

# WHITE PLAINS PUBLIC SCHOOLS





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## THE DISTRICT

The White Plains City School District has a long tradition of being recognized as one of the most forward-thinking school districts in the nation, in a community that vehemently supports public education.

Our primary emphasis is on embracing the whole child and tending to a child's overall well-being while focusing on social-emotional development, academic achievement, and civic responsibility. Our vision is to "aspire to unlock the infinite and unique potential of each student, every day." This is supported by a favorable ratio of students to professionals, as well as various programs that meet the diverse learning needs and interests of our students through enrichment, advanced course offerings, honors options, and mandated services (including Special Education and English as a New Language for eligible students).

Through grant funding and by partnering with community-based organizations as providers, the District offers Pre-Kindergarten to approximately 350 students each year. At the Kindergarten to Grade 5 level, there are five elementary schools. The District employs a Controlled Parent Choice Program, in which parent choice is one of the variables included in an algorithm used to place students in each school. The goal is to have schools that are well balanced and reflective of the diversity of the overall community. Full day Kindergarten is available in all five of the elementary schools.

There are K-5 Dual Language Programs at Church Street, George Washington and Post Road. Other innovations in recent years include an engineering program at the elementary level, Project Lead the Way LAUNCH, and the addition of Math Specialists in each building to work with students and teachers.

The configuration of all sixth graders at the Eastview Campus and seventh and eighth graders at Highlands has proven to be a very successful middle school model. This configuration better serves the needs of the students at a key transitional point in their educational journey and results in a stronger sense of community as well as an increase in academic and social emotional attention. Students at both campuses have access to many extracurricular and athletic activities.

White Plains High School, located on a 75-acre campus, with a swimming pool, modern TV studio and music recording lab, among other facilities, provides exciting and various educational and extracurricular opportunities. The school offers over 300 courses, with 51 at the Honors and Advanced Placement levels, five-year world language sequences, dual enrollment classes that lead to college credit, a Science Research program, Engineering and Computer Science courses, and many others.

At all levels, the District is committed to upholding the highest standards in all fields of study. Local as well as NYS assessments are utilized to monitor growth and achievement. Technology is used skillfully to enhance the teaching and learning experience and links students to a wealth of resources outside of the classroom. E-mail, text reminders, websites, and social media are used as communication tools between school and home. Partnerships with parents as well as community organizations are nurtured. These valued relationships make White Plains a special place for our teachers to teach and our students to learn and grow. We are #WPProud and looking forward to a new and exciting year.

## PROJECTED ENROLLMENT 2024-2025

**Total Projected: 6,748**

Church St. School	595	Ridgeway School	574
George Washington School	599	Eastview Middle	497
Mamaroneck Ave. School	589	Highlands Middle	1,029
Post Road School	601	High School	2,147
		Alternative Programs	75
		Out-of-District	42

## VISION

*We aspire to unlock the infinite and unique potential of each student, every day.*

## MISSION

*Educate and inspire all students, while nurturing their dreams, so they learn continually, think critically, pursue their aspirations and contribute to a diverse and dynamic world.*

## CORE BELIEFS

### *We believe that:*

- All people have intrinsic value.
- Celebrating and embracing diversity enrich life.
- All people can learn, grow and contribute.
- Every choice matters, and that people are responsible for their choices.
- Respect, honesty and trust empower.
- When people serve the community, both the individuals and the community benefit.
- High expectations promote high achievement.

## THE STRATEGIC PLAN

The District follows a Strategic Planning initiative to develop long-range plans for the future.

Community members were involved in the development of Core Beliefs, a Mission statement, Strategic Objectives and Strategies, listed below. The Board of Education accepted the Strategic Plan, as presented by the Core Planning Team, and the Superintendent made recommendations for each of the five strategies. <https://www.whiteplainspublicschools.org/Page/37>

### *Immediate Priorities*

- Provide access to a deliberately designed, rigorous, enriched curriculum that challenges and meets the needs of each student.
- Reduce the number of chronically absent students.
- Welcome, engage and nurture relationships with our families and communities

### Core Strategies

#### **Continue to improve performance**

1. Increase access to holistic wellness supports for all students so that they are ready to learn.
2. Recruit, hire and retain a diverse and talented staff.
3. Finalize, approve and implement the master facility plan and multi-year capital project.
4. Forge and sustain critical partnerships to increase opportunities available for students.
5. Publicly celebrate and highlight student and district successes.

District Professional Development will support our priorities and strategies.



Dr. Ricca



Ms. Augarten



Dr. Hand



Mr. Pepper



Dr. Vaccaro-Teich

**ADMINISTRATION**

- Dr. Joseph L. Ricca ..... Superintendent of Schools  
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For a detailed directory of administrative personnel, please see "For Easy Reference" listing on inside back cover.

**FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT**

Welcome to the 2024-2025 school year! We hope you enjoyed a happy, healthy and fun summer recess and we look forward to greeting you personally in the weeks and months ahead. Please watch for messages from our schools with important updates throughout the academic year.

We have a fantastic year of learning and growing planned with an outstanding educational and extra-curricular program, as well as some exciting new initiatives. These include new courses at the High School, Dual Language improvements, K-5 Science and Engineering improvements and more. As is our tradition, we will also add to our arts programming and extracurricular and athletic offerings. In addition to improvements in our facilities, this year will see the new addition of air conditioning in all of our schools.

We will provide needed supports to our children so that each may grow socially and emotionally. We will continue to focus on helping every child be successful. We strive to meet our goal of providing a welcoming environment where every student learns and practices kindness for others. Our talented staff and supportive community all work together to accomplish our mission: to educate and inspire all students, while nurturing their dreams.

On behalf of the Board of Education and the entire WPCSD community, I wish everyone an exciting, productive and enjoyable school year. I hope you will join with us in our commitment to provide an outstanding education with joy and fun in learning for all of our children. As always, I am just an email or phone call away if you wish to reach out to me. #WPProud

Respectfully,  
Joseph L. Ricca, Ed.D.

**BOARD OF EDUCATION**

The Board is comprised of seven members, elected at large for three-year terms. It is responsible for establishing policies which govern the education of all children attending District schools, and for insuring adherence to state laws and regulations.

The Board encourages communication and invites the public to attend its meetings. Regular meetings are held at 7:30 pm on the second Monday of each month or as designated.

The 2024-25 schedule of meetings is as follows:

- Monday, September 9 ..... Education House
- Tuesday, October 15 ..... High School
- Monday, November 12 ..... Education House
- Monday, December 9 ..... High School
- Monday, January 13 ..... Education House
- Monday, February 10 ..... Education House
- Monday, February 24 (Budget 7pm) .... Education House
- Monday, March 10 ..... Education House
- Monday, April 7 ..... Education House
- Monday, May 12 (Budget & Teacher Tenure) High School
- Wed., May 21 (Canvass 5:30 pm) ..... Education House
- Monday, June 9 ..... High School
- Monday, July 1 (Reorg. 5:30 p.m.) ..... Education House

Additional meetings will take place on dates to be determined during the school year. Please contact the District Clerk, 422-2071, for further information.

**BUDGET VOTE/ELECTIONS**

On the third Tuesday in May (May 20, 2025) the public votes on the school district budget and the election of Board members. The budget is developed through a lengthy process with various opportunities for community input. The Board will adopt a proposed budget, which will be presented at a public hearing on May 12th.

Candidates for the Board must be qualified voters of the District and have lived in White Plains for one year. Petitions to be signed by at least 100 qualified voters are available from the District Clerk. They must be filed by April 30, 2025.

Residents who are registered to vote in general elections are eligible to vote, or they may register on the District's Registration Day, May 3, 2025, noon to 5 pm at Mamaroneck Avenue School. To vote in general elections, a resident may register with the Westchester County Board of Elections, 25 Quarropas Street, any time throughout the year.

Qualifications for voters are: a citizen of the United States, 18 years of age or more, a resident of White Plains for at least 30 days prior to the election.

Absentee ballots are available for those who will not be in the District during the voting hours and those who are disabled. Applications are available online and from the District Clerk, 914-422-2071.



Rosemarie Eller



Cayne Letizia



Sheryl Brady



Jessica Buck



Valerie Daniele



Craig Mondschein



Charlie Norris

**To email all Board Members together use:  
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**BOARD MEMBERS**

Term Expires

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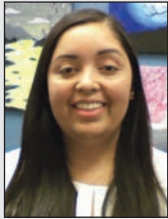
# CHURCH STREET SCHOOL

**295 Church Street 10603**  
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**Fax: 914-335-8078**  
**Health Room: 914-422-2403**

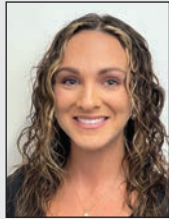
**Grades K-5**

School Begins 8:15am  
 Lunch Periods 11am-1pm  
 Dismissal 2:55 pm

(Afterschool programs are provided until 6 pm by the White Plains Youth Bureau.)



Ms. Castillo



Ms. Lee

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The Church Street School community takes pride in recognizing all students as learners. Our goal is to support students in reaching their potential to become self-motivated, life-long learners and contributing members of society.

At Church Street School we encourage students to take an active role in their learning. Students learn the importance of being kind, safe and responsible. We build community through various events such as school-wide morning meetings, Harvest Day and the One Book One School event.

As a school community, we work collaboratively to nurture and educate the whole child. We build on our students' strengths and support their areas of need through small group instruction and programs designed to provide interventions and enrichment. We integrate various hands-on experiences to engage students in their learning. Our garden provides students the opportunity to plant seeds in the spring and harvest vegetables in the fall. With the help of our PTA and students, we sell the vegetables at our own Farmer's Market; 100% of the proceeds are donated to a local charity. Our garden also serves as inspiration for the students in art class. Students have access to a greenhouse that serves as a resource to extend our growing season. Students also learn how to decrease their carbon footprint through their participation in the We Future Cycle program. Students sort lunch products to recycle and reduce waste. Technology is embedded in learning and our media center not only gives students access to a variety of books but also opportunities to code robots. Our goal is to provide students with a purpose for learning and make connections to real life experiences.

Parents are an integral part of our Church Street School family. A strong partnership ensures students' academic, social and emotional success at school. Through the support of our PTA, Church Street families participate in activities throughout the school year including: Parents as Reading Partners, School Dances, Book Fair, Family Game Night and trips to many interesting and educational destinations.

At Church Street School, we work as a community to help students soar to new heights!

