



P.S. 108

Family Handbook

2022-2023

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A Message from the Principal

Dear P.S. 108 Families,

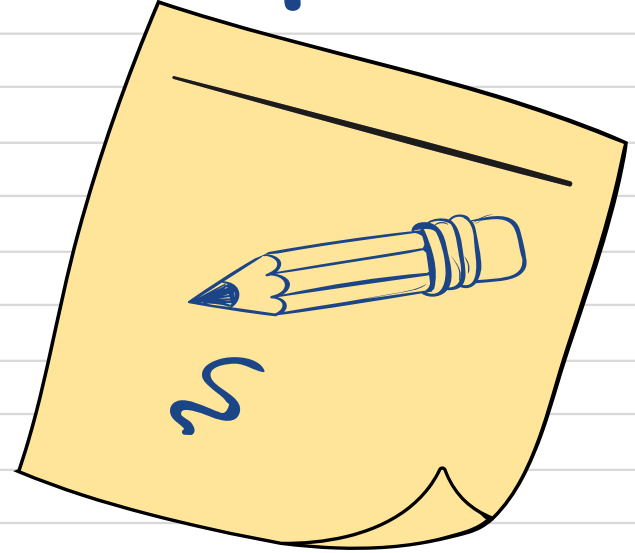


Welcome to a new school year at P.S. 108! The faculty and staff are proud to partner with you in the education of your children.

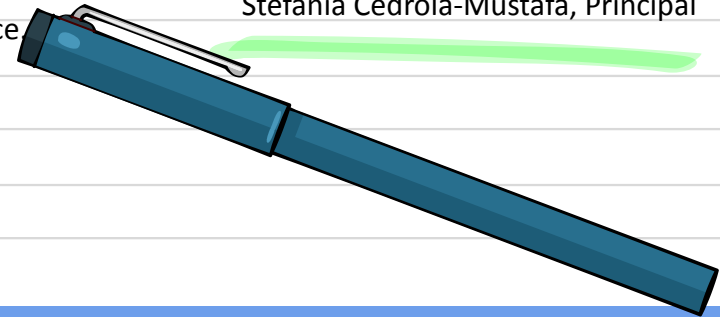
Educational success for all students cannot be complete without an effective partnership with all parents. You are the most essential part of your child's education and it is important that we build a strong relationship in order to best serve your child's educational needs. Therefore, we strongly encourage you to participate in our Parent-Teacher Conference Days, PTA meetings, and other school activities.

The Family Handbook contains important information regarding the policies and procedures established for the safety of the children and the smooth operation of the school. Please read this information carefully and keep it for future reference. Should you have questions, feel free to contact school staff at (718) 863-9829.

Our hope is that the partnership you develop with your children's teachers and the school will reflect a positive feeling about education, and will be a pleasurable experience for everyone.

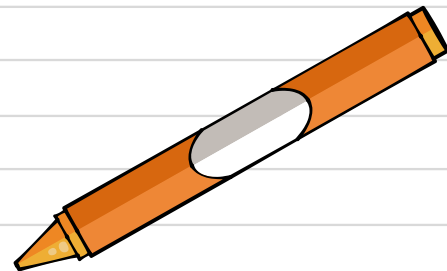


Stefania Cedrola-Mustafa, Principal





Meet the Staff



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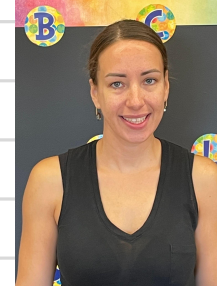


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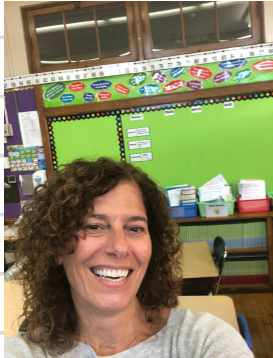
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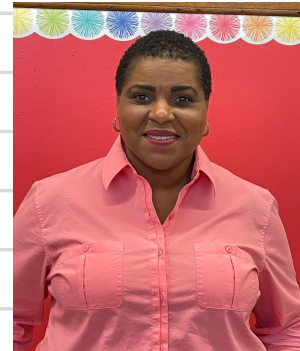
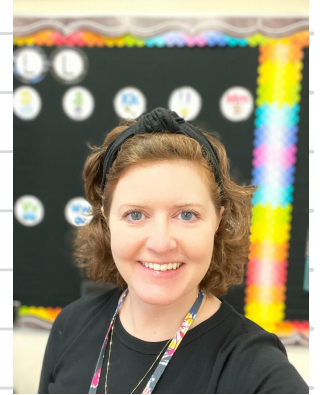


