

Poughkeepsie City School District

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August 31, 2023

Dear Poughkeepsie City School District School Community,

I am extremely happy to share that the start of school date for Poughkeepsie City School District will not change. We will be welcoming all students to school on Thursday, September 7th and all faculty and staff on Tuesday, September 5th. All instructional spaces will be cleared by our construction management firm to be occupied by students and instructional staff in the next coming days. The cosmetic and safety and security work that will continue into the year will not impact teaching and learning.

Walking each of our buildings with the Capital Project team over the last three days there is a remarkable improvement to each of our schools. It is exciting to see the transformation of our schools under the Strong Schools Equal Strong Communities Capital Improvement Project. The following provides a recap of this project to date:

Summer 2021

- Roofing upgrades at Smith Early Learning Center, Morse Elementary and Clinton Elementary.
- Chimney replacement and gymnasium floor replacement at Smith Early Learning Center.
- District-wide HVAC upgrades.
- Exterior digital marquees installed at Smith Early Learning Center, Morse Elementary and Clinton Elementary.
- Grade level student furniture replacement.

Summer/Fall 2022

- Roofing upgrades at Poughkeepsie High, Poughkeepsie Middle, Warring Elementary and Krieger Elementary.
- Restroom renovations at Poughkeepsie High and Smith Early Learning Center.
- Boiler replacements at Poughkeepsie Middle, Smith Early Learning Center, Krieger Elementary, Morse Elementary and Clinton Elementary.
- District-wide HVAC upgrades, fencing, and other site work.
- Exterior digital marquees installed at Poughkeepsie Middle, Warring Elementary and Krieger Elementary.
- Poughkeepsie High and Poughkeepsie Middle auditorium upgrades.
- Poughkeepsie High floor replacement (corridors and library)
- Grade level student furniture replacement.
- Cafeteria furniture replacements at Poughkeepsie High School and Poughkeepsie Middle School.

Spring 2023 – Fall 2023

- Boiler replacements at Poughkeepsie Middle, Smith Early Learning Center, Krieger Elementary, Morse Elementary, Warring Elementary and Clinton Elementary.
- District-wide HVAC, lighting fencing, and other site upgrades.
- Roofing upgrades at Poughkeepsie High.
- Security upgrades to include vestibules at Poughkeepsie High, Poughkeepsie Middle, Smith Early Learning Center, Krieger Elementary, Morse Elementary, Clinton Elementary, Warring Elementary, and the Columbus Administrative Building. Exterior door replacements.
- Restroom renovations at Poughkeepsie High, Poughkeepsie Middle, Krieger Elementary School, Morse Elementary School, Clinton Elementary, Warring Elementary, and Columbus Administrative Building.
- Auditorium stage refinishing at Krieger Elementary.
- Gymnasium floor refinishing at Krieger Elementary, Poughkeepsie Middle, and Poughkeepsie High.
- Poughkeepsie High School tennis court upgrade.
- Library floor carpeting at Clinton Elementary, Early Learning Center, Morse Elementary and Warring Elementary.
- Cafeteria upgrades at Poughkeepsie High, Poughkeepsie Middle, and Clinton Elementary.
- Grade level student furniture replacement.

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As you can see, there is a great deal for us all to celebrate with the completion of various aspects of the Strong School Equal Strong Communities Capital Improvement Project. Funded by the \$98 million capital referendum, Smart Schools Bond, and state and local dollars, this project is clearly improving the conditions of the Poughkeepsie City School District facilities with more to come in the next few years. Current and future Poughkeepsie City School District students will benefit from these major improvements strengthening the district's impact on preparing all students to embark on individual paths of success, in and out of school, so that they are positioned to compete in a globally diverse community upon high school graduation.

Enjoy the Labor Day weekend and we all look forward to welcoming back faculty, staff and students next week.

Yours in Education,

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31 de agosto de 2023

Estimada Comunidad Escolar del Distrito Escolar de la Ciudad de Poughkeepsie,

Estoy muy feliz de compartir que la fecha de inicio de clases para el Distrito Escolar de la Ciudad de Poughkeepsie no cambiará. Estaremos dando la bienvenida a todos los estudiantes a la escuela el jueves, 7 de septiembre y toda la facultad y el personal el martes, 5 de septiembre. Todos los espacios de instrucción serán despejados por nuestra empresa de gestión de la construcción para ser ocupados por los estudiantes y el personal de instrucción en los próximos días. El trabajo cosmético y de seguridad que continuará en el año no afectará la enseñanza y el aprendizaje.

