



# PATERSON PUBLIC SCHOOLS



School #12

**"THE MODEL OF EXCELLENCE IN URBAN EDUCATION"**

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Dear PS12 Families,

Welcome to the 2025–2026 school year! I am thrilled to welcome each of our returning families and those joining us for the first time into our school community. At PS12, we take immense pride in the diversity of our students, staff, and families. Our school reflects a rich melting pot of cultural backgrounds, languages, and traditions, and it is this diversity that strengthens our community and enhances the educational experiences of all students.

Looking ahead, the 2025–2026 school year promises to be a year of continued growth and achievement. We are implementing several initiatives to improve students' social and emotional health, learning, and academic outcomes, including:

- **Before and After School Programs** to accelerate students' learning.
- **Culturally Relevant Instruction** to ensure lessons reflect the diverse backgrounds of our learners.
- **Saturday Family Academic Workshops and Information Sessions** to equip parents with tools to support learning at home.
- **Mentorship Program for middle school male students** to empower students to reach their maximum potential.
- **Implement the Youth Equity Student (YES) Leadership Program** to empower our students to become leaders and advocate for equity within our school community.

Also, we want our families to feel connected and involved. Research shows that students thrive when parents and caregivers are actively engaged in their education. Here are a few ways you can get involved this year:

- Join our Parent-Teacher Organization (PTO) **or** Family Engagement Committee.
- Attend family workshops, curriculum nights, and student highlights throughout the year.
- Volunteer at school events or as a classroom helper.
- Utilize our Parent Resource Center and online Infinite Campus family portal to access academic support materials, community resources, and real-time student progress updates.

Our school website and monthly newsletters will keep you updated on events, opportunities, and ways to stay involved.

Thank you for entrusting us with your child's education. Together, we will continue to foster a safe, inclusive, and academically rigorous environment where every student can reach their fullest potential. I look forward to a successful 2025–2026 school year and to working closely with each of you.

Warm regards,

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***Mission: To create and sustain a teaching and learning community of excellence and respect through communication, collaboration, accountability, and commitment of EQUITABLE service to ALL students, families, and selves with the highest integrity.***