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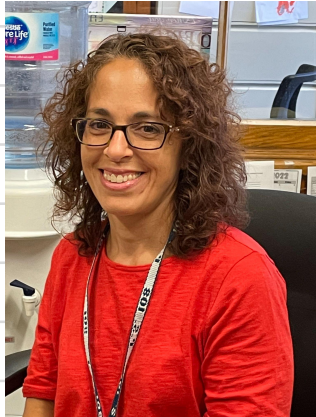
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The school clinic is operated by a school nurse. Parents are called if their child has a fever or appears to be suffering from an illness or injury. To ensure prompt notification it is critical that all emergency forms are current.

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WHAT DOES A SCHOOL COUNSELOR DO?

CORE CURRICULUM

- Evaluate school and student data and outcomes
- Develop core curriculum to address desired student competencies
- Deliver curriculum systematically through classroom lessons in cooperation with classroom teachers

INDIVIDUAL STUDENT PLANNING

- Help students evaluate their own interests, abilities, and skills
- Help students develop personal goals
- Help students create plans for their futures

RESPONSIVE SERVICES

- Individual counseling
- Small group counseling
- Crisis response services

INDIRECT SERVICES

- Make referrals for outside counseling or assistance
- Consult with parents and teachers to share effective strategies that support students
- Collaborate with parents, professionals, and community members to support student success

AND SO MUCH MORE!



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The Parent Coordinator is a staff position created by the Department of Education to help parents/guardians and their children.

Our Parent Coordinator, Giorgina Rodriguez is the designated person to assist parents and guardians with information about our school or the public school system.

The Parent Coordinator works to strengthen and improve communication between the school and families.

Ms. Rodriguez can assist families in communicating with P.S. 108 teachers and administrators. She can be contacted by phone (332) 216-5378., or by email: Grodriguez23@schools.nyc.gov

Ms. Rodriguez is available to meet or talk with you about any questions or concerns you may have, and she can facilitate communication with other staff members. She is also available to help with translations or facilitate community resources.

School Safety Agent



Mr. Webb
School Safety Agent

Visitor Policy

All visitors (age 12 and older) must show proof of at least one dose of the COVID-19 vaccination to enter a DOE building. Visitors do not include students attending school in a DOE building.

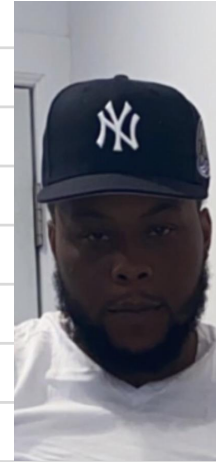
An acceptable COVID-19 vaccination includes one dose of any COVID-19 vaccine fully authorized or authorized for emergency use by the FDA or WHO.

- No visitors will be allowed past security.
- Anyone picking up their child early will wait by security and the student will be escorted down to meet you.
- If you need to go to the main office you will need to provide proof of vaccination. If no proof is given, a school secretary will meet you at security to assist.
- All meetings with teachers will be held virtually.

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Recording Secretary

JodiAnn Beans
Recording Secretary



SLT Meetings

Our school leadership team meets one time a month.

SLT Members

Ms. Mustafa

Principal

Ms. Solano

AP – SLT Chair

Ms. Breitenbach

UFT Chapter Leader

TBA

Teacher

Ms. Spergel

Ms. McGuire

Tara McCrossan

PTA

Margaret Arroyo

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Matthew Lootens

Sonia Marini

TBA

Parents

All schools are required by the State legislature to establish a School Leadership Team, which develops a Comprehensive Educational Plan (CEP) and that it is aligned with the school-based budget for the ensuing school year. The school-based budget provides the fiscal parameters within which the SLT will develop the goals and objectives to meet the needs of students and the school's educational program.

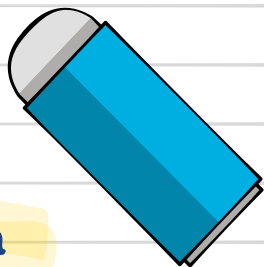
The team is comprised of the principal, the PTA president, the United Federation of Teachers (UFT) chapter leader, elected teacher representatives, and elected parent representatives. Parents' membership on the School Leadership Team helps ensure that the parent voice is represented in important decisions that affect teaching and learning in our school.

