



PEEKSKILL HIGH SCHOOL

2023 Class Profile

Peekskill High School

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Mission Statement

The mission of the Peekskill City School District is to educate and empower all students to strive for excellence as life-long learners who embrace diversity and are contributing members of a global society.



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Peekskill High School & Community—Building Bridges of Excellence

Peekskill is a proud multi-culturally diverse community of 24,000 residents located 40 miles north of NYC on the beautiful banks of the Hudson River in Northern Westchester County. This small and tightly knit city is the home of a thriving visual and performing arts community along with unique and trendy restaurants serving as a destination point for the many communities in Westchester and NYC.

Peekskill High School (PHS) serves approximately 1,037 students in grades nine through twelve and interfaces with the many community resources available in Peekskill as well as the surrounding area. Our 100 plus professional staff deliver a multi-faceted educational program with pertinent experiences and opportunities for our students. Whether it is our State of the Profession approach to literacy, exemplary ENL program, unique and timely college level elective programs on Sexism and Racism, an award winning performing arts program in drama, musicals, and singing, or our award winning Robotics program which has exposed PHS to CTE Broadband courses, state of the art STEAM LAB and being the host of the FTC Robotics Competition are a few examples of our commitment to school quality and the caliber of its teaching staff.

Peekskill High School students have access to online and blended learning courses (i.e. OC21), technical programs provided at the Board of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES). The WISE (Individual Senior Experience) Services Program (formally PISE) provides senior externships throughout the Peekskill community and Westchester County. While PHS does not require community service, the community outreach to our high school provides the majority of our students with hundreds of hours of voluntary service to our school and community.

ENROLLMENT STATISTICS

Student Population

Total Students	1037
African American	16%
Hispanic	75%
Asian	1%
White	5%
Multi-racial	3%

Students Receiving Special Services

Limited English Proficient	31%
Economically Disadvantaged	63%

GPA Conversion Chart

<u>GPA</u>	<u>Percentile</u>	<u>Grade</u>
4.0	95-100	A
3.9	94	A
3.7	92	A
3.5	90	A
3.3	88	B
3.1	86	B
2.9	84	B
2.7	82	B
2.5	80	B
2.3	78	C
2.1	76	C
1.9	74	C
1.7	72	C
1.5	70	C
1.3	68	D
1.0 and below	64 and below	F

Grade Point Average

GPA is un-weighted, with the exception of College, Honors and Advanced Placement courses. The first ranking is computed at the end of grade 11 and is reported on all senior transcripts.

Total Graduates in Class of 2023: 191

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

English 9, 10, 11, 12	4 Units - 1 credit each
Global History/Geography I	1 Unit
Global History/Geography II	1 Unit
US History/Government	1 Unit
Economics	.5 Unit
Participation in Government	.5 Unit
Mathematics	3 Units
Science	3 Units
World Language (LOTE)	1 Unit
Art/Music	1 Unit
Physical Education	2 Unit
Health Education	.5 Unit
Electives	3.5 Units
Total	22 credits

A student must also demonstrate competency through New York State Education Department examinations in Math, English, US History / Government, Global History / Geography and Science for a Local or Regents diploma.

Class of 2023 Diploma Types

Regents with Advanced Designation Honors: 15

Regents with Advanced Designation: 34

Regents Honors: 4

Regents: 127

Local: 5

SACC: 3

TASC: 3

Class of 2023 Post Secondary Education

Attending College: 138

Technical School, Military, Work: 53

Of those Attending College:

4 yr. College: 91

Class Ranking

Class Rank is based on an average of final grades in all courses beginning with the first high school level course with the exception of physical education and Pass/Fail courses.

Most Challenging Courses of Study Offered at Peekskill High School				
English	Social Studies	Mathematics	Science	LOTE
English H	Global Studies H AP African Amer. History	Geometry H	Living Environment H	Spanish 5 H
AP Language & Composition	AP World History	Accelerated Math (8th Grade Algebra 1)	Chemistry H	AP Spanish Language
AP Literature & Composition	AP US History	AP Pre-Calculus	Physics H AP Biology	AP Spanish Literature
	AP US Gov't & Politics	AP Calculus AB AP Computer Science	Accelerated Earth Science (8th Grade)	
Dual Enrollment Courses Offered at Peekskill High School				
Partnering College/ University	English	Social Studies	Science	LOTE
<i>SUNY Albany</i>	African Diaspora Intro to Hip Hop Studies	Latin American Caribbean, Sociology Classism, Racism, Sexism, Public Policy in Modern US, Government and Social Justice, College Women's Studies	Peekskill Science Research	Latino USA
<i>Westchester Community College</i>			Anatomy & Physiology I College Astronomy College Forensics	Intermediate Spanish

