

# Welcome to the



## Pearl River School District

## Informational Brochure

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### *Pearl River School District*

135 West Crooked Hill Road  
Pearl River, NY 10965  
845-620-3900  
[www.pearlriver.org](http://www.pearlriver.org)

## Can't Find What You Are Looking For?

If you are looking for specific information about your child(ren), the best place to start is with your child(ren)'s teacher or school guidance counselor. If you are looking for general school information, please look online on our district website at [www.pearlriver.org](http://www.pearlriver.org) or contact school administration:

#### Pearl River High School

Dr. Robert Zegarelli, Principal  
Aaron McCasland, Assistant Principal  
Jacqueline Lividini, Assistant Principal  
845-620-3800

#### Pearl River Middle School

David Wright, Principal  
Edith Ramirez-Lopez, Assistant Principal  
845-620-3870

#### Evans Park Elementary School

Joseph Avdek, Principal  
845-620-3950

#### Franklin Avenue Elementary School

Dr. Kristin Talleyrand, Principal  
845-620-3965

#### Lincoln Avenue Elementary School

Kathleenann Cool, Principal  
845-620-3850

If you have a suggestion that will help us improve how we communicate, please call John Piscitella, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources and Community Services at 845-620-3918.



## Website - [www.pearlriver.org](http://www.pearlriver.org)

The Pearl River School District website posts all district publications and notices, as well as the district calendar of events, Board of Education meeting and minutes, school budget information, and school and local community events. In addition to the district-level pages, each school has their own webpage and associated links.

## Parent Portal



The eSchoolData Parent Portal enables you to login to view your child(ren)'s school information, including attendance and report cards. In addition, at the middle and high school levels, you will be able to view your child(ren)'s schedule, interim progress reports, and individual assignment grades.

To login, go to your child(ren)'s school webpage from [www.pearlriver.org](http://www.pearlriver.org) and click *Parent Portal* under *Quick Links for Parents* at the bottom of the screen.

If you need a parent user id and password, please contact 845-620-3913 to schedule an in-person pick-up or postal mailing. Note that due to the confidentiality of your student(s)'s data, we cannot provide your portal login information over the phone or via email.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns about your child(ren)'s grades, please contact your child(ren)'s teacher(s) directly.

## Find Us On Facebook & Instagram!



PRSD shares good news and highlights about our schools on our [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/pearlriver.org) and [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/pearlriver.org) pages. You can also find the links on our district homepage at [www.pearlriver.org](http://www.pearlriver.org) or look for our PRSD gazebo logo for our Facebook & Instagram accounts.

## SchoolMessenger Notifications



In the event of a school closing, early dismissal due to inclement weather or an unforeseen emergency, the district will communicate with parents through our notification system, SchoolMessenger. The system utilizes phone calls, email, and text messages as a means of broadcasting important information.

All parents are automatically registered to receive phone calls and email messages based on their contact information in their eSchoolData Parent Portal. Please note the majority of our communications are through email. If you are not receiving emails from either the district or your child (ren)'s school(s), your contact information may not be current in your Parent Portal.

Regarding text messages, wireless carriers require verification that a mobile phone number has agreed to receive text messages. To provide the SchoolMessenger system with your approval, simply text 'Y' or 'Yes' to short code '67587' from your cell phone(s). You should receive a confirmation text back from SchoolMessenger. **If you do not opt-in, you will not be enrolled to receive text messages from Pearl River School District.**

Please login to your Parent Portal account to ensure all contact information is accurate. Please contact your child(ren)'s school(s) to make changes.

## BoardDocs



All board of education meeting agendas and minutes are posted on [BoardDocs](http://BoardDocs). This system allows us to significantly reduce the amount of paper generated for each meeting and better manages the documentation and formatting of the agenda items. You can access *BoardDocs* from the district website under the *Board of Education* link on the homepage.

## District Newsletters, District Calendar, & PRSD Code of Conduct

These documents inform the parents and community of important school policies, events, school budget information, and school report information. The district calendar is mailed to each Pearl River resident in late summer. District newsletters are emailed to parents and guardians throughout the school year and are also available on our website at [www.pearlriver.org](http://www.pearlriver.org). The Code of Conduct is available through your Parent Portal account and is also available under the *For Parents* tab on each school website.

## PRSD Pulse

### School and District Committees

There are many opportunities to become informed and involved at the building and district level. These opportunities allow parents, teachers, and administrators to work collaboratively on initiatives and events. Parents are welcomed to join one of the numerous committees at the building or district level.

**Building Level** - Each school has an active PTA that sponsors many events at the schools. Other committees at the building level may include:

- ◇ Building Leadership Team
- ◇ Bullying Prevention Committee
- ◇ Field Day Committee
- ◇ Pick a Reading Partner (PARP) Committee
- ◇ Pride and Spirit Week Committee

**District Level** - In addition to our PTAs, other committees at the district level include:

- ◇ Curriculum Advisory Council
- ◇ Parent Advisory Council
- ◇ School Health Advisory Council