

Public School 3

We fly We soar We achieve

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Wednesday, September 13, 2023

Dear Parents,

On behalf of the staff of PS 3, I am happy to welcome all students to the building for the 2023-2024 school year! We are going to have a great year!

We are looking forward to a productive partnership with you to ensure that our children can achieve to their highest potential. We recognize that to be successful in school, our children need support from both the home and school. We are confident that a strong collaboration will make the difference in your child's education.

This year there has been a change to the school schedule. School officially begins at 8:15 am and ends at 2:35pm every day. Students can be dropped off at 7:55am for breakfast in the cafeteria. If parents need to have students in earlier or pick them up after 2:35, PS 3 has a morning care program that begins at 6:50am and our after-school latchkey program extends the day until 6pm. The applications for these programs and the associated fees can be located on our school's website: www.PS3BlueHerons.org.

Transportation

If you have any bussing questions or issues, Ms. Dawn oversees bussing for PS 3. She can be reached at 718-984-1021. Please be aware that there is still a potential school bus strike. If there is a strike, your students NYC Schools Account (NYCSA) is where the DOE pulls the information to send you texts, emails, or phone calls. Please make sure your account is active and the information is correct.

Open School Night

Thursday, September 14th is Open School Night for PS 3. This year, all parent-teacher conferences and open school are being conducted virtually. Classroom teachers will repeat the same information in both sessions to allow parents with multiple children to attend one session. Sessions will be from 4:30-7:30 pm and will follow this schedule:

4:30-5:30 Virtual meetings with classroom teachers (**Teachers will send you link**)

5:30-6:30 Meetings with our cluster teachers

PS 3 Clusters

Thursday, September 14 · 5:30 – 6:30pm

Time zone: America/New York

Video call link: https://meet.google.com/nnu-cuut-aam

Or dial: (US) +1 402-735-0129 PIN: 405 912 681#

Art & Movement – Ms. Bruck

Dance – Ms. Damato Library – Ms. Drabzcyk Music – Ms. Toback PE – Mr. Lombardi

Technology – Ms. Kostenbader

6:30-7:30 Virtual meetings with classroom teachers (**Teachers will send you link**)

Technology

PS 3 and NYCDOE utilize technology with students more and more frequently. All NYC students have a unique email address and student account that stays with them from PK-12. Once you have a student email address and account, you log into teachhub.schools.nyc.

https://www.schools.nyc.gov/learning/digital-learning/applications-and-platforms/teachhub

This will be where parents have access to DOE Grades, DOE messaging, Envision Mathematics and many other DOE applications, curriculum, and programs.

If you or your child needs to reset their student's DOE account password, here is the information: There are three different ways you can reset your DOE password:

- 1. **Reset it yourself through the Student Self-Service tool.** To use the <u>Student Self-Service</u> tool you must have created a PIN or set up security questions. If you have not done either, see options 2 and 3. Through this method, you can reset your own password once every 30 days.
- 2. **Ask your parent or guardian to reset it through NYCSA (NYC Schools Account)** Your parent or guardian can <u>reset your password in NYCSA</u>. If they don't have a NYCSA account, they can create one for free.
- 3. **Ask your school to reset your password for you.** If you are unable to reset your password, contact your school for help. They can find instructions on how to reset your password on the <u>Reset Student Account Passwords page</u> (DOE staff only) on the InfoHub

Parent Teacher Association

Our first PTA meeting will be conducted on Tuesday, September 19, 2023, at 6:30pm. This meeting will be a hybrid meeting. Those able to join in person will meet in the auditorium and those unable to meet in person can join at this link:

September PTA Meeting

Tuesday, September $19 \cdot 6:30 - 7:30$ pm

Time zone: America/New York Google Meet joining info.

Video call link: https://meet.google.com/hqv-jhnv-qon
Or dial: (US) +1 216-839-9430 PIN: 153 674 310#

Important Upcoming Dates

Thursday, September 14, 2023 Open School Night Tuesday, September 19, 2023 September PTA Meeting

Monday, September 25, 2025 No School – Holiday – Yom Kippur

COVID-19

We are continuing to receive COVID-19 test kits, which we will continue to send home. If your child tests positive for COVID-19, they are to be isolated at home for 5 days and can return on the 6th day after testing but will need to be masked until the 10th day after testing. If you need additional test kits or have any questions, please reach out to the school.

I am looking forward to what I expect to be a wonderful school year.

Thank you, Elmer Myers