Please contact this year's team members if you would like the School Leadership Team to address a particular issue. School Leadership Team meetings are open to all parents/guardians of our school.

For School Leadership Team meeting dates, please contact the PTA office, Parent Coordinator, or School Leadership Team members listed under, Teachers.

Mission & Vision

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Mission

P.S. 108's mission is to empower our students with the social and academic skills needed to meet the high standards of excellence in order to succeed in a culturally diverse society.

Vision

Our vision is to provide a comprehensive, rigorous, exciting educational program with an emphasis on literacy and mathematics development that is aligned with NYS and NYC performance standards. Guided by the principles of learning, students are challenged to think critically. Inquiry, analysis, problem solving and decision-making are integral parts of an educational program that allows students to achieve individually and cooperatively. Our collaborative spirit seeks to nurture and support the whole child. Through academic and artistic endeavors students develop self-confidence, tolerance and independence while celebrating similarities and diversity. Educators and parents support efforts to increase student access to information with a growing emphasis on technology. P.S. 108 recognizes its responsibility to prepare students not only for the next level of education but also for the many challenges facing productive citizens of an ever-changing society.

A graphic featuring a spiral-bound notebook on a light blue background. The notebook's pages are white and contain text. The title 'Instructional Focus 2022-2023' is written in a blue, sans-serif font, with 'Instructional Focus' underlined in green. Below the title is a paragraph of text, also with some words underlined in green. The notebook is surrounded by various school supplies: a blue pencil, a blue binder ring, a white protractor, a blue pen, a yellow pencil, a blue ruler, a blue pencil sharpener, a blue paper clip, and two yellow pushpins. There are also some light blue and white paper scraps. On the left side, there is a blue, hand-drawn squiggly line. On the right side, there is a blue, hand-drawn squiggly line that resembles a signature or a flourish.

Instructional Focus

2022-2023

IF we continue the shift toward student-led classrooms, validate student voice and experiences, and provide students the opportunity to participate in thought-provoking learning tasks where students take initiative in their learning THEN we will strengthen student engagement, resulting in increased achievement for all.

School Calendar 2022-2023

DOE Translated Calendars



NYC Department of Education School Year Calendar 2022–2023

This is the 2022–23 school year calendar for all 3K–12 NYCDOE public schools. If your child attends a private, parochial, charter school, NYCEEC Early Childhood Community-Based Organization or Family Childcare Program, please contact your child's school for information about their calendar. Please note the following:

- November 8, Election Day, is a non-attendance day for students. No in-person or remote instruction will be provided.
- On "Snow days" or days when school buildings are closed due to an emergency, all students and families should plan on participating in remote learning.
- Individual schools' Parent-Teacher Conference dates might be different from the dates below. Your child's teacher will work with you to schedule your conference.
- On this schedule, elementary schools are defined as programs that serve kindergarten (K) through grade 8, including schools with 3K and Pre-K, as well as those that end in grade 5. Middle schools are defined as programs that serve grades 6–8, and high schools are defined as programs that serve grades 9–12.

DATE	WEEKDAY	EVENT
September 8	Thursday	First day of school
September 15	Thursday	Evening Parent-Teacher Conferences for elementary schools, and Pre-K Centers
September 22	Thursday	Evening Parent-Teacher Conferences for middle schools and D75 schools
September 26	Monday	Rosh Hashanah, schools closed
September 27	Tuesday	Rosh Hashanah, schools closed
September 29	Thursday	Evening Parent-Teacher Conferences for high schools, K–12, and 6–12 schools
October 5	Wednesday	Yom Kippur, schools closed
October 10	Monday	Italian Heritage / Indigenous Peoples' Day, schools closed
November 3	Thursday	Afternoon and Evening Parent-Teacher Conferences for elementary schools; students in these schools dismissed three hours early.
November 8	Tuesday	Election Day, students do not attend school
November 9	Wednesday	Afternoon and Evening Parent-Teacher Conferences for middle schools and D75 schools; students in these schools dismissed three hours early.
November 11	Friday	Veterans Day, schools closed
November 17	Thursday	Evening Parent-Teacher Conferences for high schools, K–12, and 6–12 schools
November 18	Friday	Afternoon Parent-Teacher Conferences for high schools, K–12, and 6–12 schools; students in these schools dismissed three hours early.
November 24	Thursday	Thanksgiving, schools closed
November 25	Friday	Thanksgiving Recess, schools closed