Caminando por cada uno de nuestros edificios con el equipo del Proyecto de Capital en los últimos tres días hay una mejora notable en cada una de nuestras escuelas. Es emocionante ver la transformación de nuestras escuelas en el marco del Proyecto de Mejoras Capitales Escuelas Fuertes Igualan Comunidades Fuertes. A continuación, se ofrece un resumen de este proyecto hasta la fecha:

Verano 2021

- Mejoras de techo en Smith Early Learning Center, Morse Elementary y Clinton Elementary.
- Reemplazo de la chimenea y reemplazo del piso del gimnasio en Smith Early Learning Center.
- Mejoras de HVAC en todo el distrito.
- Marquesinas digitales exteriores instaladas en Smith Early Learning Center, Morse Elementary y Clinton Elementary.
- Sustitución del mobiliario de los alumnos de grado.

Verano/Otoño 2022

- Mejoras en los techos de Poughkeepsie High, Poughkeepsie Middle, Warring Elementary y Krieger Elementary.
- Renovación de los baños en Poughkeepsie High y Smith Early Learning Center.
- Reemplazo de calderas en Poughkeepsie Middle, Smith Early Learning Center, Krieger Elementary, Morse Elementary y Clinton Elementary.
- Mejoras en el sistema de calefacción, ventilación y aire acondicionado de todo el distrito, vallado y otras obras.
- Instalación de marquesinas digitales exteriores en Poughkeepsie Middle, Warring Elementary y Krieger Elementary.
- Mejoras en los auditorios de Poughkeepsie High y Poughkeepsie Middle.
- Sustitución del suelo de Poughkeepsie High (pasillos y biblioteca).
- Sustitución del mobiliario de los alumnos de grado.
- Reemplazo del mobiliario de la cafetería en Poughkeepsie High School y Poughkeepsie Middle School.

Primavera 2023 - Otoño 2023

- Reemplazo de calderas en Poughkeepsie Middle, Smith Early Learning Center, Krieger Elementary, Morse Elementary, Warring Elementary y Clinton Elementary.
- HVAC en todo el distrito, vallas de iluminación, y otras mejoras del sitio.



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- Mejoras en el tejado de Poughkeepsie High.
- Mejoras de seguridad para incluir vestíbulos en Poughkeepsie High, Poughkeepsie Middle, Smith Early Learning Center, Krieger Elementary, Morse Elementary, Clinton Elementary, Warring Elementary y el edificio administrativo de Columbus. Sustitución de puertas exteriores.
- Renovación de los baños de Poughkeepsie High, Poughkeepsie Middle, Krieger Elementary School, Morse Elementary School, Clinton Elementary, Warring Elementary y Columbus Administrative Building.
- Renovación del escenario del auditorio de la escuela primaria Krieger.
- Renovación del suelo del gimnasio de las escuelas Krieger Elementary, Poughkeepsie Middle y Poughkeepsie High.
- Mejora de la pista de tenis del instituto de Poughkeepsie.
- Alfombrado del piso de la biblioteca en Clinton Elementary, Early Learning Center, Morse Elementary y Warring Elementary.
- Mejoras en las cafeterías de Poughkeepsie High, Poughkeepsie Middle y Clinton Elementary.
- Sustitución del mobiliario de los alumnos de grado.

Como pueden ver, todos tenemos mucho que celebrar con la finalización de varios aspectos del Proyecto de Mejora de Capital Strong School Equal Strong Communities. Financiado por el referéndum de capital de \$ 98 millones, Smart Schools Bond, y dólares estatales y locales, este proyecto está mejorando claramente las condiciones de las instalaciones del Distrito Escolar de la Ciudad de Poughkeepsie con más por venir en los próximos años. Los estudiantes actuales y futuros del Distrito Escolar de la Ciudad de Poughkeepsie se beneficiarán de estas importantes mejoras que refuerzan el impacto del distrito en la preparación de todos los estudiantes para embarcarse en caminos individuales de éxito, dentro y fuera de la escuela, para que estén en condiciones de competir en una comunidad globalmente diversa al graduarse de la escuela secundaria.

Disfruten del fin de semana del Día del Trabajo y todos esperamos dar la bienvenida de nuevo a la facultad, el personal y los estudiantes la próxima semana.

Suyo en Educación,

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