**CHURCH STREET SCHOOL PTA**

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Danielle Iglesias & Thuyet To ..... Co-Presidents	Margot Veneziano, Caitlin To & Patricia Ortiz ..... Co-VP Fundraising
Sean McCahill ..... Treasurer	Kristyne Milazzo ..... PTA Council
Christine Cassese ..... Secretary	Caryn Arlas ..... Special Needs Rep
Lauren Walsh ..... VP Hospitality	
Juliana Lambiasi ..... VP Membership	





SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>1</b> 8/19-23-Band Camp 8/24-Football Begins 8/26-Full Sports Begin	<b>2</b> Labor Day Schools & Offices Closed	<b>3</b> Superintendent's Conference Day	<b>4</b> Superintendent's Conference Day	<b>5</b> A/M/1* First Day of School	<b>6</b> B/S/2	<b>7</b> Ridgeway Back to School Picnic, 12 Noon-2 pm
<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> C/M/3 Board of Education Meeting Education House, 7:30 pm	<b>10</b> D/S/4	<b>11</b> E/M/5	<b>12</b> F/S/6	<b>13</b> A/M/7 WPHS Football-Away Ossining, 7 pm	<b>14</b> MAS 5th Grade Car Wash at Highlands 10 am-12 noon (Rain Date: 9/21)
<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> B/S/8	<b>17</b> C/M/1	<b>18</b> D/S/2	<b>19</b> E/M/3	<b>20</b> F/S/4 WPHS Football-Home Katcham, 6 pm Tigers in Training	<b>21</b> Church Street 5th Grade Car Wash 10 am-4 pm
<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> A/M/5	<b>24</b> B/S/6	<b>25</b> C/M/7 PTA Council Meeting Education House, 7:30 pm	<b>26</b> D/S/8	<b>27</b> E/M/1 WPHS Football-Home Mt. Vernon, 6 pm	<b>28</b> Fred Gressler Memorial Cross Country Meet, WPHS, 9 am Post Road Fiesta
<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> F/S/2	AUGUST 2024 S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31		OCTOBER 2024 S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31		

# SEPTEMBER 2024

\*A-F Letter days for Grades K-6; M and S days for Grades 7-8; 1-8 number days for Grades 9-12.

- 3 WPHS-PTA Breakfast  
GW-Back to School Staff Luncheon, 12:30 pm
- 4 MAS-Kindergarten Ice Cream Social, 2:15 pm  
-Chalk the Walk, 5 pm  
Post Rd, Ridgeway, GW- Kindergarten Meet & Greets,  
(GW & Post Rd-2:30 pm)  
GW-Kindergarten Lemonade Social, 3 pm  
Post Rd-Chalk the Walk, 3 pm  
WPHS-Staff BBQ
- 5 MAS-Welcome Back Parents Coffee, 9 am  
Ridgeway-Welcome Back Parent Coffee, 9 am  
Post Rd-Kindergarten Parent Coffee, 8:15 am  
WPMS/Highlands-Modified Fall Sports Begin
- 6 Rochambeau-Welcome Back Ice Cream Social

- 10 Church St-PTA Meeting, 6:30 pm  
WPHS-Guidance Night, Senior Workshop, 6:30 pm  
MAS, Post Rd, Ridgeway-PTA Meetings, 7 pm
- 11-12 WPHS-Underclass Photos
- 12 WPHS-PTA Guidance Night, 6:30 pm
- 13 Church St, MAS, Post Rd, Welcome Back Picnic, 5:30 pm  
(Rain date 9/20)  
GW-Back to School Picnic, 6 pm (Rain date 9/20)
- 16-18 WPHS-Spirit Week
- 16 Church St-Miss Chocolate Sale Starts
- 17 GW-PTA Meeting, 7 pm
- 18 WPHS-Pep Rally/Homecoming  
WPMS-PTA Meeting
- 19 Dads Take Your Child to School Day  
Church St-Picture Day  
WPHS-Open House, 6:30 pm  
Rochambeau-Open House, 7 pm

- 20 WPMS/Eastview-Picture Day
- 23 GW-Picture Day
- 24 MAS-Open House, Grades K-2, 6:15 pm  
Church St, GW, Post Rd, Ridgeway-Open Houses,  
Grades K-2, 6:30 pm
- 25 WPHS-Sophomore Dance, 6 pm
- 26 WPHS-Student Activities Fair
- 27 GW-Spiritwear Day
- 31 WPHS-Trunk or Treat, 3:30-5 pm



# GEORGE WASHINGTON SCHOOL

**100 Orchard Street 10604**  
**Tel: 914-422-2380**  
**Fax: 914-335-8073**  
**Health Room: 914-422-2386**

## Grades K-5

School Begins 8:40 am  
 Lunch Periods 11:20 am-1:20 pm  
 Dismissal 3:20 pm

(Afterschool programs are provided until 6 pm by the White Plains Youth Bureau.)



Mrs. Mungin



Mr. Onativia

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 Lori DiMarco ..... School Office Manager  
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 Burch Simon ..... VP, Class Parents  
 Artee Verma ..... VP of Membership  
 Anna Mazzara ..... Special Needs Committee  
 Parent Representative

\*Bilingual

The George Washington Elementary School is a beautiful three-story building situated on eleven acres of land. The original building, erected in 1927, has undergone two expansions to accommodate a growing population.

Our goal is to provide a solid foundation in literacy, numeracy and democracy for our Patriots. Toward that end, George Washington School offers a nurturing educational environment that supports all students on a journey towards personal excellence. Our students, in grades K through 5, are engaged in meaningful learning opportunities that encourage academic success and personal growth while preparing them to be citizens of our global society.

Our literacy approach—inquiry in Math, discovery in Science and exploration in Social Studies—is aligned with the NYS Learning Standards. Technology is embedded throughout the curriculum to further enhance and support student learning. Our Dual Language Program, available in all grades, provides an opportunity for students enrolled to become biliterate and bicultural by the end of grade five. Our Media Center provides a stimulating environment for students, teachers and parents to immerse themselves in rich literature and research.

At George Washington we believe that parent partnerships are an essential piece of the success of a student's educational journey. We are fortunate to have an active PTA with parent volunteers who are involved with enriching the educational experiences of all our students. The GWPTA coordinates community events such as International Children's Festival, the Talent Show and Family Game Night. They also fundraise throughout the year in order to provide opportunities and experiences for all grade levels such as author visits, field trips and assemblies. We welcome and encourage our families to partner with us on our students' educational journey towards excellence.





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SEPTEMBER 2024 S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30	NOVEMBER 2024 S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30	<b>1</b> A/M/3	<b>2</b> B/S/4  Emergency Disaster Drill*	<b>3</b>  Rosh Hashanah School Closed	<b>4</b>  Rosh Hashanah School Closed	<b>5</b>  WPHS Football-Away Clarkstown North, 3 pm
<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> C/M/5	<b>8</b> D/S/6	<b>9</b> E/M/7  Walk-Bike to School Day	<b>10</b> F/S/8  Parent Conferences Noon Dismissal, Grades K-5**  WPHS Football-Away Ramapo, 4:30 pm	<b>11</b> A/M/1	<b>12</b>  Yom Kippur
<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>  Columbus Day (Federal) Indigenous Peoples' Day (State) Schools & Offices Closed	<b>15</b> B/S/2  Board of Education Meeting High School, 7:30 pm  Parent Conferences Noon Dismissal Grades K-5**	<b>16</b> C/M/3	<b>17</b> D/S/4  K-5 Evening Parent Conferences	<b>18</b> E/M/5  WPHS Football-Home Yonkers Brave,, 6 pm	<b>19</b>  Church Street Trunk or Treat, 12 pm (rain date 10/26)  MAS-Spooktacular 12 pm -3 pm (rain date 10/26)
<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> F/S/6  Community Input on Budget High School, 7 pm	<b>22</b> A/M/7	<b>23</b> B/S/8  PSAT/NMSQT WPHS & Rochambeau Dismiss at 11:40 am  PTA Council Meeting Education House, 7:30 pm	<b>24</b> C/M/1	<b>25</b> D/S/2	<b>26</b>  GW Halloween Bash, 1 pm Ridgewat Trunk or Treat, 1-3 pm Post Rd. Halloween Bash WPHS Football-Away Yonkers Force, 1:30 pm
<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> E/M/3	<b>29</b> F/S/4	<b>30</b> A/M/5	<b>31</b> B/S/6  Halloween		

# OCTOBER 2024

\*All schools will be dismissed 15 minutes early. \*\* Church Street School dismisses at 11:30 am.

- 1-2 WPHS/Highlands-School Photos
- 1 Ridgeway-Picture Day  
Church St, GW, Post Rd, Ridgeway-Open Houses,  
Grades 3-5, 6:30 pm  
MAS-Open House, Grades 3-5, 6:45 pm
- 2 Post Rd-Picture Day
- 7 MAS-Picture Day  
WPHS-PTA Meeting, 6:30 pm  
Special Needs Parent Meeting, 7 pm
- 8-9 WPHS-Songwriter's Showcase, 7 pm
- 8 WPHS-Underclass Photo Retakes  
MAS-PTA Meeting, 7 pm
- 9 WPHS/Highlands & Eastview-Open Houses, 7 pm
- 10 WPHS-Guidance Night, Senior College Application Tool Kit, 6:30 pm

- 12 WPHS-Sports Hall of Fame Induction
- 15-16 WPHS-Fall Play
- 15-18 WPHS-SGO Spirit Week
- 16 Post Rd-Unity Day  
Rochambeau-School Pictures (Underclassmen)  
WPHS/Eastview-Open House, 7 pm
- 17 WPHS-Hall of Fame, Induction Ceremony, 3 pm
- 18 WPHS- Pep Rally  
Winter sports begin
- 21-25 GW-Scholastic Book Fair
- 22 GW-Family Reading Night, 6:30 pm
- 24 Church St-Picture Retake Day
- 25 Church St-Miss Chocolate Sale Ends  
WPHS-Sophomore Dance, 6-9 pm

- 28-31 Rochambeau-Spirit Week
- 29 Rochambeau-School Pictures (Seniors)  
WPHS-Guidance Night FAFSA, by appointment only  
9:30 am  
GW-Literary Masquerade  
WPHS-Walkathon  
WPHS-Trunk or Treat, 3:30-5 pm
- 31 Church St-Halloween Parade and Farmer's Market  
9:30 am



# MAMARONECK AVENUE SCHOOL

**7 Nosband Avenue 10605**  
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**Health Room: 914-422-2291**

## Grades K-5

School Begins 8:40 am  
 Lunch Periods 11:00 am-1:30 pm  
 Dismissal 3:20 pm

(Afterschool programs are provided until 6 pm by the White Plains Youth Bureau.)



Mr. Janowitz



Mr. McCarthy

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*"Be a good friend, the choice is yours!" The MAS motto is proudly embodied by our students, staff and families each day as we promote the growth of the whole child with an emphasis on Social Emotional Learning, Responsive Classrooms, and, of course, FUN!*

*They say it takes a village - we know it takes a nation! Our "MAS Nation" benefits from an energetic and engaged PTA. The efforts of our devoted parent volunteers and generosity of our community members help make assemblies, field trips and other memory-making opportunities possible.*

*Our students' classroom learning experiences are enriched through activities such as Pick A Reading Partner (PARP), Math Night and our Health Fair, among many other exciting and educational assemblies, field trips and school-wide activities. Fun traditions new and old are hosted throughout the year, from our "welcome back" party in the fall and Spooktacular in October, to our springtime Family Picnic and end-of-year Carnival for students.*

*We believe strongly in creating meaningful and collaborative relationships with our students and their families. Values such as perseverance, empathy, honesty and kindness are celebrated as we recognize our Citizens of the Month throughout the year. Our Fifth Grade Safety Patrol promotes responsibility and role modeling, along with intra-grade friendship and respect.*



## MAMARONECK AVENUE SCHOOL PTA

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Bryce Taback .....	2nd VP, Family Engagement & Membership	Nicole Seicol .....	Asst. Treasurer
Ariel Dupas Ridore .....	3rd VP, Communications	Kristen Lalla .....	Past President, VP of Social Media
		Jaelyn Yacky .....	Special Needs Rep.





