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# DEER PARK

UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

## 2024-2025 CALENDAR & DIRECTORY



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# Deer Park 2024-2025

## School District Directory & Calendar

### *A Message From Your Superintendent of Schools*

To All Deer Park Community Members:

As we embark on the 2024-2025 school year, I am pleased to present the Deer Park UFSD Calendar & Directory. This comprehensive document provides a detailed listing of daily activities and events that will take place over the course of the next school year. In addition, you will find important information with regards to school information, policies, operating procedures, phone numbers and services that will help the next year be more exciting and rewarding.

The events listed are a direct result of tireless planning from the Deer Park Board of Education, administration, faculty and staff, as well as myriad parent and volunteer groups.

In addition to this publication, you can find up to date announcements and changes on the district website at [www.deerparkschools.org](http://www.deerparkschools.org). There are also several social media sites managed by buildings, departments, teams, groups, etc., that you can subscribe to in order to receive notifications for events and activities.

I firmly believe that a good home/school partnership is critical to our shared success. If you do not find the information you are looking for in this publication, please don't hesitate to call the district office or your child's school.

On behalf of all of the district's staff, I am excited to be welcoming all the students back for another great year, and I look forward to seeing all of you at the wonderful events and activities planned throughout the school year.

Sincerely,

James Cummings  
Superintendent of Schools



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### BOARD MEETING GUIDELINES

1. The Board of Education is a statutorily constituted body engaged in public education. The Board acts in accordance with the authority and responsibility vested in it by law. The Board may seek advice and suggestions from the public but may not abdicate its legal responsibility to make decisions. Each member volunteers their time and receives no remuneration for their service.

2. Board of Education meetings are scheduled to consider and act upon specific items of business as listed on the agenda made available to the public at the beginning of each meeting.

3. The Board has set aside time at the monthly open meetings when residents may address the Board. This time is listed on the agenda. A person wishing to speak must sign in prior to the meeting commencing. The resident will be requested to record his or her name and address, the organization, if any, that he or she represents, and the agenda item or topic to be discussed.

4. Questions should be directed to the president of the Board. Every effort will be made to provide answers based upon available factual information. Questions requiring a review of policies or information not immediately available to the Board or to the school administrators present at a meeting will be referred for study and replied to at a future date.

5. The minutes of Board of Education meetings are a matter of public record and may be accessed online at [www.deerparkschools.org](http://www.deerparkschools.org) under the BOE section.



*The Deer Park 2024-2025 Board of Education: (back, from left) trustee Jerry D. Jean-Pierre, trustee Al Centamore, trustee Anthony Henkel, trustee Mahwish Yaqoob, trustee Donna Gulli Grunseich, Assistant Superintendent for Business and Operations Marguerite Jimenez, Assistant Superintendent for Pupil Personnel Services Alicia Konecny, (front, from left) President Donna Marie Elliott, Superintendent of Schools James Cummings, Vice President Kristine Rosales, District Clerk Lisa Brennan.*

### Board of Education Meetings:

Regular open Board meetings are generally held on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 8 p.m. (except school holidays). Work sessions are held at 7:30 p.m. All meeting dates and times are subject to change at Board discretion.

### BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Board of Education has seven members, each elected for a term of three years. Each member volunteers their time and receives no remuneration for their service. Candidates for the Board must be qualified voters of the school district and are nominated by petition. Such petitions shall be directed to the clerk of the school district, and shall be signed by at least 25 qualified voters of the district or 2% of the number of voters who voted in the previous election, whichever is greater.

### BOARD MEMBERS

Donna Marie Elliott, Pres.	Elliott.d@deerparkschools.org
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Mahwish Yaqoob	Yaqoob.m@deerparkschools.org
Lisa Brennan, District Clerk	Brennan.l@deerparkschools.org
	631-274-4013

Check the Board of Education calendar on the district website for updates or changes.

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### Deer Park High School

(DPHS)

Grades 9-12

Principal – Charles Cobb

1 Falcon Place

Main Office – 631-274-4110

Guidance Office – 631-274-4120

Nurse’s Office – 631-274-4130

Attendance – 631-274-4133

### Robert Frost Middle School

(RF)

Grades 6-8

Principal – Eliana Levey, Ed.D.