DATE	WEEKDAY	EVENT
December 26	Monday	Christmas Day (observed), schools closed
December 27–30	Tuesday–Friday	Winter Recess, schools closed
January 2	Monday	New Year's Day (observed), schools closed
January 16	Monday	Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day, schools closed
January 24–27	Tuesday–Friday	Regents Administration
January 30	Monday	Professional Development Day for high schools and 6–12 schools; students in these schools do not attend.
January 31	Tuesday	Spring Semester begins
February 20–24	Monday–Friday	Midwinter Recess, schools closed (includes Presidents Day and Lincoln's Birthday (observed))
March 9	Thursday	Afternoon and Evening Parent-Teacher Conferences for elementary schools and Pre-K Centers; students in these schools dismissed three hours early.
March 16	Thursday	Afternoon and Evening Parent-Teacher Conferences for middle schools and D75 schools
March 23	Thursday	Evening Parent-Teacher Conferences for high schools, K–12, and 6–12 schools
March 24	Friday	Afternoon Parent-Teacher Conferences for high schools, K–12, and 6–12 schools; students in these schools dismissed three hours early.
April 6	Thursday	First Day of Passover, schools closed
April 7	Friday	Second Day of Passover / Good Friday, schools closed
April 8–14	Monday–Friday	Spring Recess, schools closed
April 21	Friday	Eid al-Fitr, schools closed
May 4	Thursday	Evening Parent-Teacher Conferences for elementary schools and Pre-K Centers
May 11	Thursday	Evening Parent-Teacher Conferences for middle schools and D75 schools
May 18	Thursday	Evening Parent-Teacher Conferences for high schools, K–12, and 6–12 schools
May 29	Monday	Memorial Day, schools closed
June 8	Thursday	Anniversary Day / Chancellor's Conference Day for staff development; students do not attend.
June 9	Friday	Clerical Day for elementary schools, middle schools, K–12 schools, and standalone D75 programs; students in these schools do not attend.
June 14–23	Wednesday–Friday	Regents Administration (excluding June 19, when schools are closed)
June 19	Monday	Juneteenth, schools closed
June 27	Tuesday	Last day of school for students

Services Offered



We offer many services to best support all learners at our school. Some services include:

Service	Staff	Contact
Special Education / IEP Special Education/SETSS	Ms. Simonetti Ms. LoCascio	Msimonetti2@schools.nyc.gov rlocascio@schools.nyc.gov
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Parent Coordinator	Ms. Rodriguez	Grodriquez23@schools.nyc.gov
Guidance Counselor & Social Worker	Ms. Jiggetts Ms. Pereyra	ljiggetts@schools.nyc.gov jpereyra2@schools.nyc.gov



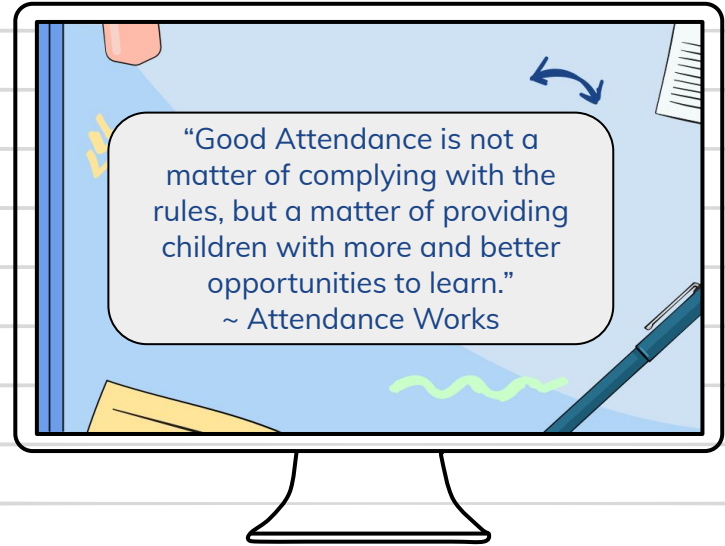
Attendance



Regular school attendance is essential for a student's academic achievement and will be closely monitored. The NYC School Chancellor's regulations require that each student achieve a minimum of 90% attendance every school year.

If your child must be absent from school, please use the following guidelines:

- Please provide advance notice to the school if the absence is anticipated.
- Please send in a note after each absence explaining your child's absence when he or she returns to school.
- Please call the school office if an absence lasts for two or more days. **(718) 863-9829**
- If appropriate, please include a doctor's note indicating the reason for an extended absence and permission for the child to return to school.
- Please schedule appointments for your child before or after school



Arrival



Students should arrive to school no later than 8:20am.

