

October 31, 2025

Superintendent's

Weekly
Message

Dear Peekskill Families,

Happy Halloween, Peekskill! As we enjoy this fall time of the year, the Peekskill City School District would like to wish all of our students, families, and community members a fun and safe evening. This is a wonderful opportunity for our children to enjoy their costumes and time with friends. As excitement fills the air, we also remind everyone to stay alert and use extra caution while driving, as many of our youngest children will be out trick-or-treating.

Monthly Campus Newsletter

Our schools regularly publish a "Campus Newsletter" filled with useful information. You can read the November issue of this publication by [clicking here](#). I would like to thank our administrators and staff for developing this resource for our parents.

Saturday Academy Success

Thank you to everyone who came out for our first Saturday Academy of the school year! I would like to acknowledge our PTO team for their work organizing the Trunk-or-Treat event and thank all of the volunteers that helped create an exciting day for our students and families. Our next Saturday Academy will take place on November 15. This event was our largest attendance in seven years with approximately 1,500 attendees. Despite increasing our breakfast order, we ran out of food for our families. Many families indicated that they lived outside of Peekskill. Due to the incredible response to our Saturday Academy events, as well as limited space and resources, future Saturday Academy events will be open to Peekskill residents and their immediate family members only. We thank you for understanding as we strive to support our students and parents.

PCSD Parent Resource Center November Calendar

Please remember that our Parent Resource Center offers a variety of free services and workshops for our Peekskill families. [Please click here](#) for a calendar of November events and activities.

Peekskill Garlic Festival

Peekskill Schools will partner with the Peekskill Garlic Festival to open our Woodside and Middle School gardens on November 15. Woodside's garden will be open from 9:30-11AM and the Peekskill Middle School garden will be open from 11AM-12PM. Each location will include planting activities, and more! [See this flier](#) for a map with more information. I wish to thank Laura Perkins and her volunteers for all that they do to keep our gardens blooming.

Pre-K Registration Now Open

Space is still available in our Pre-K program for this school year. Seats are available to ALL Peekskill children who turned 4 years old by December 1, 2025. Call 914-737-3300, Ext. 7535 to register. For more



FREE FULL DAY PRE-K REGISTRATION OPEN NOW!
LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE

Why Choose Peekskill Schools?

- Innovative and engaging education
- Compassionate and skilled educators
- Caring and nurturing atmosphere
- Before and after school care available via Healthy Kids

Educational and Recreational Facilities

- Modern classrooms with technology integration
- Dedicated art and music space
- STEAM Lab for hands-on exploration
- Child-centered library with flexible seating
- Sensory room encourages play opportunities and social-emotional support

ENROLL TODAY! SCAN BELOW FOR MORE INFO

For More Information: 914-737-0882 EXT. 7500 | www.peakskill.org

City of Peekskill Food Insecurity Emergency

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PCSD FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER NOVEMBER WORKSHOPS TALLERES DE NOVIEMBRE

Parental Basics
Friday, November 7 & Friday, November 21 / Viernes Noviembre 7 y 21
10:30AM - 11:00AM
"Who and What?" explores families, explores the development of language skills and builds strong bonds and "Family Matters" explores the importance of family in a child's life and how to build a strong family.

Reading & Writing / Leer y Escribir
Monday, November 11 & Wednesday, November 13 / Martes y Miércoles Noviembre 11 y 13
10:30AM - 11:00AM
Readers and Writers explore the importance of reading and writing in a child's life and how to build a strong family.

Inspiring Gratitude
Wednesday, November 12
6:30PM - 7:30PM
This workshop focuses on helping parents to support their child academically, socially and emotionally.

"Welcome to Peekskill" Workshop / Bienvenidos a Peekskill
Monday, November 17 / Lunes, Noviembre 17
6:30PM - 7:30PM
This workshop is designed to help parents to support their child academically, socially and emotionally.