450 Half Hollow Road

Main Office – 631-274-4210

Nurse’s Office – 631-274-4230

Attendance – 631-274-4233

### John F. Kennedy Intermediate School

(JFK)

Grades 3-5

Principal – Kelly Benson

101 Lake Ave.

Main Office – 631-274-4310

Nurse’s Office – 631-274-4330

Attendance – 631-274-4333

### John Quincy Adams Primary School

(JQA)

Grades Prekindergarten-2

Principal – Christopher Molinelli

172 Old Country Road

Main Office – 631-274-4410

Nurse’s Office – 631-274-4430

Attendance – 631-274-4433

### May Moore Primary School

(MM)

Grades Prekindergarten-2

Principal – Tammy Alcalde

239 Central Ave.

Main Office – 631-274-4460

Nurse’s Office – 631-274-4480

Attendance – 631-274-4483



### Central Registration at Abraham Lincoln School

300 Park Ave.

Main Office – 631-274-4372

### Buildings and Grounds Facility

41 Homer Ave.

Administrator of Facilities and Operations –

Jeffrey LaFlair

631-274-4080

### Transportation Facility

81 Lake Ave.

Karen Camodeo

631-274-4060

### School Organizations

See Page 43 for Officer Listings

## DISTRICT PHONE NUMBERS

Athletics, Physical Education, Health and

Recreation .....631-274-4180

Business and Operations .....631-274-4020

Curriculum and Instruction .....631-274-4050

District Clerk .....631-274-4013

District Offices (Information Attendant) ...631-274-4000

Personnel .....631-274-4030

Pool.....631-274-4186

Pupil Personnel Services .....631-274-4040

Superintendent’s Office .....631-274-4010



# Deer Park 2024-2025

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### DISTRICT PROFILE

The Deer Park Union Free School District encompasses 5½ square miles in the Town of Babylon and serves approximately 37,000 residents. There are five public schools in the district: Deer Park High School (9-12), Robert Frost Middle School (6-8), John F. Kennedy Intermediate School (3-5), John Quincy Adams Primary School (pre-K-2) and May Moore Primary School (pre-K-2). Total enrollment (pre-K through 12) is approximately 4,000 students.

### CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION

James Cummings, *Superintendent of Schools*  
631-274-4010

#### *Assistant Superintendents*

Marguerite Jimenez, *Business and Operations*  
631-274-4020

Alicia Konecny, *Pupil Personnel Services*  
631-274-4040

### VOTING/REGISTRATION

Qualified residents vote each year on the annual school budget and the election of Board of Education members. The budget covers the operation and maintenance of the schools for one fiscal year, from July 1 to June 30.

For information on how to register to vote, please check the district website or call the district clerk's office.

The vote is held in May and the polling place is in the Deer Park High School gymnasium at 1 Falcon Place, Deer Park.

Residents are qualified to vote in a school district election if they are: (a) citizens of the United States; (b) 18 years of age and over; (c) residents of the school district for 30 days prior to the date of voting; and (d) registered voters.

### LA VOTACIÓN/REGISTRACIÓN

Residentes calificados votan cada año por el presupuesto escolar anual y la elección de los administradores de la Junta Educativa. El presupuesto cubre la operación y mantenimiento de las escuelas para un año fiscal del 1 de julio al 30 de junio.

Para información con respecto a como registrar para votar, vea el sitio del web del distrito o llame a la oficina del oficinista del distrito.

El lugar de votación para registración y votación es el gimnasio de la Escuela Secundaria de Deer Park, 1 Falcon Place, Deer Park.

Residentes tienen las calificaciones para votar en una elección del distrito escolar si son: (1) ciudadanos de los Estados Unidos Americanos; (2) tienen 18 años o más; (3) residentes del distrito por 30 días antes de la fecha de votación; (4) votantes registrados.

# SEPTEMBER

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OCTOBER 2024						
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September is Hispanic Heritage Month