Peekskill Science Research Program: The Peekskill Science Research (PSR) Program at Peekskill High School is an unique opportunity for students to experience the rigor and rewards of college-level scientific research while in high school. The three-year sequence of courses is offered in conjunction with SUNY Albany, and students have the option to earn up to 12 college credits. During their sophomore year, students learn research methods, choose a topic of interest, and conduct a literature review. During their junior year, students design an original experiment assisted by a mentor - a working scientist from the private or public sector, or a college or university professor. Students are encouraged to participate in internships during their junior and senior summers to complete their experiments. PSR students participate in local science fairs, and successful students may join the regional and national science fairs. To date, PSR program has won awards at Somers Science Fair, Junior Science and Humanities Symposium, and Westchester Science and Engineering fairs.

Putnam Northern Westchester BOCES: Students can gain a competitive edge by enrolling in one of 40 Career and Technical Education courses at PNW BOCES. Programs range from arts and humanities, business, engineering, health, human and public services, and natural and agricultural sciences.

BOCES New Visions Program: The New Visions programs at BOCES are academically rigorous one year programs for college bound seniors. These programs allow students to earn honors, AP and college credit while working with industry professionals. Many of the New Visions programs are located at sites where students can watch and learn from field practitioners in their work environment. Students who are interested in participating in New Visions programs must have a strong academic record and commitment to the selected career area.

Broadband Academy: Broadband Academy is a Certified Training Program that teaches students real-world skills using a hands-on-training approach. Students that complete this course can receive industry-recognized certifications. After obtaining an in-demand skill set, students are ready to enter the workforce. **Students can earn certifications in: Telecommunications Technologies, Network Cabling: Copper Based Systems, Network Cabling: Fiber Optics Based Systems, Telephone Systems & VoIP, Home Entertainment Residential Audio/Video Systems, Energy Management Systems, and Grounding and Bonding.**

OC21 (Online Courses for the 21st Century): Students have the opportunity to choose from eight dynamic online courses designed to expand their knowledge, interest and experience. **Currently the courses are: Foundations of Engineering and Contemporary Construction Technology, You Are What You Eat: The Truth Behind Our Food; Sports Management, Media, Marketing and Analysis, Introduction to Anthropology, Brain Games, Zero To Sixty: Writing Your First Novel (A), Adventures in Programming, Beyond Mindfulness.** Through a consortium of school districts, organized by PNW BOCES, students have the ability to learn alongside teachers and students from across our region. Utilizing a blended learning approach, students and staff collaborate through two face to face half-day meetings and online.

Peekskill High School Honor Societies

National Honor Society

Mu Alpha Theta

NYS Mathematics Honor Society

Sociedad Honoraria Hispanica

Spanish Honor Society

Science National Honor Society

Rho Kappa

Social Studies Honor Society

National English Honor Society

Tri-M Music National Honor Society

2023 AP Examinations

All students enrolled in AP Courses are required to take exams. In 2023, 103 Peekskill High School students took a total of 153 AP examinations. In 2023, 70 PHS students scored 3 or higher on the AP exams, which is 67.96% of Total AP students.

AP Scholars 7

(students scoring 3 or higher on 3 or more exams)

AP Scholars with Honor 3

(students scoring an average of at least 3.25 on all exams, and 3 or higher on 4 or more exams)

AP Scholars with Distinction 4

(students scoring an average of 3.5 on all AP Exams taken and 3 or higher on 5 or more exams)



Total Graduates in the Class of 2023:191 Students from the Class of 2023 Are Attending...

Adelphi University

Alfred State College

Barnard College

Boston College

College of Mount Saint Vincent

CUNY Bernard M Baruch College

CUNY Borough of Manhattan Community College

CUNY Hunter College

CUNY John Jay College of Criminal Justice

Dutchess Community College

Hampton University

Iona University

Liberty University

Lincoln Tech

Louisiana State University

Manhattan College

Manhattanville College

Marist College

Mercy College

Monroe College

New York Institute of Technology

Occidental College

Orange County Community College

Pace University

PNW BOCES

Rochester Institute of Technology

Rockland Community College

St. John's University

State University of New York at New Paltz

Stony Brook University

SUNY Buffalo State

SUNY College at Plattsburgh

SUNY College at Potsdam

SUNY College of Technology at Delhi

SUNY Morrisville

SUNY Oneonta

Syracuse University

The College of Westchester

The University of the Arts

Universal Technical Institute

University at Albany

University at Buffalo

University of Chicago

University of Connecticut

University of Hartford

University of Scranton

Westchester Community College