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<b>3</b>  Standard Time Set clocks back one hour	<b>4</b> D/S/8	<b>5</b>  Election Day Schools Closed for Students Superintendent's Conference Day	<b>6</b> E/M/1	<b>7</b> F/S/2	<b>8</b> A/M/3  First Marking Period Ends for Secondary Schools	<b>9</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>  Veterans Day Schools & Offices Closed	<b>12</b> B/S/4  Board of Education Meeting Education House, 7:30 pm	<b>13</b> C/M/5	<b>14</b> D/S/6	<b>15</b> E/M/7  Report Cards Go Home for Secondary Schools	<b>16</b>
<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> F/S/8  Nov 18-22 American Education Week	<b>19</b> A/M/1	<b>20</b> B/S/2  PTA Council Meeting Education House, 7:30 p.m.	<b>21</b> C/M/3	<b>22</b> D/S/4	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> E/M/5	<b>26</b> F/S/6	<b>27</b> A/M/7  Emergency Early Dismissal 1/2 Day	<b>28</b>  Thanksgiving Day Schools & Offices Closed	<b>29</b>  Thanksgiving Vacation Schools & Offices Closed	<b>30</b>

# NOVEMBER 2024

- 1 Rochambeau-Spirit Week
- 5 MAS-Election Day Café
- 6 GW, Ridgeway-Election Day Bake Sales
- 6 Church St-Miss Chocolate Sale Pickup
- 8 Post Rd-Miles & Smiles Fun Run
- 8 WPMS/Eastview-Veterans Day Assembly
- 8 WPHS-Underclass Photo Retakes
- 8-9 WPHS-Songwriter's Fall Cover Showcase
- 12 GW-Parent Workshop, 7 pm
- 12 Ridgeway-PTA Meeting, 7 pm
- 13 WPMS-PTA Meeting
- 14 WPMS/Eastview-Make-up Picture Day
- 15-16 WPHS-Fall Play, 7 pm
- 18-22 Church St, MAS, Post Rd-Book Fairs
- 19 Post Rd-Family Literacy Night, 6:30 pm
- 19 MAS-PTA Meeting, 7 pm
- 25 Post Rd-World Culture Day
- 25 Ridgeway-Turkey Trot
- 25 WPMS/Highlands-Modified Ice Hockey Begins





# POST ROAD SCHOOL

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**Health Room: 914-422-2326**

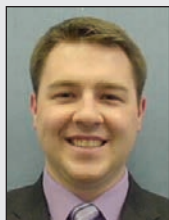
## Grades K-5

School Begins 8:40 am  
 Lunch Periods 11:20 am-1:30 pm  
 Dismissal Ends 3:20 pm

(Afterschool programs are provided until 6 pm by the White Plains Youth Bureau.)



Mrs. Ossorio



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*Post Road is a beautiful facility, which boasts “green” features such as geothermal heating and cooling systems, extensive use of day lighting, and a green roof. We are proud to be a “We Future Cycle” school focused on waste reduction and recycling after meals. Our state-of-the-art theater, Library Media Center, and computer labs bustle with activity. Our classrooms are equipped with interactive whiteboards and iPads for every student, which enhance teaching and learning experiences. We support diverse learners, including those with special needs through an inclusive approach and support multilingual learners in our Dual Language Program, with the goal of students graduating as bilingual, biliterate and bicultural.*

*At Post Road, students, staff and families are proud members of an active learning community. We view ourselves as lifelong learners and engage the children in experiences that generate enthusiasm for learning. Our caring community understands the foundation for learning begins with strong relationships with students and their families. We believe every child can learn and succeed; we strive to unlock the potential of every child, every day. We encourage our Post Road champions to approach challenges they face with a growth mindset and to accept mistakes as opportunities to learn. We teach our students to develop agency when it comes to their learning, become responsible members of our school and contribute to the community at large. By participating in our annual SOUPer Bowl, which supports our food pantry, The Post Road Market, students make a difference for families experiencing food insecurity. Through all-school community meetings, our students learn important values and habits of mind, such as being a good friend and the importance of respect. Everyone is valued, accepted, and celebrated for who they are and we promote kindness and a safe place to learn with two simple rules, “our words are kind and our hands are for helping.”*

*Our PTA is an active, vibrant organization that welcomes new members. Through its outstanding efforts, students benefit from a variety of PTA-sponsored educational experiences, such as cultural events, assembly programs, author visits and field trips. Grants are awarded to teachers to extend the curriculum in meaningful ways and it is our strong partnership with the PTA which affords us the opportunity to establish newer traditions, such as our One School One Book initiative, and sustain longstanding ones, such as the senior trip to Nature’s Classroom, spanning more than three decades.*

*Post Road is a caring, nurturing, respectful, child-centered learning environment. The Responsive Classroom Approach, coupled with the practice of circles, fosters a sense of community in each classroom and throughout our school. We invite you to visit our school to witness a joyful and exciting place to learn like a champion!*





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<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> A/M/5 Board of Education Meeting High School, 7:30 pm	<b>10</b> B/S/6	<b>11</b> C/M/7 Curriculum Planning, Grades 6-12 11:30 am Dismissal	<b>12</b> D/S/8	<b>13</b> E/M/1 Harry Jefferson Men's Basketball Tournament Report Cards Go Home for Elementary Schools	<b>14</b> WPHS PTA Craft Fair 10 am-4 pm
<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> F/S/2	<b>17</b> A/M/3	<b>18</b> B/S/4	<b>19</b> C/M/5 PTA Council Meeting Education House, 7:30 pm	<b>20</b> D/S/6	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> Holiday Recess Schools Closed	<b>24</b> Holiday Recess Schools Closed	<b>25</b> First Night of Hanukkah Christmas Day Schools & Offices Closed	<b>26</b> First Day of Kwanzaa Holiday Recess Schools Closed	<b>27</b> Holiday Recess Schools & Offices Closed	<b>28</b>
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# DECEMBER 2024

- 2-13 Church St-Toy Drive
- 2 WPMS/Highlands-Modified Winter Sports Begin
- 3 Post Rd-PTA Meeting, 7 pm
- 4 WPMS/Highlands-8th Grade Winter Concert, 7 pm
- WPMS/Eastview-Winter Concert
- 5 WPHS-Incoming Tigers Night, 6:30 pm
- 7 Church St-Hot Chocolate Social, 10 am-12 pm
- 10 Church St, GW, MAS-Winter Concerts, 6:30 pm
- WPHS-Winter Concert I, 7 pm
- 11 WPMS/Highlands-7th Grade Winter Concert, 7 pm

- 11 WPMS/Eastview-Winter Concert
- 12-13 Church St-Holiday Boutique
- 13 MAS-Family Movie Night
- 16-20 Post Rd, Ridgeway-Holiday Spirit Week
- 17 Post Rd-Winter Concert, 6:30 pm
- Ridgeway-Winter Concert
- WPHS-Winter Concert II, 7 pm
- 18 WPMS/Eastview-Winter Concert, 7 pm
- 20 GW-Pajama Day
- Rochambeau-Holiday Feast





# RIDGEWAY SCHOOL

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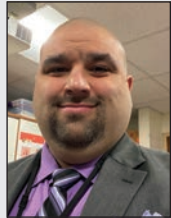
## Grades K-5

School Begins 8:40 am  
 Lunch Periods 11:30 am-1:30 pm  
 Dismissal 3:20 pm

(Afterschool programs are provided until 6 pm by the White Plains Youth Bureau.)



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Ridgeway Elementary School nurtures children's intellectual, moral and ethical development by building a community guided by the principles and practices of Responsive Classroom. We work to engage our students in activities that are reflective and provide a restorative approach to building relationships. We understand and support the role of students as active participants in their own learning.

Our goal is to foster literacy development and create a love for learning. We offer an inquiry-based, hands-on experience in mathematics, science, and social studies. We encourage children to develop as critical and creative thinkers. As they are exposed to the various types of arts, we invite them to participate in classrooms where they learn to perform and read music on their own and play in ensemble. Students grow as unique individuals as they synthesize abstract ideas into original visual art creations. We utilize a variety of resources such as iPads and BenQ (tech boards) as we teach students to become critical thinkers and inclusive citizens of our world.

We believe in educating the whole child. In addition to art, music and physical education, our students are enriched by numerous activities. Ridgeway's faculty and parents support various community events, such as American Education Week, College and Career Day, Read Across America Day, Global Dinner, Grandparents Day, Wellness Week, musical performances, assemblies, and class trips. We fully embrace parents in their child's education and rely on parent engagement and community partnerships.



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<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> A/M/1	<b>7</b> B/S/2	<b>8</b> C/M/3	<b>9</b> D/S/4	<b>10</b> E/M/5	<b>11</b>  Post Rd Family Science Festival
<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> F/S/6  Kindergarten Choice Period Begins  Board of Education Meeting Education House, 7:30 pm	<b>14</b> A/M/7	<b>15</b> B/S/8	<b>16</b> C/M/1  PTA Council Meeting Education House, 7:30 pm	<b>17</b> D/S/2	<b>18</b>
<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>  Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Schools & Offices Closed	<b>21</b> E/M	<b>22</b> F/S	<b>23</b> A/M	<b>24</b> B/S	<b>25</b>  WPHS & Rochambeau Regents/Midterms/Finals  Second Marking Period Ends for Secondary Schools
<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> C/M/3	<b>28</b> D/S/4	<b>29</b>  Lunar New Year Schools & Offices Closed	<b>30</b> E/M/5	<b>31</b> F/S/6	Report Cards Go Home for Secondary Schools

# JANUARY 2025

- 7 MAS-PTA Meeting, 7 pm
- 8 WPMS-PTA Meeting
- 9 WPHS-Winter Concert III, 7 pm
- 10-11 WPHS-Winter Play, 7 pm
- 10 WPHS-PTA Meeting, 7 pm
- 13 Post Rd-One School One Book Launch
- 14 Church St, Ridgeway-PTA Meetings, 7 pm
- 15 WPMS-PTA Curriculum Night, at Highlands (6th grade parents)
- 17 GW-Careers Day
- 21 Church St-Family Reading Night, 6:30 pm
- 22 WPMS/Eastview-International Night

- 23 WPHS-Guidance Night, Junior College Application Toolkit, 6:30 pm
- 24-25 WPHS-Songwriter's Winter Showcase
- 27-31 Post Rd-PARP Read-A-Thon
- 27 MAS-PARP Month Begins (1/27-2/13)
- 28 Post Rd-Family Reading Night, 6:30 pm
- 30 GW-Talent Show Rehearsal
- 31 Church St-One Book One School Reveal
- MAS-Multicultural Global Gathering
- Ridgeway-College & Career Day
- GW, Ridgeway-Talent Shows, 6:30 pm (Ridgeway Snow date, 2/7)





# WHITE PLAINS MIDDLE SCHOOL



**“One School ... Two Campuses”**

White Plains Middle School serves students on two campuses. Eastview is our Grade 6 Campus and the Highlands Campus is home to our 7th and 8th grade students.

Both Eastview and Highlands are organized using interdisciplinary teams at each grade level. As a basis for social-emotional development and learning, teams provide a nurturing, supportive environment to meet the needs of each student.

Eastview’s schedule runs on A-F letter days. Highlands runs on an alternating day schedule with days labeled “M” or “S”. Each school day is composed of nine, forty-two minute periods.