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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	<p><b>Labor Day</b></p> <p>Schools Closed</p> <p>Pool Closed</p>	<p><b>First Day of School</b></p> <p><b>DPHS/RF Qtr. 1, Semester 1 Begins</b></p> <p>JQA/MM Pre-K Open House</p>	<p><b>JQA/MM</b> Pre-K Half Day</p> <p><b>RF</b> First Day of Modified Fall Sports Practices</p>	<p><b>JQA/MM</b> First Full Day of Pre-K</p>	<p><b>JQA</b> Welcome Back Staff Breakfast</p> <p><b>MM</b> Spirit Day: Wear Grey, White &amp; Maroon</p> <p><b>MM</b> Welcome Back Picnic/Movie Night</p>	
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	<p><b>SEPFC</b> Membership Drive Begins</p> <p><b>DPAC</b> Mtg. @ DPHS 7p.m.</p>	<p><b>BOE</b> Work Session 7:30p.m. @ District Office</p>	<p><b>Patriot Day</b></p> <p>Districtwide Flag Planting/Spirit Day: Wear Red, White &amp; Blue</p>	<p><b>DPHS</b> Back to School Night 6:30p.m.</p> <p><b>DPHS</b> ENL Parent Orientation</p>		<p><b>ACT</b> 8a.m. (Other Sites)</p> <p><b>DPHS</b> Varsity Football vs. Bellport 1p.m.</p>




<p>15</p>	<p>JQA Fall Mum Sale</p> <p>JFK Fall Photos</p> <p>16</p>	<p>JFK PFC Mtg. 7p.m.</p> <p>17</p>	<p>JFK Meet the Teacher &amp; Curriculum Night</p> <p>JFK ENL Parent Orientation</p> <p>18</p>	<p>JQA/MM Meet the Teacher/Curriculum Night</p> <p>JQA/MM ENL Parent Orientation</p> <p>19</p>	<p>DPHS Varsity Football @ Smithtown West 6:30p.m.</p> <p>20</p>	<p>21</p>
<p>JQA/MM Color Run 10a.m.</p> <p>22</p>	<p>RF Gr. 6 Club Fair/ Ice Cream Social 2:45-4p.m.</p> <p>23</p>	<p>BOE Regular Open Mtg. @ District Office 8p.m.</p> <p>24</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>DPHS PFC Hoodie/Spiritwear Order Deadline</p> <p>RF Back to School Night 6:30p.m.</p> <p>RF ENL Parent Orientation</p> <p>26</p>	<p>DPHS Varsity Football @ Half Hollow Hills East 3p.m.</p> <p>27</p>	<p>28</p>
<p>JQA/MM Color Run Rain Date 10a.m.</p> <p>29</p>	<p>30</p>				<p><b>IMPORTANT DATES – AUGUST</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Aug. 1-4: DPHS Senior Portraits 8:30a.m.-3p.m.</li> <li>Aug. 19: DPHS First Day of Football Practice</li> <li>Aug. 20: BOE Work Session &amp; Open Meeting @ DO 8p.m.</li> <li>Aug. 21: JQA/MM Kindergarten Meet &amp; Greet</li> <li>Aug. 22: RF Gr. 6 Orientation 9-11a.m.</li> <li>Aug. 22: JQA/MM Kindergarten Meet &amp; Greet Rain Date</li> <li>Aug. 24: SAT 8a.m. (Other Sites)</li> <li>Aug. 26: DPHS First Day of Practices for Other Sports</li> <li>Aug. 27: DPHS Freshman Orientation 9a.m.</li> <li>Aug. 27: JFK Gr. 3 Scavenger Hunt 12p.m.</li> <li>Aug. 28-29: Superintendent's Conference Days</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Check District Website for Fall Pool Schedule</b></p>	

# OCTOBER

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October is Italian Heritage Month

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		MM PFC Mtg. 6:30p.m.	Rosh Hashanah Begins at Sunset	Rosh Hashanah Schools Closed	Rosh Hashanah Schools Closed	SAT 8a.m. (Other Sites)  DPHS Varsity Football @ Newfield 2p.m.
		1	2	3	4	5
	DPAC Mtg. @ DPHS 7p.m.	BOE Committees 6:30p.m./Work Session 7:30p.m. @ District Office	DPHS Varsity Football vs. Smithtown East 6p.m.	SEPFC Mtg. @ JFK 7p.m.	Yom Kippur Begins at Sunset  JQA School Store  MM Spirit Day & "Moore" Store	Yom Kippur
6	7	8	9	10	11	12