The school building will open for breakfast at 7:30am.

All students will enter the main entrance on Neill Avenue for morning arrival.

Parents are not allowed in the building during morning arrival.

To assist with traffic we kindly ask all families dropping off students by car to pull up along the curb and “stop-drop-and go”.

Dismissal

Dismissal is at 2:40pm

*Students in Pre-K – 2nd grade will be dismissed out of Exit 2 and walk around towards Herring Avenue. Parents are encouraged to spread out around the corner to ensure a safe dismissal.

*Students in Grade 3-5 will dismiss from Exit 1 and line up along the front gate on Neill Avenue.

Late Pick up

All students not picked up at 2:40pm will be brought to the main entrance and calls home will be made.



Late Arrival

Please make sure to get your child to school on time. Punctuality is an essential part of your child's development as a student.

Teachers begin instruction immediately and students who arrive late disrupt that instruction.

Students who arrive at school after 8:20 a.m. will be marked late.

Please be aware that late marks become a part of your child's permanent record and are a component for promotional criteria.



Early Pick-up

If you are picking up your child before regular dismissal time, please try to let your child's teacher know in advance. You must follow the following procedure:

- Present identification at the security desk
 - Sign your child out by school safety
- A staff member will call for your child and escort them down to you.

Please note the following:



- Students will not be released to anyone under the age of 18
- Students will not be released to anyone who has not been designated on the blue cards
 - Students will not be released without a signature

We strongly discourage picking up students between 2:20 p.m. and 2:35 p.m. in an effort to avoid confusion during dismissal.



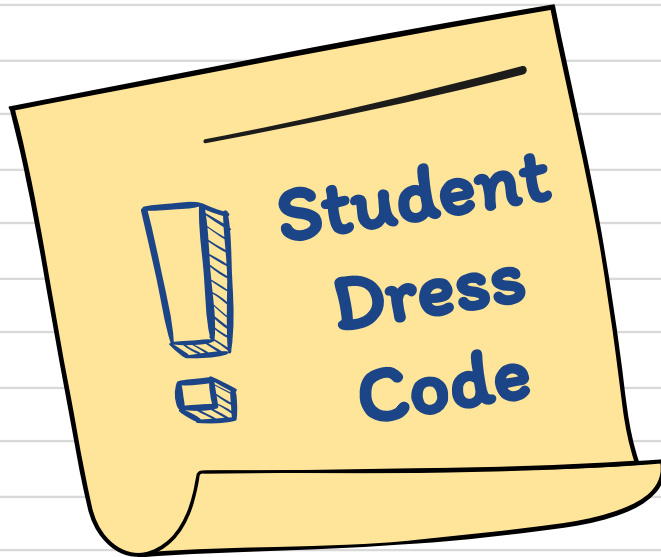
P.S. 108 students in every grade wear a uniform daily.

Navy Blue/ Light Blue Top

Navy Blue Pants / Skirt

Sneakers Recommended

Please note that flip flops and slides are never allowed in school.



Please use this link to order School Uniforms:

www.SmoothUSA.com/PS108x

CLASS PERIOD SCHEDULE

7:50-8:20
Staff only

Period 1	8:20-9:02
Period 2	9:05-9:46
Period 3	9:49-10:30
Period 4	10:33-11:23
Period 5	11:26-12:16
Period 6	12:19-1:09
Period 7	1:12-1:52
Period 8	1:55-2:35

Lunch Periods

4th period – 3rd & 5th grade

5th period – Kinder & 4th grade

6th period – 1st & 2nd grade

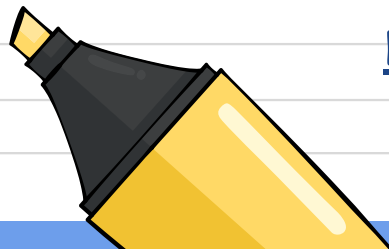


P.S. 108 follows the NYC DOE Behavior Policy

The New York City Department of Education (NYCDOE) is committed to ensuring that our schools are safe, secure, and orderly environments in which teaching and learning take place each day. A safe and supportive school depends upon the efforts of all members of the school community—teachers, students, administrators, parents, counselors, social workers, safety personnel, related service providers, cafeteria, custodial, and bus staff—to treat one another with mutual respect.

