



**Pascack Valley Regional High School District  
Board of Education**

*Staff Recognition Program*

**September 29, 2025  
7:30 p.m.**



## 25 Years of Service

**Russell Grier**

Science Teacher, PVHS

**Nancy Ricca**

Mathematics Teacher, PVHS

**William Shaw**

Assistant to the Athletic Director, PVHS

**Patricia Uszenski**

Executive Secretary - Guidance Department, PVHS

**Ryan Walter**

Social Studies Teacher, PVHS

**James Ward**

Custodian, PVHS

**William Weigel**

Physical Education and Health Teacher, PVHS

**Leslie Pugliese**

Science Teacher, PHHS

**Valerie Mattessich**

Supervisor of Instruction - English, Art & Libraries, District

**Laura McSpirit**

Internship Coordinator, District

**Washington Pico**

Network Manager, District

**Richard Aponte**

Paraprofessional, District

**Freda Chudyk**

General Secretary, Region II



**Newly Hired Staff**

**Cheryl Jiosi**  
Business Office  
Assistant Business Administrator

**Mary Morin**  
Business Office  
General Secretary / Accounts  
Payable

**Chiara Kupiec**  
District  
Supervisor of World  
Languages/Music/ESL/  
FACs

**Jessica Nuzzi**  
District  
Supervisor of Mathematics  
and Computer Science

**Roseanne Discepolo**  
PHHS  
Mathematics Teacher

**Caitlin Marcus**  
PHHS  
School Counselor

**Jacqueline Metz**  
PHHS  
Mathematics Teacher

**Lauren Patasnik**  
PHHS  
IT Specialist

**Jennifer Ring**  
PHHS  
School Psychologist

**Audrey Traynor**  
PHHS  
General Secretary - Main Office  
Attendance



## *Newly Hired Staff*

**Erika Velez**

PHHS

P/T Paraprofessional: Bilingual  
Instructional Assistant

**Valentina DeSantis**

PVHS

General Secretary - Guidance  
Department

**Jeffrey Ennis**

PVHS

P/T Custodian

**Teresa Klingele**

PVHS

P/T Media Assistant

**Marina Kovac**

PVHS

Building Coordinator

**Elizabeth Parisi**

PVHS

Science Teacher

**Kieran Walsh**

PVHS

Art Teacher

**Su Ming Teo**

Park Academy

LDTC

**Braudilia Taveras**

Region II

P/T General Secretary - Accounts  
Payable



*Bergen County Teacher of the Year Award*

Aarti Mallya  
Science Teacher, PHHS



*Promoted Staff Members*

Krista Flinn

Executive Secretary - PVHS Guidance Department

Cynthia Kirk

Business Administrator / Board Secretary

Mark Russo

Director of Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment



*Newly Tenured Staff*

<b>Anthony Aliprantis</b>	Physical Education/Health Teacher, PHHS
<b>Maggie Culvert</b>	School Guidance Counselor, PVHS
<b>Krista Flinn</b>	General Secretary - Guidance Department, PVHS
<b>Gabrielle Holland</b>	Executive Secretary - Region II
<b>Tyler Johnson</b>	Physical Education/Health Teacher, PHHS
<b>Lisa Leili</b>	General Secretary - Main Office, PHHS
<b>Deena Mahmoud</b>	English Teacher, PVHS
<b>Janet Murray</b>	General Secretary, Attendance - Main Office, PVHS
<b>Nicole Ortiz</b>	General Secretary - Main Office, PVHS
<b>Luisa Sanchez</b>	Special Education Teacher, PVHS
<b>Melissa Szabo</b>	FACS Teacher, PHHS
<b>Jamie Taylor</b>	Executive Secretary - Main Office, PVHS
<b>Christopher Volk</b>	Social Studies Teacher, PHHS



**The Board of Education  
congratulates and welcomes all recipients and wishes  
them well for the 2025-2026 school year.**