13	<b>Columbus Day</b> <b>Schools Closed</b> <b>Pool Closed</b>	14	<b>MM</b> Pre-K Pumpkin Workshop	15	<b>MM</b> Trunk or Treat <b>RF</b> Fall Photos <b>DPHS</b> Senior Portrait Makeups	16	19
20	<b>JQA</b> Fall Photos <b>MM</b> Pumpkin Patch	<b>BOE Regular Open Mtg. @ District Office 8p.m.</b> <b>MM</b> Pumpkin Patch Rain Date	<b>JQA</b> Pumpkin Patch <b>JQA</b> Pre-K Pumpkin Workshop Newsday Marching Band Festival @ Mitchel Field 7p.m.	<b>JFK/JQA/MM</b> K-5 ENL Parent Fair @ JFK <b>JQA</b> Pumpkin Patch Rain Date <b>DPHS</b> Underclassmen Photos	<b>DPHS</b> Athletic Hall of Fame Induction 7p.m. <b>JFK/JQA</b> Spirit Day: Wear Orange & Black <b>JQA</b> Fall Photos <b>JQA</b> Trunk or Treat	<b>ACT 8a.m. (Other Sites)</b> <b>DPHS Homecoming Parade 11a.m.</b> <b>DPHS</b> Varsity Football vs. Huntington 1:30p.m. <b>Pool Closed</b>	26
27	<b>RF</b> #FrostFamily Event 6p.m. <b>JQA</b> Food Drive Begins	21	<b>JQA/MM</b> Laser Show	<b>DPHS</b> College & Career Fair 6-7:30p.m. <b>RF</b> Early Winter Sports Physicals <b>JFK</b> Gr. 3 Monster Mash 6-8p.m.	<b>Halloween</b> <b>JFK</b> Gr. 3 Halloween Parade 11a.m. <b>JQA</b> Halloween Parade 10a.m. <b>MM</b> Halloween Parade	22	31
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# N O V E M B E R

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November is National Native American Heritage Month

DECEMBER 2024						
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
				<p><b>Diwali</b></p> <p><b>Superintendent's Conference Day</b></p> <p><b>Schools Closed for Students</b></p> <p><b>No Senior Citizen Swim</b></p> <p><b>DPHS Varsity Football vs. Copiague 6p.m.</b></p>		<p><b>SAT @ DPHS 8a.m.</b></p>	
<p><b>Daylight Saving Time Ends – Set Clocks Back One Hour</b></p>		<p><b>Election Day</b></p> <p><b>Schools Closed</b></p> <p><b>Pool Closed</b></p>		<p><b>DPHS/RF Qtr. 1 Ends, Parent Portal Closed</b></p> <p><b>MM Fall Photos</b></p> <p><b>NYSNAME All-County Rehearsals</b></p>		<p><b>DPHS/RF Qtr. 2 Begins</b></p> <p><b>DPHS Parent-Teacher Evening Conferences 5-8p.m.</b></p> <p><b>JFK Student Government Assembly &amp; Election 9:30a.m.</b></p>	
<p><b>MM Spirit Day &amp; "Moore" Store</b></p>		<p><b>JQA Fall Book Fair</b></p>		<p><b>DPHS Student Theater Showcase 7p.m.</b></p>			
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10	<b>Veterans Day</b> <b>Schools Closed</b> <b>Pool Closed</b>	<b>BOE Committees</b> <b>6:30p.m./Work</b> <b>Session 7:30p.m.</b> <b>@ District Office</b>	<b>DPHS Winter Sports</b> <b>Physicals</b> <b>DPHS Varsity Fall</b> <b>Sports Recognition</b> <b>Ceremony 6:30p.m.</b>  <b>RF Parent-Teacher</b> <b>Conferences 5-8p.m.</b>  <b>JFK PFC Mtg. 7p.m.</b>	<b>DPHS/RF Qtr. 1</b> <b>Report Cards,</b> <b>Parent Portal Open</b>  <b>DPHS National Honor</b> <b>Society Induction</b> <b>6:30p.m.</b>  <b>NYSCAME All-County</b> <b>Rehearsals</b>	<b>DPAC Sweets and</b> <b>a Show @ DPHS</b> <b>6:30p.m.</b>  <b>NYSCAME All-County</b> <b>Rehearsals &amp; Concert</b> <b>7:30p.m.</b>	16
17	<b>DPHS First Day of</b> <b>Winter Sports</b>	<b>MM PFC Mtg. 6:30p.m.</b>	<b>DPHS Fall Breakfast</b> <b>for Champions @</b> <b>DPHS Library 8a.m.</b>  <b>RF Parent-Teacher</b> <b>Conferences 5-8p.m.</b>	<b>DPHS Parent-Teacher</b> <b>Conferences 5-8p.m.</b>	<b>JFK/JQA/MM</b> <b>Trimester 1 Ends</b>  <b>DPHS French Dinner</b> <b>@ Cafe</b>	23
24	<b>DPHS International</b> <b>Thespian Honor</b> <b>Society Cabaret Night</b> <b>6p.m.</b>	<b>BOE Regular Open</b> <b>Mtg. @ District</b> <b>Office 8p.m.</b>	<b>Districtwide Half-Hour</b> <b>Early Dismissal Drill</b>	<b>Thanksgiving Day</b>  <b>Thanksgiving Recess</b> <b>Schools Closed – Pool Closed</b>		30
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# DECEMBER