Special Services Program Application Assistance / Asistencia con la Aplicación
Monday, November 17 / Lunes, Noviembre 17
9:00AM - 3:00PM
This program will help parents to apply for special services through the application process for their child.

Special Education PEO (PEP)
Wednesday, November 19 / Miércoles, Noviembre 19
6:30PM - 7:30PM
This meeting is for parents of children with special needs who want to meet other parents, learn about special education, and find out about available resources. For info, email: sepe@peakskill.org

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information, please click [here](#) and pass the word along to any family and neighbors who live in Peekskill and meet the criteria above. Let's give all of our children a great start with learning at Uriah.

No School for Students November 4 (Election Day)

Please be reminded that Tuesday, November 4 is Election Day and there will be no school for students. Please plan childcare accordingly and don't forget to vote if you are a registered voter.

PHS Junior Parent Guidance Night

Peekskill High School will be holding a Junior Parent Guidance Night on Wednesday, November 5 at 6:30PM. Join the PHS guidance staff to learn about your child's freshman year of high school and how to plan ahead.

Woodside Curriculum Night November 6

Woodside Elementary School will host their annual Curriculum Night on Wednesday, November 6 at 6:30PM. Please [click here for a flier](#). Please note RSVPs are due no later than November 3.

Daylight Savings

I'd like to remind families that Daylight Saving Time ends this weekend. Please remember to turn your clocks back one hour before going to bed on Saturday night. A good night's sleep and a consistent bedtime routine can help students adjust smoothly to the time change and stay focused for the week ahead.

Varsity Football Game

Come out to cheer our varsity football team as they face Walter Panas High School during the Hudson Valley Football Tournament. The rescheduled time for this game is 6PM on Sunday, November 2 at Torpy Field. Go Red Devils!

SNAP Updates

In closing, I would like to share a challenge that many of our families will face. Beginning November 1, updates to New York State's Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) will take effect impacting families who receive this benefit. We understand that any loss of food assistance will create a challenge for our children and families. We want to ensure that all members of our community have access to the food they need. For those seeking additional help, please visit [this link](#) for a list of local food resources available to assist families during this time. Our District administrators and staff are collecting food to donate to our families. If you would like to donate food, please send it with your child or drop off a bag of non-perishable foods to your child's school. The City of Peekskill will also provide support to families. [Click here for information](#). Together, we can help our families get through this difficult time.

Sincerely,



Dr. David Mauricio
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Hillcrest held their MBK program kick off this week!



PHS students took a stand against substance abuse during Red Ribbon week.



PHS students gathered in the gym to participate in a College Fair this week.



Our October Saturday Academy was a fantastic success! Thank you to everyone who made the day possible.



Happy Halloween, Peekskill!

31 de Octubre de 2025

Superintendente

Mensaje Semanal



Estimadas Familias de Peekskill,

¡Feliz Halloween, Peekskill! Mientras disfrutamos de esta hermosa época del año, el Distrito Escolar de la Ciudad de Peekskill desea a todos nuestros estudiantes, familias y miembros de la comunidad una noche divertida y segura. Esta es una maravillosa oportunidad para que nuestros niños disfruten de sus disfraces y pasen tiempo con sus amigos. A medida que crece la emoción, también recordamos a todos mantenerse atentos y conducir con precaución, ya que muchos de nuestros niños más pequeños estarán afuera pidiendo dulces.

Boletín Mensual de las Escuelas

Nuestras escuelas publican regularmente un "Boletín Escolar" con información útil. Puede leer la edición de noviembre de esta publicación haciendo [clic aquí](#). Quisiera agradecer a nuestros administradores y personal por desarrollar este valioso recurso para nuestros padres.

