exam	Physical Setting/ Chemistry	
	12:00 p.m.	12:00 p.m.	12:00 p.m.	12:00 p.m.	12:00 p.m.	12:00 p.m.	
	Living Environment	Algebra I	Physical Setting/ Earth Science	Algebra II	[Ⓢ] World Language Assessment suggested date/time: Locally developed Checkpoint B Exam	Physical Setting/ Physics	
							<u>Uniform Admission Deadlines</u> Morning Examinations: 10:00 a.m. Afternoon Examinations: 2:00 p.m.

Regents Information

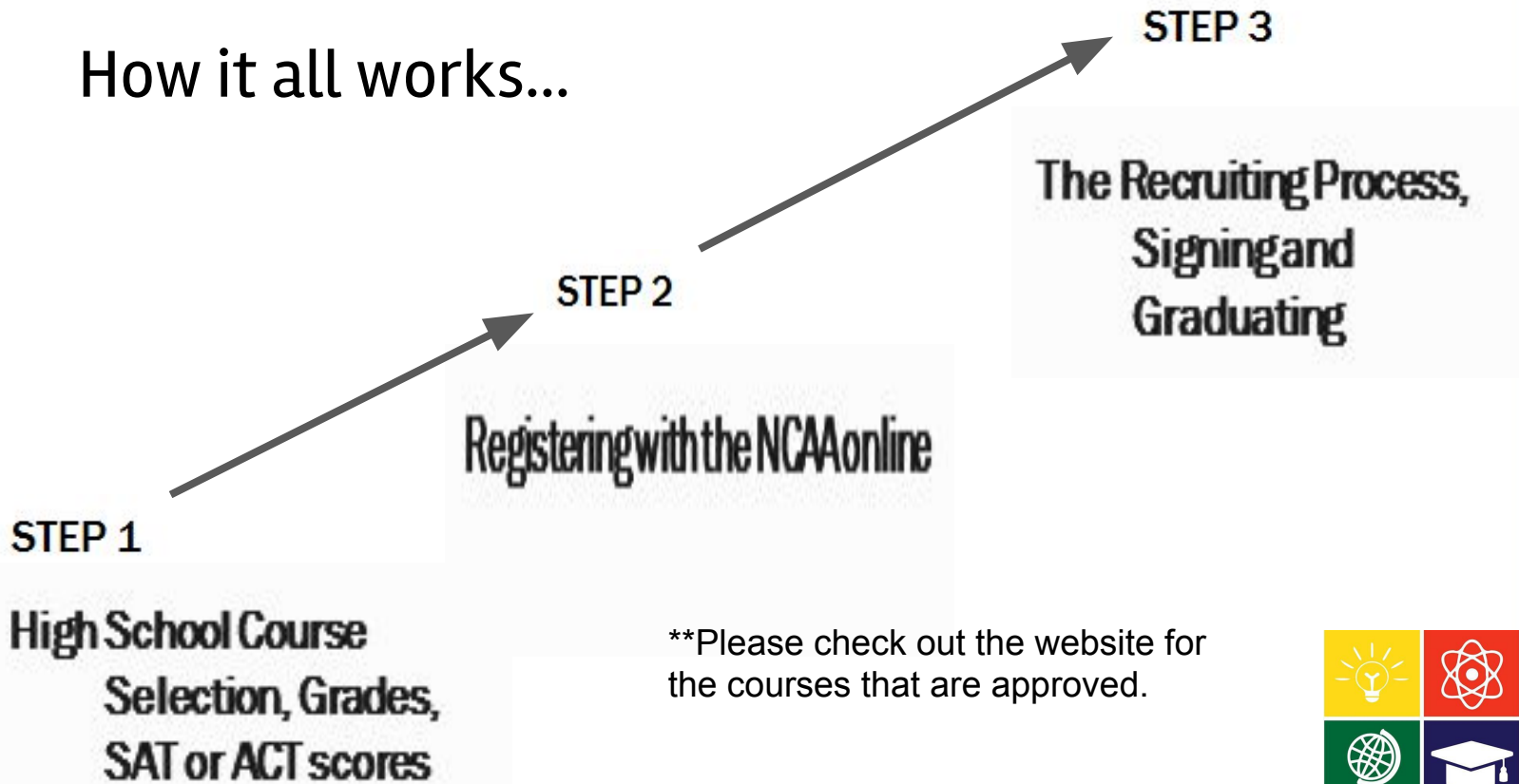
- Regents prep will start for students in **April**
 - Tuesday/Thursday: 3:15 pm – 4:45 pm
 - PHS teachers at PHS
- **Last day of classes: Thursday, June 13th**
- **Final Exam Dates:**
 - **Friday, June 14th & Monday, June 17th**
- If your child does not have a Regents exam, they are **NOT** to report to school.