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JANUARY 2025						
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		<b>DPHS</b> Last Call for Senior Portrait Makeups  <b>SEPFPC</b> Holiday Fair	<b>JFK/JQA/MM Parent-Teacher Conferences Pre-K-5 &amp; Half Days *</b>			<b>SAT 8a.m. (Other Sites)</b>  <b>RF</b> Musical Theater Club Performance 5p.m.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
<b>NYSSMA Music Winter Conference</b>	<b>DPAC</b> Mtg. @ DPHS 7p.m. <b>MM</b> PFC Holiday Kickoff & Evening Holiday Boutique	<b>JFK</b> Winter Concerts 6:30p.m. & 7:30p.m.	<b>NYSSMA Music Winter Conference</b>			<b>ACT 8a.m. (Other Sites)</b>
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	<b>RF</b> Winter Concert Dress Rehearsals			<b>RF</b> Winter Concerts 7p.m.		
	<b>MM</b> Holiday Boutique		<b>JQA</b> Holiday Boutique			

	MM Fall Photo Makeups	BOE Work Session/ Open Mtg. @ District Office 8p.m.			JFK/JQA/MM Santa Visit & Winter Singalong  JFK/JQA Spirit Day: Wear Ugly Sweaters		
			JFK Holiday Fair				
	DPHS Winter Concert Dress Rehearsals						
			DPHS Winter Concerts 7p.m.				
15	16	17	18	19	20	21	
		Christmas Eve	Christmas Day  Hanukkah Begins at Sunset	First Day of Kwanzaa			
	Winter Holiday Recess – Schools Closed Check District Website for Pool Schedule						
22	23	24	25	26	27	28	
		New Year's Eve					
29	30	31				<p><b>*NOTE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• JFK half-day dismissal starts at 11a.m.</li> <li>• JQA and MM half-day dismissals start at 11:30a.m.</li> </ul>	

# JANUARY


## DECEMBER 2024

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January is National Mentoring Month

## FEBRUARY 2025

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23	24	25	26	27	28	

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday			
			<b>New Year's Day</b> <b>Schools Closed</b> <b>Pool Closed</b>						
			<b>Winter Holiday Recess – Schools Closed</b> <b>Check District Website for Pool Schedule</b>						
						1	2	3	4
					<b>BOE Committees</b> <b>6:30p.m./Work</b> <b>Session 7:30p.m.</b> <b>@ District Office</b>	<b>RF Late Winter Sports</b> <b>Physicals</b>  <b>MM PFC Virtual Mtg.</b> <b>6:30p.m.</b>	<b>SEPFC Mtg. @ JFK</b> <b>7p.m.</b>	<b>MM Spirit Day &amp;</b> <b>"Moore" Store</b>	
5	6	7	8	9	<b>LISFA Secondary Rehearsals</b> 10	11			



12	<p><b>JQA/MM Pre-K &amp; Kindergarten Registration (Online Only)</b></p> <p>RF First Day of Modified Late Winter Sports Practices</p> <p>DPAC Mtg. @ DPHS 7p.m.</p>	13	<p><b>JQA/MM Pre-K Registration (Appt. Only) 8:30a.m.-3p.m.</b></p>	14	<p><b>JQA/MM Kindergarten Registration (Appt. Only) 8:30a.m.-3p.m.</b></p>	15	16	17	18
19	<p><b>Martin Luther King Jr. Day</b></p> <p><b>Schools Closed</b></p> <p><b>Pool Closed</b></p>	20	<p><b>BOE Regular Open Mtg. @ District Office 8p.m.</b></p> <p>JFK Gr. 3 Sports Night 5:45p.m.</p> <p>JFK Gr. 4 Sports Night 5:45p.m.</p>	21	22	23	24	25	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	<p><b>DPHS/RF Qtr. 2, Semester 1 Ends, Parent Portal Closed</b></p> <p><b>JQA/MM Kindergarten Registration (Appt. Only) 8:30a.m.-3p.m.</b></p> <p>JFK PFC Mtg. 7p.m. JFK Gr. 5 Sports Night 5:45p.m. MM Kindergarten Blizzard Day Concert</p> <p><b>DPHS Winter Play 7p.m.</b></p> <p><b>LISFA Intermediate Rehearsals</b></p> <p><b>DPHS Regents Exams/Classes in Session</b></p> 			