The AVID program is available at both campuses. Regents level mathematics courses are available to qualified students in grades 7 and 8 and all grade 8 students take Regents Earth Science. A wide variety of extracurricular activities is available at both campuses.

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Mr. Dixon

### Grade 6

Morning Announcements in Auditorium 7:35 am  
First Class Begins 7:47 am  
Lunch Periods 10:47 am-12:15 pm  
Dismissal 2:30 pm



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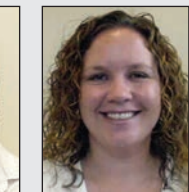
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### Grades 7-8

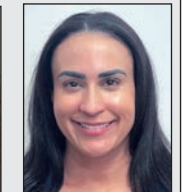
Entrance Bell 7:35 am  
First Class Begins 7:44 am  
Lunch Periods 10:46 am-12:58 pm  
9th-Period Day Dismissal 2:30 pm



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<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> F/S/4  Board of Education Meeting Education House, 7:30 pm	<b>11</b> A/M/5	<b>12</b> B/S/6	<b>13</b> C/M/7	<b>14</b> D/S/8  Valentine's Day	<b>15</b>
<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>  Presidents' Day Schools & Offices Closed	<b>18</b>  Winter Recess Schools Closed	<b>19</b>  Winter Recess Schools Closed	<b>20</b>  Winter Recess Schools Closed	<b>21</b>  Winter Recess Schools Closed	<b>22</b>
<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> E/M/1  Board of Education Budget Meeting Education House, 7 pm	<b>25</b> F/S/2	<b>26</b> A/M/3	<b>27</b> B/S/4	<b>28</b> C/M/5  Kindergarten Choice Period Begins	

# FEBRUARY 2025

- 1-28 Church Street-Read-a-Thon
- 3-7 Post Rd-Kindness Week/Souper Bowl
- 3 Special Needs Parent Meeting, 7 pm
- 4 MAS-PTA Meeting, 7 pm (Zoom)
- 5 GW-Read-A-Thon Begins  
Rochambeau-Wellness Day
- 6 WPHS-Guidance Night, Program Planning, 6:30 pm
- 7 Church St-Valentine's Craft Night, 6:30 pm  
Post Rd-Sweetheart Dance, 7 pm
- 7-9 WPHS-Musical
- 10-14 WPMS/Eastview-Spirit Week
- 11 MAS-Family Reading Night, 6:30 pm  
Post Rd-Family Math Night, 6:30 pm

- 11 GW-PTA Meeting, 7 pm
- 12 GW-Read-A-Thon Ends  
WPMS-PTA Meeting
- 13 MAS-PARP Finale  
WPHS-Mid-Winter Concert I, 7 pm
- 14 Church St-Kindness Day  
MAS-Staff Valentine's Breakfast  
Rochambeau-Valentine's Day Cupid Challenge
- 25 Post Rd-PTA Meeting, 7 pm
- 26 GW-STEM Set-Up, 6:30-7:30 pm
- 27 GW-STEM Fair, 6:30 pm
- 28 Post Rd.-Black History Month Celebration





# WHITE PLAINS HIGH SCHOOL

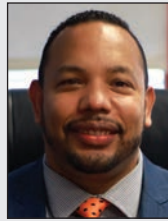
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**Grades 9-12**

School Begins 7:40 am  
 Dismissal 2:35 pm



Mr. Martinez



White Plains High School, located on a beautiful 75-acre campus, offers over 400 courses to ninth through twelfth graders. The District takes great pride in the school's rich diversity, unique breadth of educational opportunity, impressive facilities, and highly qualified staff. The school is committed to providing a challenging academic program and an enriching co-curricular program for all of its students. A \$28 million expansion and renovation project was completed several years ago and includes new science labs, media center, cafeteria, and atrium.

From Advanced Placement courses in all major subjects to participation in the Early College Experience (ACE) Program at Westchester Community College, the quality of the school's programs is reflected each year in the honors and awards achieved by individual students, teams and groups. Extracurricular programs include 67 clubs, literary publications and performing arts groups, in addition to 73 athletic teams.

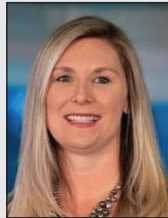
The essences of White Plains High School is embodied in the District's mission statement: "to educate and inspire all students, while nurturing their dreams, so they learn continually, think critically, pursue their aspirations and contribute to a diverse and dynamic world."



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<b>9</b>  Daylight Savings Time Set clocks ahead one hour	<b>10</b> C/M/3  Parent Conferences Noon Dismissal, Grades K-5*  Board of Education Meeting Education House, 7:30 pm	<b>11</b> D/S/4	<b>12</b> E/M/5	<b>13</b> F/S/6	<b>14</b> A/M/7  Second Marking Period Ends for Elementary Schools	<b>15</b>
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# MARCH 2025

\* Church Street School dismisses at 11:30 am.  
\*\* If schools are closed for more than four days due to weather, schools will be open in the following order: March 25, 26, 27 & 28.

- 3-7 Church St-Spirit Week
- 3-14 Ridgeway-Read-A-Thon
- 5 WPMS/Eastview-Curriculum Night, 7 pm (5th grade parents)
- 6 WPHS-Mid-Winter Concert II, 7 pm
- 11 Post Rd-Evening of the Arts, 5:30-7:30 pm  
MAS-PTA Meeting, 7 pm (Zoom)
- 12 WPMS-PTA Meeting
- 13 GW-Jump GW Cares  
Church St-Talent Show, 5:30 pm  
WPHS-Mid-Winter Concert III, 7 pm
- 14-15 WPHS-Songwriter's Mid-Winter Showcase
- 14 Rochambeau-Pi Day Celebration  
WPMS-Spring Musical, 7 pm

- 15 WPMS-Spring Musical, 3 pm
- 17-21 Post Rd-Spirit Week
- 17 WPHS-Spring Sports Begin
- 18 MAS-Family Fitness Night, 6:30 pm
- 21 Post Rd-Jump for World Downs Syndrome
- 24-28 GW-Scholastic Book Fair
- 25 Church St-Invention Convention  
GW-Family Math Night, 6:30 pm  
Post Rd-STEM Fair, 6:30 pm
- 26 WPHS-Portfolio Exhibition Reception, 6:30 pm
- 27 WPHS-Guidance Night, College Panel, 6:30 pm
- 28-29 WPHS-Spring Play, 7 pm





# ROCHAMBEAU SCHOOL

**Rochambeau Alternative High School**  
**228 Fisher Avenue 10606**  
**Tel: 914-422-2420**  
**Fax: 914-335-8126**



**Community School  
 GED Program**

**Grades 9-12**

School Begins 8:30 am  
 Dismissal 2:42 pm

Ms. Murrell

Khali Murrell ..... Director  
 khalimurrell@wpcsd.k12.ny.us  
 Nathalie Forbes ..... Office Manager  
 nathalieforbes@wpcsd.k12.ny.us

*Rochambeau, founded in 1971, offers an academic alternative to White Plains High School students. This school affords ninth through twelfth graders an individualized approach to an array of academics, including college preparatory courses.*

*Each year, the Rochambeau Alternative High School's nurturing and supportive approach helps guide more than 150 young people who might otherwise have been "lost" in a traditional school setting. Often students who are overwhelmed or overlooked in a larger setting flourish in this smaller, more personal atmosphere. At Rochambeau, the accent is always on a community atmosphere where the entire staff works together to promote the success of each child.*

*Students may expand their educational opportunities by taking courses at White Plains High School as well as take part in High School extracurricular activities and athletic teams. We are also fortunate to have a division of the White Plains Youth Bureau housed in our building, providing additional support in the areas of employment, the college process and character education.*

*In addition, we have two distinctive programs that serve under our organizational unit of Alternative Programs. The Community School and TASC Programs designed to meet each student's academic, social, and/or emotional needs.*

*Our mission is to provide a dynamic educational environment which*

- reflects and respects individual differences and cultural diversity
- challenges all students to achieve a high level of academic success
- nurtures talent
- creates opportunities for the development of responsible and productive citizens

Rochambeau ROCKS!



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Doug Cronk .....President  
 Michael Eaton .....President-Elect  
 Mark Russo ..... VP, Negotiations  
 Sara Hall ..... VP, Benefits  
 Robert Janowitz ..... VP, PGLD  
 Kimberly Crawford ..... Secretary  
 Gaetano Vitiello ..... Treasurer

### WHITE PLAINS TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

White Plains High School  
 Room A012  
 White Plains, New York 10605  
 wpta1@aol.com  
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 Fax: 914-761-5306

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Eastview School  
 350 Main Street  
 White Plains, New York 10601  
 914-422-2438, or contact  
 monicaalvarez@wpcsd.k12.ny.us  
 Policy Board Chair: Rhoda Havis



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# APRIL 2025

\*If schools are closed for more than three days due to weather, schools will be open in the following order: April 17, 16 & 15.

- 1 Post Rd-Family Fitness Night, 6:30 pm
- WPMS/Highlands-Modified Spring Sports Begin
- 2 WPMS-PTA Meeting
- 3 WPHS-Underclass Awards Ceremony, 7:45 am
- 4 Church St-Family Fitness Night, 6:30 pm
- WPHS-Junior Prom, 6 pm
- 7-11 Rochambeau-Spirit Week
- 8 GW-Parent Workshop, 7 pm
- MAS, Post Rd-PTA Meetings, 7 pm
- 9 City-Wide Orchestra Festival, WPHS, 7 pm
- WPHS-Parent Tours
- 10 WPHS-National Honor Society Induction Ceremony, 6:30 pm
- 11 GW-Disney Day
- Post Rd-College & Career Day

- Rochambeau-Career Day
- Ridgeway-PTA Meeting, 7 pm
- 22 MAS-Math Night, 6:30 pm
- Post Rd-Family Fitness Night, 6:30 pm
- 23 WPMS-National Junior Honor Society Induction Ceremony, 6 pm
- WPMS/Eastview-Parent Tours (5th grade parents)
- 24-31 WPHS-Portfolio Exhibition
- 24 WPHS-National Art Honor Society Induction Ceremony, 6:30 pm
- 25 Ridgeway-Grandparents Day
- Church St- Multicultural Celebration, 6:30 pm
- GW-Children's International Festival, 6:30 pm
- 26 WPHS-Portfolio Week Reception
- 30 WPMS/Eastview-Winter Concert, 7 pm





# WHITE PLAINS PTA COUNCIL

[wpptacouncil@gmail.com](mailto:wpptacouncil@gmail.com)

PTA Council is the coordinating body and forum for the White Plains Public School PTAs. Its members are the Council officers, committee chairpersons, PTA presidents and council delegates from each school. The Council meets once a month to exchange ideas and concerns with one another, with the Superintendent of Schools and with members of the administration, Board of Education and staff, and to discuss and act on districtwide issues. The schedule for these open meetings is listed in this calendar.