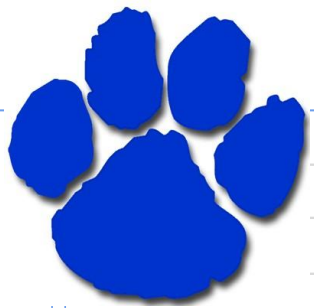


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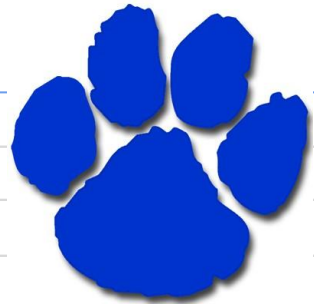


**Panda
Pride!**







PBIS



We are excited to announce that our school will implement an evidence-based approach, **Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS)** for the upcoming school year. With this initiative, the learners are awarded for excellent behaviors and for meeting the objectives set for them. One of the key components of PBIS is establishing school-wide expectations for behavior. These expectations will be taught to students and reinforced throughout the school day, and we believe this will help create a positive and safe learning environment for all students so that we all have a successful and exciting school year!

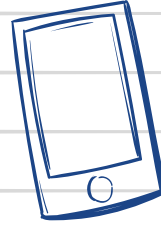
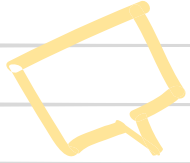


P A W S

	POSITIVE ATTITUDE	ACT RESPONSIBLE	WORK HARD	SHOW RESPECT
CLASSROOM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete your work Organize Help a classmate Don't give up 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be ready to learn Try your best Stay on task Participate 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use classroom materials appropriately Walk at all times Stay on task Keep hands, feet and objects to yourself 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pay attention to your teacher Follow instructions Use kind words and actions Raise your hand to speak 
BATHROOM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Throw trash in receptacle Use time wisely 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wait your turn Go, flush, wash 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wash hands Report problems to an adult Walk at all times Keep water in sink 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Respect privacy Use kind words and actions Use equipment and supplies properly No floods 
CAFETERIA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Leave a clean table, chair and floor 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sit with feet under table Use an indoor voice Raise your hand for help 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow directions from adults Walk at all times Eat only your food 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Respect other's space Use kind words and actions 
RECESS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Line up when you are called Set a good example Use equipment appropriately 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Play by the rules Invite others to play Keep hands and feet to yourself 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stay in designated area Report problems to an adult Walk to and from building Sit appropriately Walk at all times Stay in designated area 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Take turns Use kind words and actions 
HALLWAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Go directly to your destination Set a good example During class have a pass 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow directions Hold doors for others If you see something, say something 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Walk face forward Keep to the right Keep hallways clear and clean 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Keep hands and feet to self Stay quiet - classes are in progress Use Please and Thank you 



Dates	Events	TOTAL PAWS REQUIRED TO PARTICIPATE
October 14, 2022	DANCE PARTY	30
November 18, 2022	CUPCAKE DECORATION	50
December 16, 2022	GINGERBREAD HOUSE	50
January 13, 2022	MOVIE TIME	50
February 17, 2022	COOKIE PARTY	50
March 14, 2022	LETS MAKE SLIME	50
April 18, 2022	PIZZA PARTY	50
May 26, 2022	ICE CREAM SUNDAE	50
June 23, 2022	PLAYLAND TRIP	200



Cell Phone Policy

Cell phones, smart watches and any other communication devices may not be used while in the school building.

If you feel your child must have a cell phone, it must remain in their backpack, **TURNED OFF** while at school and during after school programs.

Texting and videotaping are not permitted anytime during the school day.

Students will be given a warning if found with their cellphones.


The 2nd incident will result in phone removal and parents must pick up the phone from school.



School Bus Safety



Students must:

- Get on the bus quietly
 - Fasten seat belt immediately
 - Remain in seat until the matron gives permission to leave the seat
 - Keep arms and legs out of the aisle
 - Get permission from bus personnel before opening a window
 - Follow directions of bus personnel
 - Act in an appropriate, responsible manner so that everyone can have a safe bus trip
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Students must NOT:

- Talk to the driver while he/she is driving
- Leave your seat until told to do so by bus personnel
- Fight, throw objects in or out of the bus, annoy others, smoke, light matches, scream, yell, curse, damage the bus, open the door, or do anything that is considered dangerous

Field Trips

School sponsored field trips are designed to complement the curriculum and are related to the Standards of Learning taught. A field trip permission form will be sent home for each trip and must be completed by the parent/guardian.

*Parent/guardian will be notified of each field trip.

*Some field trips may require a nominal fee for student participation.

*Parent/guardian may be required to escort a child on a field trip due to his/her behavior.