# FEBRUARY


**JANUARY 2025**


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February is Black History Month

**MARCH 2025**

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						<p>MM Raise Craze Begins</p> <p style="text-align: right; font-size: 2em;">1</p>
<p>DPHS/RF Qtr. 2 Report Cards, Parent Portal Open</p> <p>DPHS PFC Scholarship Packets Mailed</p> <p>SEPFC Mtg. @ JFK 7p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em;">2</p>	<p>JQA/MM Pre-K Registration (Appt. Only) 8:30a.m.-3p.m.</p> <p>BOE Committees 6:30p.m./Work Session 7:30p.m. @ District Office</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em;">3</p>	<p>JQA/MM Kindergarten Registration (Appt. Only) 8:30a.m.-3p.m.</p> <p>MM Pre-K Winter Workshop</p> <p>MM PFC Virtual Mtg. 6:30p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em;">4</p>	<p>JFK PFC Meeting 7p.m.</p> <p>JQA Pre-K Heart Workshop</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em;">5</p>	<p>JFK Spirit Day: Jersey Day</p> <p>MM Spirit Day &amp; "Moore" Store</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em;">6</p>	<p>ACT 8a.m. (Other Sites)</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em;">7</p>	<p style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em;">8</p>

9	<b>MM ENL Family Fun Night</b>  <b>DPAC Mtg. @ DPHS</b> 7p.m.	10	11	<b>JFK Gr. 4 Winter Wonderland</b>	<b>MM Gr. 2 Dance</b> 6-8p.m.	<b>Valentine's Day</b>  Districtwide P.S. I Love You Day  <b>DPHS Senior Breakfast</b>  <b>JQA Spirit Day: Wear Red &amp; Pink</b>  <b>MM Raise Craze Ends</b>	15
16	<b>Presidents Day</b>					22	
<b>Midwinter Recess – Schools Closed</b> <b>Check District Website for Pool Schedule</b>							
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		<b>BOE Regular Open Mtg. @ District Office</b> 8p.m.			<b>JFK Variety Show</b> 7p.m.		



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March is World Languages and Cultural Awareness Month  
 March is Music in Our Schools Month  
 March is Theater in Our Schools Month  
 March is Women's History Month

APRIL 2025

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<p><b>*NOTE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• JFK half-day dismissal starts at 11a.m.</li> <li>• JQA and MM half-day dismissals start at 11:30a.m.</li> </ul>						<p>SCMEA All-County Div. I, II &amp; III Rehearsals</p> <p style="text-align: right; font-size: 2em;">1</p>		
	<p>MM READ Kickoff</p>	<p>JQA World Language Exploration Day</p> <p>SEPFM Mtg. @ JFK 7p.m.</p>		<p>DPHS/RF 6-12 ENL Parent-Teacher Conferences</p>		<p>SAT 8a.m. (Other Sites)</p> <p>DPHS Junior Ring Dance</p> <p>SCMEA All-County Div. I, II &amp; III Rehearsals, All-County Div. III Concert</p>		
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<p><b>Daylight Saving Time Begins – Set Clocks Forward One Hour</b></p> <p>SCMEA All-County Div. I &amp; II Concerts</p>	<p>RF #FrostFamily Event 6p.m.</p> <p>JQA READ Kickoff</p> <p>DPAC Mtg. @ DPHS 7p.m.</p>	<p><b>JQA/MM Pre-K &amp; Kindergarten Registration (Appt. Only) 8:30a.m. -3p.m.</b></p> <p><b>BOE Work Session/ Budget Mtg. 1 @ District Office 7:30p.m.</b></p> <p>DPHS Spring Sports Physicals</p>	<p>DPHS Varsity Winter Sports Recognition Ceremony 6:30p.m.</p>	<p>MM READ Pajama Night</p>	<p><b>Purim Begins at Sunset</b></p> <p>JFK/JQA/MM Trimester 2 Ends</p> <p>JQA School Store</p> <p>MM READ Ends</p>		
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<p>16</p>	<p><b>St. Patrick's Day</b></p> <p>DPHS First Day of Spring Sports</p> <p>JFK/JQA/MM Spirit Day: Wear Green</p>	<p>RF Spring Sports Physicals</p>	<p>JQA READ Pajama Night</p> <p>MM World Language Exploration Day</p>	<p>JQA Book Fair</p>	<p>RF Drama Club Play 7p.m.</p> <p>MM Auction</p>	<p>22</p>	
<p>30</p>	<p><b>Eid al-Fitr</b></p> <p><b>Schools Closed</b></p>	<p>BOE Open Mtg./ Budget Mtg. 2 @ District Office 8p.m.</p>	<p>JFK Parent-Teacher Evening Conferences 5-8p.m.</p> <p>JFK PFC Meeting 6p.m.</p>	<p>JQA/MM Parent-Teacher Evening Conferences 5-8p.m.</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p>	
<p>23</p>	<p>RF First Day of Modified Spring Sports Practices</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>JFK/JQA/MM Parent-Teacher Conferences Pre-K-5 &amp; Half Days *</p>			<p>21</p>	<p>20</p>