(Election of new officers will take place in September)

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Donna Keane..... Co-President  
 Kate Scorza Ingram..... Co-President  
 Tracy Viola ..... VP, Advocacy  
 Kristen Lalla ..... VP, Communications  
 ..... VP Programs  
 Amy Handelsman..... Recording Secretary  
 Lisa Doherty..... Treasurer  
 Kelley Biondi, Jeff Lewis ..... Past Presidents

## STANDING COMMITTEES

Leslie Hickey ..... Budget  
 Lauren Walsh..... Enrichment & Curriculum  
 Tracey Zimmerman..... Hospitality  
 Victoria Ceratto..... Hospitality  
 Anna Mazzara ..... Special Needs  
 Leonard Gruenfeld ..... Walk/Bike Safety  
 Patrick Tighe ..... Safe Schools Task Force  
 Miguel Sanchez ..... Community Outreach  
 ..... Free Book Fair  
 Liz Muray ..... Wellness Committee

## UNIT PRESIDENTS

Danielle Iglesias ..... Church Street School  
 Thuyet To ..... Church Street School  
 Beverly Walker ..... George Washington School  
 Amy Vendatham..... George Washington School  
 Jillian Dino ..... Mamaroneck Ave School  
 Mike Naclerio ..... Mamaroneck Ave School  
 Diana Tapia..... Post Road School  
 Tayla Harper ..... Post Road School  
 Kelli Teglas ..... Ridgeway School  
 Taryn Friedman ..... Ridgeway School  
 Sara Elkin..... WPMS PTA  
 Candice Turner..... WPMS PTA  
 Lynn Ryan..... White Plains High School  
 Annalisa Weigand..... White Plains High School

## UNIT DELEGATES

Kristyne Milazzo ..... Church Street School  
 Christina Glynn..... George Washington School  
 Ana Moreno-Harper..... George Washington School  
 Sarah Davis..... Mamaroneck Ave School  
 Glenda Orlando ..... Mamaroneck Ave School  
 Caitlin Kirkland ..... Post Road  
 Joanna Efstathiou-Dittmar ..... Ridgeway  
 Barbara McCann ..... Ridgeway  
 Siobhan White..... WPMS PTA  
 Leslie Friedman ..... WPHS PTA  
 Tracy Viola ..... WPHS PTA

## SPECIAL NEEDS COMMITTEE

The White Plains Special Needs PTA Committee, an arm of the PTA Council, is open to any parent, teacher, student, administrator or person who is interested in Special Education issues and advocacy. There are Special Needs Parent Liaisons at each building. Please see the individual school pages for names of each representative.

## SPECIAL NEEDS REPS

Caryn Arias..... Church Street School  
 Anna Mazzara ..... George Washington School  
 Jaclyn Yackly ..... Mamaroneck Ave School  
 Jaclyn Yackly ..... Post Road  
 Lauren Carasso ..... Ridgeway  
 Sonya Simmons ..... Middle School  
 Shannon Nella..... High School

## BOE REPRESENTATIVES

Jessica Buck ..... [jessicabuck@wpcsd.k12.ny.us](mailto:jessicabuck@wpcsd.k12.ny.us)  
 Rosemarie Eller..... [rosemarieeller@wpcsd.k12.ny.us](mailto:rosemarieeller@wpcsd.k12.ny.us)

## TEACHER LIAISON

Lee Moore..... WPTA





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4	5 A/M/5  May 5-16 WPHS AP Exams	6 B/S/6	7 C/M/7	8 D/S/8  Loucks Games	9 E/M/1  Loucks Games	10  Loucks Games
11  Mother's Day	12 F/S/2  May 12-23 NYSESLAT Listening, Reading, Writing Test  Board of Education Meeting High School, 7:30 pm	13 A/M/3	14 B/S/4	15 C/M/5  PTA Council Meeting Education House, 7:30 pm	16 D/S/6	17  Church St. 5th Grade Car Wash 10 am-4 pm
18	19 E/M/7	20 F/S/8  Board of Education Budget Vote & Election Noon-9 pm	21 A/M/1  Board of Education Meeting Education House, 5:30 pm	22* B/S/2	23* C/M/3	24
25	26  Memorial Day Schools & Offices Closed	27* D/S/4	28 E/M/5	29 F/S/6	30 A/M/7	31

# MAY 2025

- 1-4 WPHS-Portfolio Exhibition
- 1 WPHS-Spring Concert I, 7 pm
- 2 Ridgeway-Global Dinner/Silent Auction, 5:30 pm
- 5-9 Church St, GW, MAS, Post Rd-Teacher & Staff Appreciation
- 6-9 GW-Teacher Appreciation
- 6 Post Rd-Teacher/Staff Appreciation Luncheon
- 7 WPMS/Highlands-7th Grade Spring Concert, 7 pm
- WPMS/Eastview-Spring Concert, 7 pm
- 8 WPHS-PTA Meeting, 7 pm
- 8-9 Church St-Spring Boutique
- 9 Ridgeway-Spring Plant Sale
- 12-16 Church St-Math Competition, Grades 3-5
- 13 GW, MAS-PTA Meetings, 7 pm
- 14 WPMS/Highlands-8th Grade Spring Concert, 7 pm

- 15 WPHS-Senior Awards Night, 6 pm
- Rochambeau-Art Show, 7 pm
- 16-17 NYSSMA Down County Music Festival
- 16 WPHS-PTA Staff Appreciation Lunch
- MAS-Family/Staff Fun Night & Picnic, 5:30 pm (Rain date 5/30)
- 20 WPMS/Highlands-8th Grade Awards, 12:30 pm
- Post Rd-Spring Concert, 6:30 pm
- Ridgeway-Spring Concert
- WPHS-Spring Concert II, 7 pm
- 21 MAS-Health Fair
- Rochambeau-Stoney Hill Cemetery Community Cleanup
- WPMS/Highlands-Advanced Art Show, 5-7 pm
- WPMS-PTA Meeting
- 23-24 WPHS-Songwriter's Spring Showcase, 7 pm



- 24 WPMS/Highlands-Honor Roll Assembly
- 27-30 Church St-Spelling Bee, Grades 2-5
- 29 WPHS-Senior Prom, 6 pm



# GENERAL INFORMATION AND POLICIES

## ATTENDANCE

In the elementary and middle schools, a written excuse signed by the parent is required following any absence or tardiness. Written excuses also are necessary for dismissal of a child before regular closing time. Excused and unexcused absences are defined in a policy that is distributed to all parents at the start of the school year.

Parents are required to telephone the school if a child will be absent. Check with the school for the appropriate number to call.

The school office must be notified if anyone other than a parent or guardian is to pick up a child for either early or regular dismissal.

At White Plains High School, following an absence, the student should bring a note or letter signed by a parent or guardian. The note or letter must include the student's name, the date(s) of absence, reason for the absence, and the parent's/guardian's signature. High School students whose absences are excused are responsible to make up work missed.

Secondary school parents and students will be informed about specific attendance policies that pertain to their schools.

A summary of the Attendance Policy is enclosed in the calendar mailing.



## CODE OF CONDUCT

In keeping with requirements of the Project SAVE legislation (Safe Schools Against Violence in Education Act) enacted by the State, the Board of Education adopted a Code of Conduct in June of 2001. The Code was developed around the belief that a dynamic educational environment is one that creates opportunities for the development of responsible and productive citizens, where everyone is treated with respect and dignity, and where decisions are based solely on what works best for students.

The District has a long history of high expectations for acceptable behavior and this comprehensive document incorporates and expands upon many of the policies and programs that have been in use in the District for some time. It was designed around six core principles that govern its implementation:

- A safe and orderly school environment is essential to learning.
- Students, staff and visitors will be held responsible for their own actions.
- Home/school partnerships are critical to success.
- School rules and their implementation should be fair, just and reflect an anti-bias mindset.
- Progressive consequences and restorative justice provide opportunities for students to learn from their mistakes.
- Respect must be given for each person's unique needs.

The document has been updated to insure compliance with the Dignity for All Students Act and includes Rights and Responsibilities, Dress Code, Student Conduct, Reporting of Violations, Student Disciplinary Penalties, Procedures and Referrals, Discipline of Students with Disabilities, Corporal Punishment, Student Searches and Interrogations, and Public Conduct on School Property.

A copy of the full Code is available on the District website or from the office of the Assistant Superintendent for Special Education and Pupil Services, 422-2034.

## Drug Policy

The Board of Education policy and administrative regulations regarding drugs reflect a concern for all students. They provide a framework to promote healthy life styles for students and staff in order to prevent the use/abuse of tobacco, alcohol and controlled substances.

The policy covers possession and use/abuse of tobacco, alcohol and illegal drugs. It expressly prohibits the carrying, possession, use, purveyance, or placement anywhere on Board-owned premises of any dangerous drugs or implements associated with their use as defined in New York State Penal Law. The same prohibition applies to school-sponsored activities.

Administrative regulations aim to secure any help

which may be needed by an individual student or staff member. The policy provides for suspension where warranted.

## Dignity For All Students Act

Following enactment of this Statewide legislation, the District adopted a policy relating to Dignity For All Students Act (DASA). In White Plains, all forms of discrimination, harassment, hazing and/or bullying are strictly prohibited. Instruction concerning awareness and sensitivity to these issues is included in the K-12 program. Students, parents and staff who observe bullying behavior are expected to report such incidents. If appropriate, disciplinary action will be taken by the administration in accordance with the District's Code of Conduct.

A copy of the complete policy is posted on the District website, along with a bullying complaint form.

## CODE OF ETHICS, GIFTS

A Code of Ethics, adopted by the Board of Education, sets forth the standards of conduct expected of members and employees. The Code deals with conflict of interest, private employment, disclosure of interest in legislation, confidential information, and other matters. Copies of the Code of Ethics are available at the Board of Education offices, 5 Homestead Lane.

The administration also has adopted a policy of discouraging the collection of money or giving of gifts to teachers and other staff members. Items of little value or items made by students are appropriate.

## FAMILY INFORMATION CENTER

The Family Information Center is a resource for families whose children attend our schools and for individuals who are thinking of moving to White Plains. Staff provide information on the school district and the Controlled Parents' Choice Program and assist families in the District with school-related questions or concerns. All new entrants to the District enroll here. (See Registration section.)

The Center (914-422-2038) is open year round. The office is closed from 12-1 pm. The primary entrance is located at 17 Amherst Place.

## FOOD AND NUTRITION PROGRAM

Students in the White Plains City School District receive breakfast and lunch meals free of charge. Breakfast meals will be "Grab & Go" to the classroom and are available as students enter school or on the cafeteria serving line.

Although all meals are free, student ID cards are issued to track and count meals. Students grades K-5, receive a "bus pass", to be secured to the backpack to access grab & go breakfast upon entering school. A student ID card

is issued to the student, in class, to access lunch meals. Students in grades 6 - 12 are encouraged to use their issued student ID card in the cafeteria but may also enter their student ID number. Funds can be added to student lunch accounts, online, through [www.myschoolbucks.com](http://www.myschoolbucks.com), for 2nd meals or a la carte snack purchases. We encourage a "cashless" cafeteria to increase speed of service, but accept cash and checks made payable to WPCSD Food & Nutrition.

All WPCSD families are encouraged to complete a Household Income Benefit Eligibility Form (formerly school meals application). A new form must be completed each year, after July 1. Completing this form is vital for obtaining district-wide educational programs including, but not limited to grants, funding, and other benefits such as waived test fees, reduced instrument pricing and internet connectivity assistance. The form is available online at [www.myschoolapps.com](http://www.myschoolapps.com).

Monthly menus are available online at [schools.mealviewer.com](http://schools.mealviewer.com) to assist students and parents with meal planning. Menus include a variety of hot and cold entrées, featuring student favorites, along with a variety of fresh, local New York State fruits and vegetables, with every meal. Healthy snack choices are available as an a la carte purchase.