Éxito de la Academia del Sábado

¡Gracias a todos los que participaron en nuestra primera Academia del Sábado del año escolar! Quisiera reconocer al equipo del PTO por su trabajo en la organización del evento Trunk-or-Treat y agradecer a todos los voluntarios que ayudaron a crear un día emocionante para nuestros estudiantes y familias. Nuestra próxima Academia del Sábado se llevará a cabo el 15 de noviembre. Este evento tuvo la mayor asistencia en los últimos siete años, con aproximadamente 1,500 participantes. A pesar de haber incrementado nuestro pedido de desayuno, se nos agotó la comida para las familias. Muchas de ellas indicaron que vivían fuera de Peekskill. Debido a la increíble respuesta a nuestros eventos de la Academia del Sábado, así como al espacio y recursos limitados, los próximos eventos de la Academia del Sábado estarán abiertos únicamente a los residentes de Peekskill y sus familiares directos. Agradecemos su comprensión mientras continuamos esforzándonos por apoyar a nuestros estudiantes y padres.

Calendario de Noviembre del Centro de Recursos para Padres de PCSD

Les recordamos que nuestro Centro de Recursos para Padres ofrece una variedad de servicios y talleres gratuitos para nuestras familias de Peekskill. [Haga clic aquí](#) para ver el calendario de eventos y actividades del mes de noviembre.

Festival del Ajo de Peekskill

Las escuelas de Peekskill se asociarán con el Peekskill Garlic Festival para abrir los jardines de Woodside y Peekskill Middle School el 15 de noviembre. El jardín de Woodside estará abierto de 9:30 a 11AM y el jardín de Peekskill Middle School de 11AM a 12PM. Cada ubicación incluirá actividades de plantación ¡y mucho más! Consulte [este folleto](#) para ver un mapa y obtener más información. Quisiera agradecer a Laura Perkins y sus voluntarios por todo lo que hacen para mantener nuestros jardines florecientes.

Inscripción a Pre-K Ahora Abierta

Aún hay espacio disponible en nuestro programa de Pre-K para este año escolar. Hay plazas para TODOS los niños de Peekskill que cumplan 4 años antes del 1 de diciembre de 2025. Llame al 914-737-3300, Ext. 7535

Uriah Hill, Jr.
Elementary School

INSCRIPCIÓN GRATUITA DE PRE-K ¡ABIERTO AHORA!
CUPOS LIMITADOS

¿Por qué elegir las escuelas de Peekskill?

- Educación innovadora y atractiva
- Educadores compasivos y capacitados
- Ambiente seguro y acogedor
- Cuidado antes y después de clases disponible a través de Healthy Kids

Instalaciones Educativas y Recreativas

- Salones modernos con integración tecnológica
- Espacios dedicados para arte y música
- Laboratorio STEM para exploración práctica
- Biblioteca de última generación con asientos flexibles
- Sala deportiva que fomenta el juego creativo y brinda apoyo socioemocional

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Peekskill Basics
Friday, November 7 & Friday, November 21 / Viernes Noviembre 7 y 21
10:30AM - 11:45AM
This and Learn! Support Series, explores the development of language skills and habits along with and beyond the classroom. "Caring Moment" helps the families explore a situation in the classroom that may be a challenge for the child.

Reading & Writing / Cuento y Escritura
10:30AM - 11:30AM
Support Series: Reading and Writing skills are essential for academic and social success. This session will focus on the importance of reading and writing in the home and school.

Improving Gratitude
Wednesday, November 12
9:30AM - 10:30AM
This session focuses on helping parents to support their child academically, socially, and emotionally. Can you see your child's potential?

"Welcome to Peekskill" Workshop / Taller "Bienvenidos a Peekskill"
Monday, November 17 / Lunes, Noviembre 17
10:30AM - 11:30AM
This session is for families who are new to Peekskill and are looking for ways to connect with the community. It will focus on the importance of community and how to get involved.

Special Service Programs Application Assistance / Asistencia en la Aplicación
Monday, November 17 / Lunes, Noviembre 17
9:30AM - 10:30AM
This session will provide information on how to apply for various special services programs for students with disabilities and how to get involved in the community.

