

## Peekskill City School District

Our mission is to educate and empower all students to strive for excellence as life-long learners who embrace diversity and are contributing members of a global society.

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Dear Peekskill Families,

Let me begin by thanking the 977 families that participated in our Parent Reopening Survey - we received input for more than 1,500 Peekskill students. This information will continue to be valuable as we move forward in our reopening planning. As many of you are aware, we expect the Governor to make a statement on the reopening of New York schools this upcoming week. Once the Governor makes his announcement, we will be sending out a Commitment Form for each family to indicate their learning decisions for the start of the school year.

The members of the Peekskill City School District Reopening Team have been working diligently to create a plan for the 2020-21 school year. On Friday, July 31, we submitted our plan to the State for approval. This plan is a living document and is subject to change. We have posted a copy on our reopening webpage.

This week, our District received notification that Peekskill students will be eligible to receive Pandemic-EBT funds. Pandemic-EBT is a new crisis response nutrition program activated as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. The program will provide food benefits to 2.1 million New York students. More information on this program can be found here. These benefits will be issued automatically, and no application is needed.

Enjoy your weekend.

Sincerely,

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