

Pulaski Road School NewsReel

"Where Cubs Become Tigers"
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Welcome to the New School Year!

Dear Pulaski Families,

Welcome to the 2024-2025 school year! We're excited to begin this journey together and look forward to all the learning, growth, and fun ahead.

This year, our focus is on creating a positive and welcoming environment where every child feels valued and supported. We want all students to experience a strong sense of belonging, not just in the classroom but throughout the entire school. Daily Morning Meetings in classrooms, as part of our social and emotional learning, will help students build connections, share ideas, and start each day on a strong foundation. Our students look forward to starting the day in this way!

On the academic front, we're committed to providing personalized learning for every student. As our teachers get to know students as learners, we will tailor instruction to meet their specific needs, helping them achieve their goals in all learning areas. We'll also encourage students to set their own goals and reflect on their progress, empowering them to take an active role in their education. Our teachers will work closely together to monitor student growth and provide the support needed to ensure every child has the opportunity to succeed.

We look forward to the many enriching learning opportunities we have planned for October. Please check out the important dates (below) and note them on your calendar. We're excited to celebrate Halloween with a parade at school on October 31st at 1:30 PM, and all are welcome to attend! To ensure the day is fun and memorable for everyone, we kindly ask that costumes are school-appropriate, with no full masks, blood, or scary clowns, and please leave toy weapons (like swords or other items) at home, as they will not be permitted in the parade

We look forward to an amazing year ahead and working with you. Thank you for your continued support and partnership in your child's education!

Warmly, Lori Beekman Principal

Classroom Happenings! Click HERE







Spotlight on Social-Emotional Learning

At Pulaski Road School, social-emotional learning is a cornerstone of our educational approach, fostering a supportive environment where students can thrive both academically and personally. Our Tree of Kindness in the All-Purpose Room serves as a vibrant testament to our commitment, with each leaf showcasing a student's demonstration of good character and kindness.

This month, I've been visiting classrooms to talk with students about the importance of respect and share key anti-bullying messages. These discussions are part of our effort to build a culture of empathy and understanding at our school. Each grade level has been working on activities tailored to their developmental stage, helping students develop crucial self-regulation skills. These skills empower them to manage their emotions and interactions more effectively. Together, these lessons foster a nurturing community that supports emotional growth and positive relationships among all students. We are off to a terrific start!

Warmly, Jim Durand Elementary School Counselor



Upcoming Events

10/1 - PTA Meeting 7pm Pulaski Library

10/3-10/4 - No School (Rosh Hashanah)

10/8 - Picture Day

10/10 BOE Meeting

10/11 - Emergency Management Drill (students released 15 minutes early)

10/14 - No School (Columbus Day)

10/16 - PTA Meeting/Title I Presentation - 7pm

10/21 - RAP Week and Book Fair

10/22- ENL Celebration - All Purpose Room - 5pm

10/23 - BOE Meeting

10/25 - PTA Fall Festival

10/31 - Pulaski Halloween Parade -1:30 pm



Important Reminders

<u>School Closures:</u> Please note that school will be closed on the following dates:

- Thursday, October 3rd, and Friday, October 4th for Rosh Hashanah
- Monday, October 14th for Columbus Day

<u>Emergency Management Drill:</u> An emergency drill will take place on Friday, October 11th. All students will be dismissed 15 minutes early. Please plan accordingly for an early pick-up or bus schedules.

Emergency Management Drill info can be found here.



Spotlight on Academics

We had an amazing September focusing on Responsive Classroom practices with our Kindergarten through fourth-grade students! This approach supports learning in school as it creates an environment in which students feel comfortable asking questions and participating.

Over the past month, students have been busy helping to create class expectations, learning and practicing daily routines, and participating in engaging community-building activities like Morning Meetings. These experiences will continue to build a positive, connected, and supportive classroom where everyone feels welcome and ready to learn. It was wonderful to see so many new connections being made in all of our classrooms at Pulaski!

We look forward to a productive year ahead!

Warmly, Kacey Wallace Elementary Instructional Coordinator

District Pesticide Letter 2024-25

<u>Click here for the informational letter regarding the district's use of pesticides.</u>



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