*In some cases a student may be denied going on a field trip; should this occur, the parent/guardian will be notified.

Birthday Celebrations

Celebrating a birthday is always an exciting experience for every child. While school is traditionally a place of learning, we also understand the importance of a child celebrating their special day with classmates.

You are always welcome to bring in a treat for your child's birthday. If you are interested in having a birthday party for your child in school, please notify your child's teacher at least a week in advance so that there will be no conflict with other activities.

Cupcakes and juice boxes are preferred. **WE ARE A NUT FREE SCHOOL.** We ask that you please be mindful and read the labels and that you do not bring in anything with peanut traces.

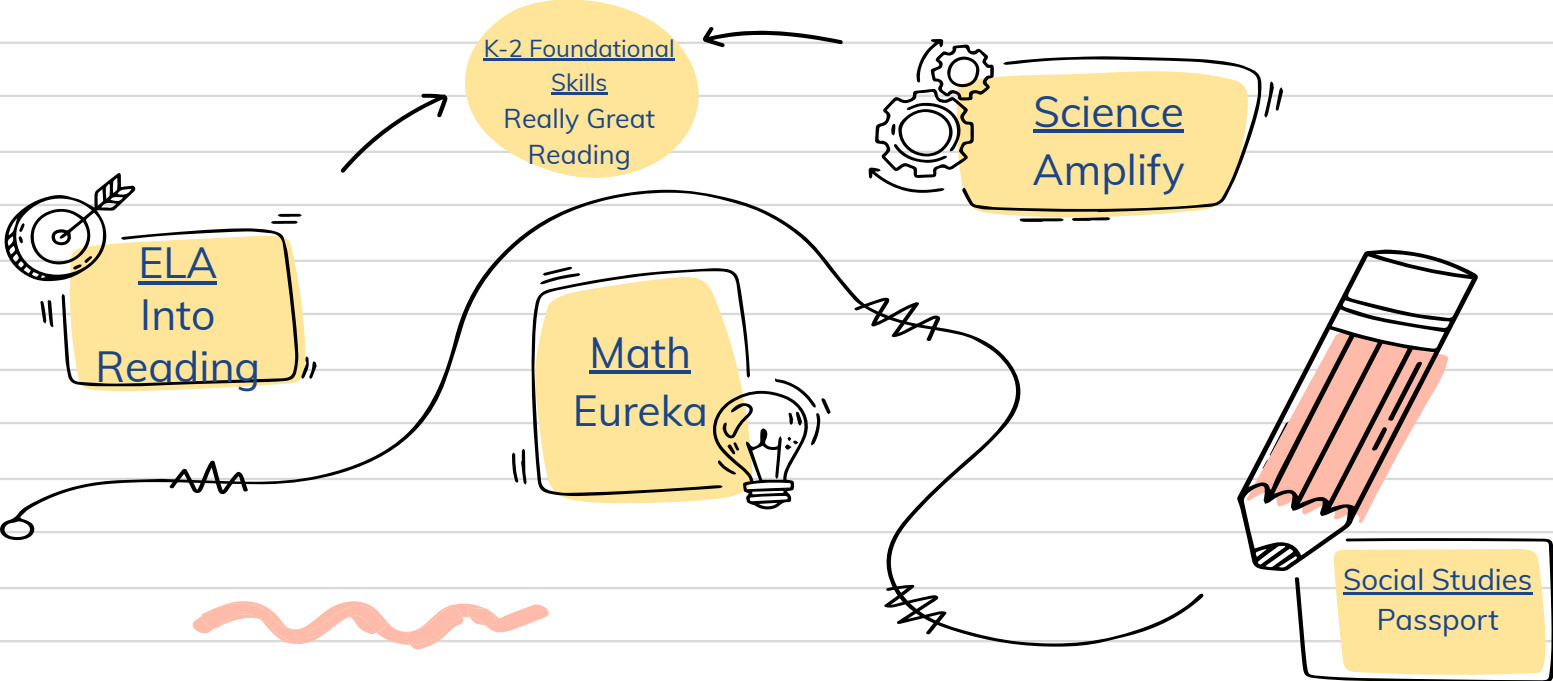
If you are going to give out goodie bags please refrain from candy with nuts and any "toys" that can be dangerous to small children. Please be sure to provide enough "treats" for all the students in your child's class (including napkins, plates, etc.). We also remind you that balloons are NOT permitted in school.

Birthday parties are held at the end of the day. **Parents and siblings are NOT invited to attend any classroom birthday celebrations.** All snacks and treats can be brought to the main office or sent to school with your child.