**Allergies?** The Food & Nutrition Department will work with parents, medical providers, school nurses, and a Registered Dietitian to develop a modified menu for your student.

For more information, please visit the Food & Nutrition Office page on the WPCSD website: <https://www.whiteplainspublicschools.org/district-offices/food-services>

Questions or comments? Please call the Food & Nutrition Office at 914-422-2054. (Se habla Español)

Dawn McGinn, Food & Nutrition Program Director  
Milagros Vargas, Sr. Clerk & Office Manager



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> B/S/8	<b>3</b> C/M/1	<b>4</b> D/S/2 WPHS & Rochambeau Regents Exams	<b>5</b> E/M/3	<b>6</b> F/S/4	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> A/M/5 Board of Education Meeting High School, 7:30 pm	<b>10</b> B/S/6 WPHS & Rochambeau Regents Exams	<b>11</b> C/M/7 Last Day of Classes for High School	<b>12</b> D/S WPHS & Rochambeau Final Exams PTA Council Meeting Education House, 7:30 pm	<b>13</b> E/M WPHS & Rochambeau Final Exams	<b>14</b>
<b>15</b> Father's Day	<b>16</b> F/S WPHS & Rochambeau Final Exams	<b>17</b> A/M WPHS & Rochambeau Regents Exams	<b>18</b> B/S WPHS & Rochambeau Regents Exams Third Marking Period Ends for Elementary Schools	<b>19</b> Juneteenth Schools & Offices Closed	<b>20</b> C/M WPHS & Rochambeau Regents Exams	<b>21</b> MAS-Incoming Kindegarten Playdate, 9 am
<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> D/S WPHS & Rochambeau Regents Exams	<b>24</b> E/M WPHS & Rochambeau Regents Exams	<b>25</b> F/S WPHS & Rochambeau Regents Exams Fourth Marking Period Ends for Secondary Schools	<b>26</b> A/M Noon Dismissal Grades K-5* 11:15 Dismissal, Grades 6-8 WPMS Moving Up WPHS Graduation, 7:30 pm WPHS & Rochambeau Regents Exams	<b>27</b> B/S Last Day of School Noon Dismissal Grades K-5* 11:15 Dismissal, Grades 6-8 WPHS & Rochambeau Regents Exams Report Cards Go Home for Elementary Schools	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>WHITE PLAINS SCHOOLS ONLINE</b> <a href="http://www.whiteplainspublicschools.org">www.whiteplainspublicschools.org</a> <a href="https://www.facebook.com/wpschools">www.facebook.com/wpschools</a> <a href="https://www.twitter.com/wplainsschools">www.twitter.com/wplainsschools</a>			MAY 2025 S M T W T F S 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	JULY 2025 S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31

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\* Church Street School dismisses at 11:30 am.

- 1 MAS-Spring Concert, 6:30 pm
- 2 Church St, Spring Concert, 6:30 pm  
Post Rd-PTA Meeting, 7 pm
- 3 GW Spring Concert, 6:30 pm
- 4 WPHS-Scholar-Athlete Awards, 7:30 am  
Senior Athletics Awards Night, 6 pm  
One Act Plays, 7 pm
- 5 WPHS-Spring Concert III, 7 pm
- 6 Church St-4th-5th Grade Spanish Spelling Bee  
GW-End of the Year Picnic, 6 pm  
Post Rd-Talent Show, 6:30 pm
- 10 Church St-Final PTA Meeting, 7 pm  
MAS, Ridgeway-PTA Meetings, 7 pm

- 11 WPHS-Senior Breakfast & BBQ  
WPMS-PTA Meeting
- 13 Church St-End of Year Celebration, 6 pm  
Ridgeway-Ice Cream Party, 6:30 pm
- 20 GW-Beach Day  
Post Rd-Popsicles & Playground Social, 5:30 pm
- 25 MAS-Moving Up, 9:15 am  
GW-5th Grade Fun Day
- 26 Church St-5th Grade Moving Up Ceremony, 9 am  
MAS-Moving Up, 9:15 am  
GW, Post Rd, Ridgeway-5th Grade Moving Up Ceremonies, 9:30 am





## FRIENDS OF WHITE PLAINS PUBLIC SCHOOLS

The Friends of White Plains Public Schools, now in its 28th year, supports the District by funding academic and cultural programs not included in the budget and by promoting greater involvement in and support for the schools among parents, the community, and alumni.

The Friends have donated more than \$550,000 to over 200 projects and activities that have enriched the educational experiences of thousands of students in all District schools. In the 2023-24 school year the Friends made 16 grants, including Beyond Broadway Dancing for all 5th graders, nature and art programs in elementary schools, graduation activities for Middle School and the educational weekend trip for the High School band and orchestra.

The Friends welcomes grant requests from teachers, principals, subject area coordinators and staff. The Friends, a 501c3 non-profit organization run entirely by volunteers, relies on contributions from parents, residents, local businesses and foundations. For more information and to donate, visit [www.FriendsofWPPS.org](http://www.FriendsofWPPS.org) or call 914-860-4945.

## HEALTH

New York State mandates and Board of Education policies regarding immunizations must be met prior to a child being admitted to school. More specific information may be obtained from the Family Information Center, 914-422-2038, or the Office of Medical and Health Services, 914-422-2011.

State Education Law requires a physical examination for children entering grades PreK, K, 1, 3, 5, 7, 9 and 11, and for new entrants to the school district. As of July 2018, all physical exams must be on the state-approved form. Please send a

copy of the physical exam to the School Nurse as soon as it is completed. Results of state-mandated health screenings will be sent to parents/guardians if follow-up with a physician is necessary. A certificate of dental examination is requested as well. If your child has a serious medical condition or allergy, please discuss this with the School Nurse at the beginning of the school year.

Requests for the administration of any type of medication must go through the School Nurse. An Administration of Medication form must be signed by a parent/guardian and the prescribing physician. This medication should be provided in a labeled container with the student's name on it. This includes Epinephrine Auto Injectors, Asthma Inhalers, Insulin, and Glucagon.

Parents are requested to notify the School Nurse if their child develops a contagious disease. A physician's note is required when the child returns to school stating he/she is no longer contagious.

The Board of Education requires a physical examination prior to participation in interscholastic sports. This exam may be performed by the student's own physician or by a school physician. Private physician exams must be submitted on the state-approved forms. These exams are valid for 12 consecutive months. Highlands and High School students who wish to play interscholastic sports must register on **Family ID** and submit required documentation through the program. Instructions may be found on the Athletic and Health Services websites. <https://www.familyid.com/pages/home>.

Blank Physical Examination forms and Administration of Medication forms may be obtained from the Office of Medical and Health Services, Family Information Center or the School Nurse. All school district health-related forms are available and may be printed from the District website, [www.whiteplainspublicschools.org](http://www.whiteplainspublicschools.org).

Student health information is confidential and will not be shared with others unless it is necessary for the health and safety of the child.

## HUMAN RESOURCES

The Human Resources Department has responsibility for all issues related to the personnel area involving teachers, administrators, managers, substitutes, and Civil Service staff members. All aspects of recruitment, hiring, fingerprinting, and health benefits are coordinated by the department. The recruiting and interviewing process is open and inclusive, and every attempt is made to involve staff and parents on interviewing committees for administrative and teaching positions.

In addition, the department coordinates employment decisions regarding tenure and permanent status for staff members. Stringent tenure standards are maintained, with the goal of awarding tenure to teachers who have demonstrated a superior level of knowledge, skills and professional commitment.

The District also sponsors various programs for professional growth and development and supports the Staff Development Center located at 350 Main Street.

Information about employment opportunities within the White Plains City School District may be found on the Human Resources portion of the District's website.

## NONDISCRIMINATION POLICIES

In compliance with federal and NY State requirements, the Board of Education of the White Plains City School

District and its officers and employees shall not discriminate against any student, employee or applicant on the basis of age, race, creed, color, national origin, sexual orientation, military status, sex, disability, religion, or marital status.

Any individual who believes that his or her employment rights have been violated may file a charge of discrimination with the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. Any student who believes that his or her educational opportunities have been violated may make inquiries or complaints to the Title IX on Section 504 Coordinator for the White Plains City School District, 5 Homeside Lane, White Plains, New York 10605, 914-422-2000.

Individuals who need auxiliary aids for effective communication or reasonable accommodations to participate and benefit equally from programs and services are invited to make their needs known to the Section 504 Coordinator for the White Plains City School District, 5 Homeside Lane, White Plains, New York 10605, 914-422-2000. Parents desiring auxiliary aids or reasonable accommodations to attend school events involving their child(ren) shall make such requests no later than two (2) weeks prior to the event.

## POLICIES AND REGULATIONS

Board policies and regulations are available at each school and Education House. These are matters of public record and any interested citizen may peruse them. The books themselves, however, must remain within the building.

## PTA

PTA is an active and enthusiastic partner in the educational system in White Plains. Each school in the District is supported by a PTA unit which provides, among other things: family-oriented activities, assembly programs, lunchtime enrichment activities, in-school volunteers, parent education and support programs. These and other activities are financed through membership dues and fundraising activities conducted by the PTAs.

The White Plains Special Needs PTA Committee, an arm of the PTA Council, is open to any parent, administrator, teacher, student, or person who is interested in Special Education issues and advocacy.



## PUPIL SERVICES

Pupil Services are specialized social, emotional, medical and educational services, which help a child have a successful and rewarding school experience. Professional assistance and support are provided to students, their families and staff in the following areas: guidance and counseling, health services, special education services, and homebound instruction.

## REGISTRATION

All new entrants register at the Family Information Center located at 500 North Street or online on the Family Information Center's website.

Kindergarten students for 2025-2026 must be five years old on or before December 31, 2026. Children eligible for kindergarten in September 2025, must register at the Family Information Center, in accordance with the procedures established as part of the Controlled Parents' Choice Program.

Learn about registration requirements at [www.whiteplainspublicschools.org/registrations](http://www.whiteplainspublicschools.org/registrations).

## REPORT CARDS/PARENT CONFERENCES

Report cards are issued three times a year for all students from kindergarten through fifth grade and four times a year for Middle School through High School. Elementary report cards are sent home with students. Middle and High School report cards are mailed home and posted in the online Parent Portal.

Parent/Teacher conferences are scheduled twice during the year, both in the afternoon and evening, for students at the elementary level. In addition, parents may request a conference as needed at any level.

## RESIDENCE

According to State Education Law, a child's legal school district residence generally is considered to be the legal residence of the parent, unless there is evidence that the parent has relinquished parental control.

Questions of residence for children who do not reside with their parents, and who have not been placed in a foster home by a recognized social service agency, should be referred to the Family Information Center. The school district is vigorous in its pursuit of nonresident students and will seek tuition reimbursement from families who illegally send their children to schools in White Plains.

## SCHOOL INFORMATION

Families are encouraged to sign up to receive email and phone messages from the District and the schools. K12 Alerts is our automated telephone call system used to send out announcement and attendance calls (Grades 6-12). The system has the ability to send announcements to your e-mail/cell phones as a text message and for you to update your phone numbers and emergency contacts.

Through the Parent Portal in Infinite Campus, parents have access to the following information about their children: Attendance, Student Schedule, Immunizations, State Exams, Grades, Progress Reports, and Report Cards (Grades 6-12 only).

