



THE NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT 27
82-01 Rockaway Blvd., Ozone Park, N Y 11416

Community Education Council Meeting—Community School District 27

Monday August 14, 2017

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Community Superintendent's Report

I. Highlights—

No school highlights this month. Our principals have been working toward preparing for the new school year. The first day of school is September 7, 2017.

District 27 Twitter

District 27 has a Twitter Account. Hash tag District 27 NYC shares NYC Department of Education announcements and events, District announcements and events, and school announcements and events. Please check out the wonderful work and experiences for children taking place in our District 27 schools, which are showcased. Please go on, follow us and like us! Please spread the word.

II. Updates

- **The DOE Morning Bell**

- Please see the new blog of the DOE, “The Morning Bell”, which is accessible through the DOE website. This blog provides up to date information on DOE initiatives and news and is updated frequently.

- **NYC Schools Account**

Remember that parents can obtain student information at a glance on your phone, tablet or computer using NYC Schools Account. The link can be found on the launch page of the NYCDOE web site. If you have not signed up as of yet, please contact your school's Parent Coordinator.

- **NYC School Finder (SchoolFinderNYC.gov)**

NYC School Finder is an easy to use on-line tool that lets users search New York City's hundreds of high school choices by school name, keyword, location, size and more.

NYC School Finder is a mobile-friendly tool that works on phones, the primary point of Internet access for many of New York City's students and families. No download from an app store is required – users only need to navigate to schoolfinder.nyc.gov on their device's browser and then bookmark or add to home screen.

Once users open NYC School Finder on their devices, they can continue to use the application if their data connection is lost.

NYC School Finder builds on existing high school admission resources. Print and online directories are still available in the ten DOE languages, as well as the High Schools at a Glance document – a detailed, sortable spreadsheet of high school admissions data and program choices. Additional resources available for students, families, and counselors include:

- Citywide and Borough High School Fairs (schools.nyc.gov/high): Find out when school information sessions and open houses are on the HS Admissions Calendar.
- Newsletter (schools.nyc.gov/subscribe): Subscribe to the HS email list to get updates on important HS Admissions events and deadlines.
- Phone (718-935-2399): Call Monday-Friday 8am-6pm with questions about HS Admissions.
- Family Welcome Centers (schools.nyc.gov/WelcomeCenters): Get HS Admissions help from a DOE staff member. Locations and hours are available online.

III. Reminders

September 2017

- Thursday September 7—First day of school
- Wednesday September 13--Elementary School Parent-Teacher conferences
- Thursday and Friday September 21-22-Rosh Hashanah-- Schools closed
- Tuesday September 26-- Middle school Parent-Teacher conferences

October 2017

- Monday, October 9--Columbus Day observed--Schools closed

November 2017

- Tuesday November 7—Election day—School closed for students
- Thursday and Friday November 23-24—Thanksgiving recess—Schools closed

December 2017

- Monday, December 25-Monday January 1, 2018—winter recess—Schools closed

January 2018

- Monday, January 15—Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. day—Schools closed



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February 2018

- Friday February 16—Friday, February 23—Lunar New Year and Mid- winter recess—schools closed

March 2018

- Friday March 30 through Friday April 6—Spring Recess—schools closed

April 2018

- Wednesday, Thursday and Friday April 11-13--NYS ELA test

May 2018

- Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday May 1-3—NYS Math test
- Monday, May 28—Memorial Day—schools closed

June 2018

- Thursday, June 7—Chancellors Conference Day—Schools closed for students
- Monday, June 11—June Clerical Day—schools closed for students
- Friday June 15—Eid al-Fitr—schools closed
- Tuesday June 26—Last day for all students—early dismissal