Lost and Found

Articles found in the building or on school grounds should be turned into the office. Articles not claimed by the end of each month will be discarded or be donated to charitable organizations. To assist in recovery of lost items, please ensure items have your child's name written on them.

School Curriculum



Online Curriculum Resources



Imagine Learning

Imagine Math

Great Minds
Eureka
(Teach Hub)



Into Reading
Digital Platform
(Teach Hub)

Prodigy Math
(Teach Hub)



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GRADING POLICY

Grading Scale

4	100% - 95%	I showed that I mastered the skill with little to no mistakes.
3	94% - 80%	I showed that I understand the skill, but made a few mistakes.
2	70% - 79%	I showed that I am starting to understand the skill. I need more help.
1	Below 70%	I showed that I am trying, but I do not understand the skill yet.

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Homework

10%

Assessments

40%

Classwork

30%

Participation

20%

Parent Teacher Conferences

1. September 15th- Back to School Night
2. November 3rd- Fall Conferences
3. March 9th- Spring Conferences

Parent/Teacher conferences are held two times this year during the months of November and March. Parents will be able to access Report cards on PTC days on your NYCSA account. All conferences will be held virtually. If you have questions or concerns during the year you may schedule an appointment with your child's teacher.

Required Forms



It is essential that each year parents complete the following documents:

- Blue Emergency Cards
- Application for School Breakfast/Lunch
- Signed consent to photograph and videotape students for educational purposes
- Internet Use permission form
- Medical forms with a listing of all immunization

EMERGENCY CARDS

We ask that you please take the time to update emergency contact information on an as-needed basis. In the event of a medical or national emergency or school closing, we must be able to reach you or a family member. Please be sure to notify the school of any changes in address, phone number or emergency contact.

Enrichment Programs and Student Opportunities

ENL Saturday Academy

English as a New Language students in kindergarten through 5th grade are invited to participate in various language development activities on Saturdays.

Art & Music

Students are provided an opportunity to participate in these enrichment programs on a weekly basis.

Inside Broadway

Select students in 3rd & 4th grade are invited to participate in an afterschool arts program twice (2x) per week.

ELA/Math After School

Students in grades 3-5 are invited to attend the afterschool program to reinforce skills and strategies for the state tests.

Make Your Moment

Select students in 5th grade are invited to participate in a 4 session mentoring program with former NY Ranger Stephane Matteau

Mastery Coding

We have partnered with Mastery Coding to offer an afterschool program for our 3rd - 5th grade students. The focus of the program will be to learn about the science, math and technology behind the popular game **MINECRAFT**.



Enrichment Programs and Student Opportunities

Bricks 4 Kids

Road Racers Running

Science Club

Chess Club

Math Olympiads

NY Public Library

Through partnerships with local libraries, students have access to educational programs and resources – including story time, parent workshops, school visits, and library visits.

Helpful Resources

If your child is having difficulty with schoolwork, you can...

- ❖ Contact your child's teacher by:
 - Email
 - Phone @ 718-863-9829
 - School APP

- ❖ Meet with your child's teacher by appointment Monday-Friday
7:50am - 8:20am

If your child is having issues with other students, you can...

- ❖ Notify your child's teacher or guidance counselor

Ms. Jiggetts (x2192)
ljiggetts@schools.nyc.gov

Ms. Pereyra (x2191)
jpereyra2@schools.nyc.gov

Helpful Resources

If your child is having a family issue that is interfering with their schoolwork, you can...

- ❖ Notify your child's teacher or guidance counselor

Ms. Jiggetts (x2192) ljiggetts@schools.nyc.gov

Ms. Pereyra (x2191) jpereyra2@schools.nyc.gov

- ❖ Contact our Parent Coordinator Ms. Rodriguez (x1300)
grodriguez23@schools.nyc.gov

Ways to stay informed with what's going on at P.S. 108

- Visit our School Website <https://www.publicschool108.net/>
- Monthly calendar sent home
- Check your child's folder
- Join P.S. 108 PTA
- Attend PTA meetings
- Read posted flyers around school building
- Call the main office and ask questions (718) 863-9829
- Contact our Parent Coordinator Ms. Rodriguez (x1300) email at grodriguez23@schools.nyc.gov

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One click to call, email and submit important forms directly to us. Subscribe to receive important notifications from groups that are important to you.

EASY TEACHER CONTACT

One click to call, email and visit teacher websites and class resources. Subscribe to receive important notifications from teachers.