Access information, directions and help for both K12 Alerts and Parent Portal can be found on the District website, [www.whiteplainspublicschools.org](http://www.whiteplainspublicschools.org).



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		<b>1</b>  Board of Education Reorganization Meeting Education House, 5:30 pm	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>  Independence Day	<b>5</b>
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## SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS

The White Plains Public School District utilizes the nationally-accepted, proactive program of School Resource Officers in our schools. In this program, White Plains police officers work in our schools to help deal with the pressures facing today's youth.

There are two School Resource Officers, in cooperation with the City, and funded by the School District. One is located at the High School and Rochambeau School and the other is shared by the two campuses of the Middle School and other schools as needed.

The SROs are involved in a variety of functions geared toward prevention of problems and can answer questions from students, parents and staff. The officers have positive relationships with students and staff and often informally counsel our students. They serve to maintain a safe school climate and to foster cooperative relationships between the schools and the police. The SROs are also resources for parents, faculty and the administration.

## SPECIAL EDUCATION

Special Education services are provided to students who are residents or students who attend private schools within the White Plains Public School District boundaries\* and have been identified as having a disability by either the Committee on Preschool Special Education (CPSE) or the Committee on Special Education (CSE). The CPSE serves students three and four years of age and the CSE serves students who are kindergarten-eligible through high school graduation or twenty-two years of age, whichever comes first. A referral for initial evaluation may be made in writing for students suspected of having an educational disability by:

a student's parent or person in parental relationship; a designee of the school district in which the student resides, or the public school district the student legally attends or is eligible to attend; the commissioner or designee of a public agency with responsibility for the education of the

student; or a designee of an education program affiliated with a child care institution, or a licensed physician; or a judicial officer; or a student who is 18 years of age or older.

Once a child is classified, an Individual Education Program (IEP) is developed and reviewed at least annually by the CPSE or the CSE. Re-evaluation reviews are conducted on at least a three-year basis.

The District is committed to providing educational services to students who are classified in the least restrictive environment and offers a full continuum of special education programs and services which include, but are not limited to, the following: speech/language, occupational therapy, physical therapy, counseling services, resource room, consultant teacher, integrated co-teaching, special classes in and out of district, and home instruction.

Students classified by the CSE are provided equal opportunity to participate in all instructional services and extracurricular activities, sponsored by the school district.

Concerns about a child's possible need for special education supports or services should first be discussed with the child's teachers and/or other professional staff members in the child's school. For further information about the CPSE referral process, please call 914-422-2435; for the CSE process, please call 914-422-2037. The Special Needs Committee of the PTA provides additional opportunities for parental support and information.

\*Under Chapter 378 of the Laws of 2007, the White Plains City School District is responsible, upon request, for individual evaluations, conducting the Committee on Special Education (CSE) meetings, developing Individualized Education Services Programs (IESPs) and providing special education services to students with disabilities who are parentally placed in non-public schools within our district boundaries.

The Board of Education of the White Plains City School District does not discriminate in the educational programs and activities which it operates as per the requirements of the Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. If you are aware of a child who might have a disability that may require special education services or accommodations in order to access our educational and/or extracurricular programs contact Deborah Augarten, Assistant Superintendent for Special Education & Pupil Services, 914-422-2034, [deborahaugarten@wpcsd.k12.ny.us](mailto:deborahaugarten@wpcsd.k12.ny.us).

## STUDENT ASSIGNMENT

The assignment of incoming kindergartners is governed by the rules of the Controlled Parents' Choice Program, an assignment procedure established in 1988 by the Board of Education. An Assignment Manual, available at the Family Information Center, describes the details of the program.

The procedures and rules are also described in the Manual.

Staff at the Family Information Center, 914-422-2038, are happy to answer any questions about the District's placement policy.

## STUDENT RECORDS AND PHOTOS

Under the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, parents or guardians of a student under 18 may inspect their children's school records, including material that is incorporated into each student's cumulative record folder. The law grants a similar right to students 18 or older to inspect their own records. Applications to inspect or review records must be made in writing to the building principal.

The law also enables parents to seek amendment of student education records that they believe to be inaccurate, misleading or otherwise in violation of the student's privacy rights. If the District decides not to amend the record as requested, the parent or adult student will be notified of the decision and advised of the hearing procedure to challenge the contents of a child's school records.

The Act provides parents with the right to consent to disclosures of personally identifiable information contained in the students' education records. Exceptions permitting disclosure of personally identifiable information without parental consent include disclosure to school employees, officials and certain State and Federal officials who have a legitimate educational need to access such records. In addition, the District will, upon request of parents or adult students, or if otherwise required by law, disclose student records to officials of another school district in which a student seeks to enroll.

The District may also release "directory information" without parental consent. "Directory information" includes students' names, parents' names, addresses, participation in school activities or sports, weight and height of members of athletic teams, dates of attendance, and degrees and awards received. The release of "directory information" applies equally to military recruiters, the media, colleges and universities, and prospective employers, among others.

Parents, guardians and eligible students may choose not to allow the District to release "directory information" by notifying the Superintendent's Office in writing, 5 Homeside Lane, White Plains, New York, 10605, by October 1st of each school year. Parents of High School students will receive a separate letter regarding the release of directory information to military recruiters.

During the school year photographs may be taken and videotapes may be made of classes or activities involving various students. These photos may become public. Parents or guardians who wish their children to be excluded from such photos or videos must notify the school office in writing by October 1st of each school year. This also applies to photos which may be used on the District's website.

## SUPPORT & ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS

The District offers a wide variety of programs and services to supplement or enrich the curriculum. Among these are programs such as Artists-in-Residence, English as a New Language, Learning Strategies, and Dual Language.

We offer enrichment in English Language Arts, Mathematics, and Visual Reasoning at the elementary and secondary levels as well as Project Lead the Way



Launch to all elementary students and Project Lead the Way elective courses in Engineering and Computer Science to secondary students. We offer more than 19 different Advanced Placement courses and 27 Dual Enrollment courses at the high school level that allow students to earn college credit.

We collaborate extensively with nearby universities and corporations and make the District's Cablevision Channel 77 and Verizon Channel 46 available for school related use. In addition we use social media including FaceBook and Twitter as well as our website and various apps to communicate with our families.

For further information on any of the above, please check the "For Easy Reference" guide on the inside back cover of this calendar.

## TESTING

Students in grades 3 through 8 take the New York State English Language Arts (ELA) Test and the New York State Math test in April-May. These tests assess the New York State Next Generation Learning Standards and include multiple choice and short answer questions and extended responses. In 2025, all students in grades 3-8 will take the computer-based form of the ELA and Math tests.

In 2025, our fifth graders will be taking the New York State Science Exam. This is an updated exam that is aligned with the New York State Science Learning standards.

English Language Learners take the New York State English as a Second Language Achievement Test (NYSESLAT) in April and May.

All high school students are required to take Regents-level exams. In addition, all eighth-grade students take the NYS Regents Exam in Earth Science and many seventh and eighth grade students take the NYS Regents Exams in Geometry and Algebra if they are enrolled in these High School level courses. Information about middle and high school testing can be found in the White Plains Middle and High School Course Booklets.



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# AUGUST 2025





## TEST DATES FOR COLLEGE ADMISSIONS & SCHOLARSHIPS - 2024-2025

### College Board Tests

#### HIGH SCHOOL CODE – 335955

The SAT REASONING TEST will be administered on the test dates listed below at White Plains High School, Center Number 33-994. All tests will be administered in the morning.

It is recommended that Seniors take the October, November, or December SAT REASONING TEST. It is recommended that Juniors take the March, May or June SAT REASONING TEST. Please consult the Guidance Department's website for specific information regarding the most appropriate timetable for taking these college-level tests and for information on standardized testing. Registration materials are available in the Guidance Offices in September. Students may also register on-line at [www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org)

#### REGISTRATION DEADLINES

#### TEST DATES

Oct. 5, 2024	Sept. 20, 2024
Nov. 2, 2024	Oct. 18, 2024
Dec. 7, 2024	Nov. 22, 2024
Mar. 8, 2025	Feb. 21, 2025
May 3, 2025	Apr. 18, 2025
June 7, 2025	May 22, 2025

#### ACT - High School: Code: 335955

The American College Test, similar to the SAT and accepted by many colleges and universities, has four parts: English, Reading, Mathematics, and Science.

The ACT will be offered at WPHS (Test Center Code 154520) on the following dates:

TEST DATES	REGISTRATION DEADLINES
Oct. 26, 2024	Sept. 20, 2024
Apr. 5, 2025	Feb. 28, 2025
June 14, 2025	May 9, 2025

#### Other Important Test Dates

#### Oct. 23, 2024 Preliminary Scholastic Assessment Test/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT)

This test will be offered at White Plains High School. The White Plains School District will sponsor this examination for sophomores and juniors.

#### May 5-16, 2025 Advanced Placement (AP) Examinations

**PLEASE NOTE:** All students enrolled in an AP class must take the ADVANCED PLACEMENT examination. Registration and payment of fees take place at WPHS during the month of October.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** It is the student's responsibility to register or apply on time for tests. Counselors are available to answer questions.

## TRANSPORTATION

The Board of Education transports students in grades K-5 who reside more than 1/2 mile from their schools and students in grades 6-12 who reside more than 1 mile from their schools. As mandated by state law, students with disabilities are entitled to transportation, as specified in their IEP, to and from special classes or programs up to 50 miles from the home of such student. Additionally, as per State Law, the District provides transportation to students attending non-public schools within the City of White Plains. Parents of private or parochial school students who desire transportation must file an application for each student by April 1 for service to begin the subsequent school year, or in the case of new residents, within 30 days of moving to White Plains. Applications are available at the schools and the District's Transportation Office and must be submitted yearly if transportation is needed. Written requests for transportation to or from a childcare location must be submitted by the parent or legal guardian no later than April 1 of each school year. To provide for the safety and welfare of students, District buses are equipped with video cameras. Parents are encouraged to support the safety practices and procedures such as:

- students use of seat belts
- students carrying ID at all times and using it to enter and exit the bus, to ensure their whereabouts.

The Transportation Handbook is available on the District's website. Bus route information will be made available through the Parent Portal of Infinite Campus. Questions regarding transportation should be directed to the Transportation Office at 914-422-2110.

## VISITORS

Throughout the year, there are many opportunities for parents to visit classrooms, including parent/teacher conference days and American Education Week. Parents who wish to meet with their child's teacher/principal should either call the teacher/principal or send a note or email requesting a meeting. When requesting the appointment, parents should indicate when they are available to come into the school.

To ensure the safety of our students, all visitors must report to the school office upon entering a building and present photo identification to receive a visitor's pass. The District will inform parents of any necessary changes in visitor policies to ensure the health and safety of our students, staff and families.

## VOLUNTEERS AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

Students are encouraged to volunteer through a Community Service Program at White Plains High School in which they receive recognition and Community Service credit on their transcripts for 60 or more hours of service. Assistance is provided to secure placement in local agencies and organizations.

Adult volunteers are welcome in the White Plains Schools. For further information, call 422-2013.