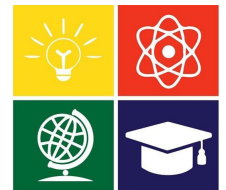
NCAA Requirements

National Collegiate Athletic Association

How it all works...



**Please check out the website for the courses that are approved.



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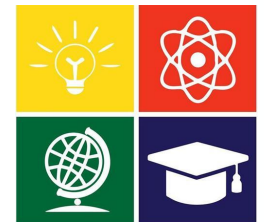


MERCY College STEP Science & Technology Entry Program

- **Free to all students**
- **Recruit students from 7th to 10th grade ONLY**
- **Peekskill High School Liaison- Mrs. Smith Moore**
- **Students get the opportunity to attend Saturday workshops, conferences, and college fairs:**
 - **Saturday workshops are usually held twice a month (alternate between a Math day and Science Day. Students have the opportunity to sign up for a hands-on activity to participate in during each Saturday workshop).**
 - **Conferences include the Statewide STEP Conference in the Spring Semester (March),**
 - **Career Day Conference (February), and Boys and Girls Conference (April).**

PSAT Results

- Accessing your online score report. **(Students Name and Students email address)**
- Understanding and interpreting your score report.
 - Score Range – 160 to 760 (Reading and Writing)
 - Score Range – 160 to 760 (Math)
 - Combined Score – 320 to 1520
- Using PSAT scores to prepare for the SAT.
- Qualification for the National Merit Scholarship is two year away.
- Planning + Preparation = Success!



The National Merit Scholarship

- Only Juniors are eligible to compete for the National Merit Scholarship. Please note the eligibility noted on the score report does not indicate that you are a NMS candidate.
- Cut off scores vary state to state and year to year.
- In September of senior year qualified students will be notified of their selection status as either Commended or Semifinalists.

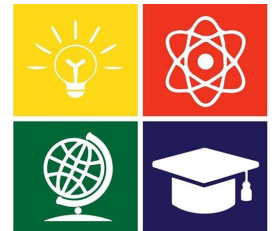
National Merit Scholars

- National Merit Scholars are students who score in the top 1% of all test takers.
- National Merit Scholars are eligible to compete for a wide range of scholarships.
- Several schools offer “free ride” scholarships for National Merit Scholars.
- Students who achieve National Merit Scholarship recognition enjoy a slight edge in the college admissions process.

Khan Academy

➤ Free online preparation for PSAT, SAT, ACT

<https://www.khanacademy.org>



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Naviance Family Connection

- Career Planning
 - Learning Style Inventory, Interest Inventory, Personality Inventory, Resume Building
- College Planning
 - College Search, College Major Exploration, Scholarship/Financial Aid Resources, Maintain College List, and Community Service
- Success Planning
 - Personalized Goals and Tasks, Journal Entries, Student Planner



NAVIANCE
Family Connection

Login Steps for Naviance

Step 1: Go to www.peakskillcsd.org.

Step 2: Click on the Student tab.

Step 3: On the drop down, click on Counseling Department.

Step 4: Look at the left hand toolbar under Counseling Department and click on Naviance.

Step 5: Click on Visit Naviance Here.

Step 6: Enter your username and password.

Step 7: Check your email messages for important information.

Step 8: Explore the tabs and get familiar with using the program.

College

Your college applications begin in the 9th grade!

- Maintain good grades;
- Take challenging classes;
- Join extracurricular activities;
- Volunteer!

Questions

