

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 City School District Community,

It was a great honor to formally accept the Board of Education's recommendation on July 6 to lead the Peekskill City School District for the 2017-2018 school year. For those of you who may not know this about me, I started my teaching career in Peekskill in 1984 at Hillcrest Annex, also known as Park Street School. After nineteen years of teaching special education, I became the Director at the Uriah Hill Early Childhood Center in 2003, and later the Principal at Woodside School and then at Oakside School. My experience as a teacher and building leader, along with my role as Assistant Superintendent for Elementary Education for the past three years, has provided the experience necessary for my newest role.

It is important to know that I am committed to each and every child in the district. I believe that every child holds within themselves the ability to be whatever they choose and to achieve whatever they dream. Our job as educators is to nurture children's abilities and dreams. It is our job to teach children to be competent and confident learners. We need everyone to help our children succeed. You can do this by getting involved in the school and in the community. Please come to our events and volunteer in our schools and then share your experiences with us. Please feel free to share your expectations and hopes for the 2017- 2018 school year by sending an e-mail, calling, or making an appointment to see me in person. I am looking forward to a wonderful year of excellence for every student, every day.

Sincerely yours.

Mary Keenan Foster