## WEATHER EMERGENCIES

Families will be notified of school closings or delayed openings in bad weather via K12 Alerts. Tune in to radio station WFAS (1230 AM, 103.9 FM), the District's cable TV stations - Cablevision Channel 77 or Fios Channel 46 - or the District's website, [www.whiteplainspublicschools.org](http://www.whiteplainspublicschools.org). Please do not call the schools or the Board of Education. For delayed openings, buses (including those for private schools and special education) will operate one or more hours later than the usual schedule, as announced.

Bulletins will be broadcast by radio stations WCBS (880 AM) and WINS (1010 AM), Television stations WNYW (Channel 5), News 12 (Channel 12), WNBC-TV (Channel 4), WABC-TV (Channel 7), and WCBS-TV (Channel 2).

Parents who are not home during the day should make provisions for their children to go to the home of a friend or neighbor if bad weather requires an early closing. An alternate emergency phone number should be given to the child, filed with the school and updated with K12 Alerts when there are any changes.

When District schools are closed due to bad weather, no transportation will be provided for BOCES, private/parochial or special education schools normally serviced by the school district.

When private or special education schools announce a delayed opening that is in conflict with the District's schedule, the District will do its best to accommodate the delay, but cannot guarantee that buses will run at the time announced by the specific school.

If schools are closed for more than four days due to weather, schools will be open in the following order: April 17, 16 and 15.

If no snow days are used, schools will be closed on May 22, 23, and 27.

If one snow day is used, schools will be closed on May 23 and 27.

If two days are used, schools will be closed on May 27.



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	<b>1</b> <small>Labor Day</small>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
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# SEPTEMBER 2025





## WORKING PAPERS

Working papers are required for the employment of any boy or girl from the age of 14 to 18. Middle School students may obtain an application form from the School Nurse; High School and Rochambeau School students from their Main offices.

To secure working papers, the applicant needs the signature of a parent/guardian on the application form, proof of age and a physical fitness certificate (not more than one year old) from a private or school physician.

Applications and permits also may be obtained at the Family Information Center located at 17 Amherst Place. Call 914-422-2038 for further information.

## YOUTH BUREAU PROGRAMS

The White Plains Youth Bureau of the City of White Plains provides a range of youth development services for White Plains youth throughout the year. Before school programming is available at all elementary schools and Afterschool Centers are run at all elementary schools and at Eastview and Highlands Middle Schools. These provide homework help, recreational activities and a variety of special programs including Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math (STEAM). The Centers are in session from school dismissal until 6 pm (extended day is also available).

The Youth Bureau offers many opportunities for our youth – most of them FREE! These range from Boxing to Capoeira to Open Gym. The Youth Bureau's Youth Employment Services provide White Plains youth between the ages of 14 to 24 with referrals for full and part-time employment throughout the year, career exploration programs and job readiness training. A Y.E.S. staff member is available at White Plains High School in the H Cafeteria, Monday through Friday, 9 am – 12:30 pm.

The Youth Bureau also offers programs that provide career pathways into fields of Aviation, Manufacturing, Retail Service, and more. The Aviation Academy offers youth "real life" experience using a flight simulator! These programs may also provide opportunities for internships to get hands-on experience. Juniors and Seniors can take fall and spring college courses for free and receive college credits through a partnership between the Youth Bureau and the College of Westchester.

During the summer, the Youth Bureau has a variety of 6-week camps and programs and job opportunities that run at various school and community locations. The Youth Bureau, in collaboration with Let's Get Ready and Berkeley College, offers free SAT preparation and post-enrollment mentoring to prospective first-generation college students from low-income circumstances to help them get into and graduate from college. The Bits N' Pieces Tutorial Summer Camp is for children entering 1st – 5th grade, the White Plains Youth Bureau Community Youth Court for 9th – 11th grade students, a Health & Wellness program for students entering 6th – 8th grade, the Greening & Community Garden programs for Middle and High School students, the Entrepreneur Summer Program and the Summer Career Academy for youth entering the work force and a Middle School STEM Camp. All these programs are designed to provide students support as well as be fun and hands on.

For further information, visit the Youth Bureau webpage: [whiteplainsyouthbureau.org](http://whiteplainsyouthbureau.org) or call 914-422-1378, Mon. – Fri., 9 am – 8 pm (school year) & Saturdays, 12 pm – 8 pm / Mon. – Fri. 9 am – 5 pm (summer hours). Spanish speaking staff is available Monday – Friday, 9 am – 5pm.


## ACADEMIC SUPPORT SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE WHITE PLAINS PUBLIC LIBRARY

### White Plains Public Library

100 Martine Avenue  
White Plains, NY 10601  
914-422-1400

For current information on hours and services, visit <https://whiteplainslibrary.org>

 Facebook: [www.facebook.com/WhitePlainsPublicLibrary](https://www.facebook.com/WhitePlainsPublicLibrary)

 Instagram: @WhitePlainsLibrary

Subscribe to our Youth Services e-newsletter: <https://whiteplainslibrary.org/newsletter>

**The Trove** is the place for children and families through Grade 6 to find books, movies, and other materials, as well as fun and educational programs and activities, including a wide variety of early literacy and STEAM-related programs. **More information at <https://whiteplainslibrary.org/trove>.**

**The Edge** is the Library's welcoming and inclusive space for Grades 7-12 where teens are able to be themselves. It is a place to hang out, read, play games, take part in activities, do homework and explore. **More information at <https://whiteplainslibrary.org/edge>.**

**Free Online Tutoring and Homework Help.** FREE, live, one-on-one tutoring from Tutor.com is available every day for Grades K-12 through the Library's website at <https://whiteplainslibrary.org/tutor-com-info>.

**Books Reading and Digital Resources** The Library is committed to supporting reading and the literacy skills of White Plains youth, as well as their education and entertainment. **Check out our Recommended Titles by Grade collection, available in print and as eBooks, <https://whiteplains.org/reading-lists>.**

In addition to our robust print collection, the Library provides access to an wealth of digital materials accessible anywhere. *Kanopy* offers wonderful films and educational programming. *Hoopla*, provides access to an amazing selection of eBooks, comics, music and films for all ages. We're very excited to introduce our newest service, *The Shelf*, a Spanish-language multimedia entertainment streaming service!

**Find all of the Library's digital resources here: <https://whiteplainslibrary.org/resources>.**

### After hours for White Plains Teens

The Library invites teens in grades 9-12 who live in White Plains to our monthly teens only After Hours event featuring activities, refreshments, and a chance to just hang out!

**Details at: <https://whiteplainslibrary.org/2024/05/after-hours-for-white-plains-teens-in-grades-9-12>.**



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## STATE TAX CODE NUMBER

New York State Resident Income Tax forms IT 200 and IT 201 require you to enter the name and code number of the public school district where you resided as of December 31st of the tax year. State distribution of financial aid is based on this data, as reported by taxpayers.

The White Plains City School District Code Number is **699**.

## FOR EASY REFERENCE

The following is a listing of districtwide administrators. You may call these people directly by using the 422 exchange and the extension listed next to their names. School administrators and their phone numbers are listed on the individual building pages.

		Email address followed by @wpcsd.k12.ny.us	
Alternative Programs .....	Khali Murrell.....	khalimurrell .....	2420
Art & Music Curriculum .....	Gary West.....	garywest .....	2016
Athletics .....	Matt Cameron.....	mattcameron.....	2236
Board of Education Information .....	Michelle Melendez .....	michellemelendez.....	2071
Business Office, Budget.....	Ann Vaccaro-Teich .....	annvaccaroteich.....	2064
Cable TV .....	John Sheppard.....	johnsheppard .....	2073
Calendar .....	Michele Schoenfeld .....	micheleschoenfeld .....	2060
Curriculum & Instruction.....	Debbie Hand .....	debbiehand .....	2026
English Curriculum 7-12.....	Douglas Cronk .....	douglascronk.....	2190
Facilities & Operations .....	Xavier Hernandez-Delgado..	xavierhernandez.....	2206
Family Information Center.....	Ilka Marino.....	ilkamarino .....	2038
Food Services .....	Dawn McGinn .....	dawnmcginn.....	2054
Guidance Services .....	Sara Hall.....	sarahall.....	3675
Homebound Instruction.....	Deborah Augarten .....	deborahaugarten .....	2034
Human Resources.....	Scott Pepper.....	scottpepper.....	2025
	Julie Cangro .....	juliecangro .....	2046
Instructional Technology Library Services.....	Rocco Varuolo.....	roccovaruolo .....	2338
and Business Education			
Learning Strategies Program .....	Deborah Augarten .....	deborahaugarten .....	2034
Literacy & Social Studies Pre K - 6 .....	Sarah Tucker.....	saratucker .....	2180
Mathematics & Science Curriculum PreK-6 .....	Monica Arismendez .....	monicarismendez .....	2180
7-12.....	David Jacob.....	davidjacob .....	2152
Medical Services .....	Magaly Racioppo.....	magalyracioppo .....	2011
Physical Education & Health Curriculum K-12....	ChristopherTrieste.....	christophertrieste.....	2236
PreKindergarten.....	Kathy Barpoulis.....	kathybarpoulis .....	2255
Pupil Services: Social Work, Speech, Psychological Services .....	Deborah Augarten .....	deborahaugarten .....	2034
Registration .....	Ilka Marino.....	ilkamarino .....	2038
Research, Testing & Evaluation .....	Debbie Hand .....	debbiehand .....	2026
Resource Officer.....			2028
Science & Engineering Curriculum 7-12.....	David Jacob.....	davidjacob .....	2248
Social Studies Curriculum 7-12 .....	Emory Davis .....	emorydavis.....	2172
Special Education PreK-5.....	Susan LeCointe.....	susanlecointe .....	2037
6-age 25.....	Ybelize Pilarte.....	ybelizepilarte.....	2048
Staff Development Center.....	Lauren Lowenhaupt .....	laurenlowenhaupt .....	2438
Student Activities (High School) .....	Gaetano Vitiello .....	gaetanovitiello .....	2192
Testing & Assessment PreK-6 .....	Kathy Barpoulis.....	kathybarpoulis .....	2255
Transportation/School Buses .....	Sergio Alfonso .....	sergioalfonso .....	2110
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World Languages/Multi Lingual Learner .....	Yolanda L. Rodriguez.....	yolandarodriguez .....	2230
Programs K-12			
Youth Bureau Programs.....			422-1378
Afterschool Programs .....	Ysenia Ruiz		
Youth Employment Services.....	Patti Staffiero		

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### PLEASE NOTE

One calendar is mailed to each family with children in the White Plains Public Schools. The calendar provides important information about the schools. Please take time to read it thoroughly.



# WHITE PLAINS PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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914-422-2000

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## THE DISTRICT AT A GLANCE

- Almost 7,000+ students, 1,200+ staff
- 9 school buildings, 75-acre High School campus, swimming pool
- Over \$8 million annually in state, federal and foundation grants
- 7 National Merit Scholarship Commended Students - 2024
- 9 National Hispanic Recognition Award Scholars - 2024
- 3 African American Recognition Award Scholars - 2024
- 1 Regeneron Science Talent Search Finalist, 16 Semifinalists since 2000
- 51 Advanced Placement and Honors Courses, 5 Foreign Languages
- 260 National Honor Society Members - 2024
- 151 National Junior Honor Society Members - 2024
- Over \$240,000 in Science Research Scholarships and cash awards since 2000
- Programs for special populations: Enrichment, Learning Strategies, ENL
- 74 Interscholastic Sports Teams, 60 High School Clubs
- 402 New York State Scholar-Athletes - 2024