Special Education PTO (SEPTO)
Wednesday, November 19 / Miércoles, Noviembre 19
6:30PM - 7:30PM
This meeting is for parents of children with special needs who are looking for ways to connect with other parents, learn about special services, and find out about available resources. For info, email: septo@peakskillnyc.org

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Contact: Dr. Hollander 914-737-0502 ext. 3024 or hollander@peakskillnyc.org and Sonia Pardo 914-737-0502 ext. 7527 or spardo@peakskillnyc.org

para inscribirse. Para más información, haga clic [aquí](#) y comparta la información con cualquier familia o vecino que viva en Peekskill y cumpla con los requisitos. ¡Demos a todos nuestros niños un gran comienzo en su aprendizaje en Uriah!

No Hay Clases para Estudiantes – 4 de Noviembre (Día de Elecciones)

Recordamos que el martes 4 de noviembre es Día de Elecciones y no habrá clases para los estudiantes. Por favor, planifique el cuidado de los niños en consecuencia y no olvide votar si está registrado para hacerlo.

Noche de Orientación para Padres de Juniors en PHS

Peekskill High School realizará la Junior Parent Guidance Night el miércoles 5 de noviembre a las 6:30PM. Acompañe al personal de orientación de PHS para aprender sobre el año de junior de su hijo y cómo planificar con anticipación.

Noche de Currículo en Woodside – 6 de Noviembre

Woodside Elementary School llevará a cabo su Noche Anual de Currículo el miércoles 6 de noviembre a las 6:30PM. [Haga clic aquí](#) para ver el folleto. Tenga en cuenta que las confirmaciones de asistencia (RSVPs) deben enviarse a más tardar el 3 de noviembre.

Cambio de Horario

Recordamos a las familias que el horario de verano termina este fin de semana. Por favor, recuerden adelantar sus relojes una hora antes de dormir el sábado por la noche. Una buena noche de sueño y una rutina constante de horario para acostarse pueden ayudar a los estudiantes a adaptarse al cambio de horario y mantenerse concentrados durante la semana.

Partido de Fútbol Americano Varsity

¡Vengan a apoyar a nuestro equipo Varsity de Fútbol Americano mientras se enfrenta a Walter Panas High School durante el Hudson Valley Football Tournament! El partido reprogramado será el domingo 2 de noviembre a las 6PM en Torpy Field. ¡Vamos Red Devils!

Actualizaciones de SNAP

Por último, queremos informar sobre un desafío que muchas de nuestras familias enfrentarán. A partir del 1 de noviembre, entrarán en vigor actualizaciones del Programa de Asistencia Nutricional Suplementaria (SNAP) de Nueva York, afectando a las familias que reciben este beneficio. Entendemos que cualquier reducción en la asistencia alimentaria será un reto para nuestros niños y familias. Queremos asegurar que todos los miembros de nuestra comunidad tengan acceso a los alimentos que necesitan. Para quienes busquen ayuda adicional, visite [este enlace](#) para ver una lista de recursos alimentarios locales disponibles para asistir a las familias durante este período. Los administradores y el personal del distrito están recolectando alimentos para donar a nuestras familias. Si desea donar alimentos, puede enviarlos con su hijo o dejar una bolsa de alimentos no perecederos en la escuela de su hijo. La Ciudad de Peekskill también brindará apoyo a las familias. [Haga clic aquí para obtener un folleto informativo](#). Juntos, podemos ayudar a nuestras familias a superar este momento difícil.

Atentamente,



Dr. David Mauricio
Superintendente de Escuelas

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¡Hillcrest realizó el lanzamiento de su programa MBK esta semana!



Los estudiantes de PHS tomaron una postura contra el consumo de sustancias durante la Semana de la Cinta Roja (Red Ribbon Week).



Los estudiantes de PHS se reunieron en el gimnasio para participar en una Feria Universitaria esta semana.



¡Nuestra Academia del Sábado de octubre fue un éxito rotundo! Gracias a todos los que hicieron posible este día.

¡Feliz Halloween, Peekskill!