



Poughkeepsie High School

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Dear Poughkeepsie High School Community,

Welcome Back! I hope you have enjoyed a wonderful summer thus far. I also hope you are relaxed, recharged and looking forward to a productive and positive school year. As the returning principal, my primary goal is to renew our commitment to excellence in all that we do to provide world-class instruction with the expectations that all scholars can learn and succeed through a rigorous, engaging and supportive educational experience. We will also continue to provide opportunities to address academic deficiencies, literacy skills, make up missing work, take advanced classes and be college and workforce-prepared after graduation.

Each year brings positive change and this year includes a few new additions to staff members to our school community. **We also had a few** Capital Improvement Projects underway this summer. Some restrooms have been remodeled, a new boiler system installed and the air vents in the auditorium were updated. As well as installation of more interior and exterior cameras better enhancing our ability to monitor and record our ingress and egress of the building at all times.

Attendance Expectations:

This will be one area of focus this year, working collaboratively with families to ensure our scholars arrive on time every day and attend all their classes. It is essential that all scholars have good attendance. If your child(ren) is absent or tardy, please send in a note for it to be excused. Scholars who are regularly absent or tardy will be subject to loss of credit.

Behavioral Expectations:

All scholars, staff and families are contributors to the climate of our school community. Therefore, we are asking that you review with your scholars the PCSD Code of Conduct which can be found in full on the PCSD website as we will be adhering to it very closely this year. We expect that scholars will arrive daily appropriately dress with compliance to the Dress Code. One Warning will be given with the expectation that this behavior will change.

We are excited about all that this new school year has to offer and look forward to working collectively with you to ensure we make this a safe and successful for everyone! As always, please feel free to reach out to me with any questions.

Go Pioneers!

Phee Simpson, Principal Ed.D

Poughkeepsie City School District Mission

"We are champions for children who inspire and nurture the whole child by providing innovative, high-quality educational opportunities that prepare all students to embark on individual paths of success in a globally diverse community."