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\*Should there be less than four emergency closings, school will be closed 4/21

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		<b>DPHS/RF World Lang. FLACS Speaking Task Tests Begin</b>		<b>JQA Spring Photos</b>  <b>SEPFC Mtg. @ JFK 7p.m.</b>  <b>SEPFC Membership Drive Ends</b>	<b>DPHS/RF Qtr. 3 Ends, Parent Portal Closed</b>	<b>DPHS Musical 1p.m.</b>
				<b>MM Spring Photos</b>	<b>DPHS Musical 7p.m.</b>	
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	<b>DPHS/RF Qtr. 4 Begins</b>  <b>DPAC Mtg. @ DPHS 7p.m.</b>	<b>BOE Work Session (Budget Adoption) 7:30p.m. @ District Office</b>	<b>DPHS Spring Breakfast for Champions @ DPHS Library 8a.m.</b>  <b>MM PFC Mtg. &amp; Nominations 6:30p.m.</b>	<b>DPHS Honor Societies Night</b>  <b>RF ENL Family Fun Night</b>  <b>MM Music Club Performance 7p.m.</b>	<b>DPHS/RF Qtr. 3 Report Cards, Parent Portal Open</b>  <b>MM Spirit Day &amp; "Moore" Store</b>	<b>Passover Begins at Sunset</b>
		<b>JFK Gr. 3-5 NYS ELA Assessments</b>				
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<p><b>Palm Sunday</b></p> <p>13</p>				<p><b>Holy Thursday</b></p> <p><b>Pool Closed</b></p>	<p><b>Good Friday</b></p> <p><b>Pool Closed</b></p>	<p>19</p>
<p><b>Spring Holiday Recess – Schools Closed</b>  <b>Check District Website for Pool Schedule</b></p>						
<p><b>Easter Sunday</b></p> <p>20</p>	<p><b>Easter Monday</b></p> <p><i>Potential School Closing*</i></p> <p><i>No transportation available for private schools</i></p> <p>21</p>	<p><b>K-12 NYSESLAT Testing (Speaking) Begins</b></p> <p><b>Earth Day</b></p> <p><b>BOE Regular Open Mtg. @ DPHS 8p.m.</b></p> <p><b>DPHS PFC Scholarship Essays Due</b></p> <p><b>MM Gr. 1 Musical Performance</b></p> <p>22</p>	<p>16</p> <p>23</p>	<p><b>DPHS World Language Honor Society Induction 6p.m.</b></p> <p>17</p> <p>24</p>	<p><b>RF/JFK Gr. 3-8 NYS ELA Assessments Makeups</b></p> <p>18</p> <p>25</p>	<p>19</p> <p>26</p>
<p><b>RF Gr. 6-8 NYS ELA Assessments</b></p>				<p><b>DPHS ICDC Conference (Anaheim, CA)</b></p>		
<p><b>DPHS ICDC Conference (Orlando, FL)</b></p>			<p><b>DPHS Tri-M Music Honor Society Recital 6p.m.</b></p> <p><b>JFK Gr. 3-5 NYS Math Assessments</b></p> <p><b>RF/JFK Gr. 3-8 NYS ELA Assessments Makeups</b></p> <p><b>DPHS College &amp; Career Week</b></p> <p>29</p>			
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**Budget Vote  
in DPHS Gymnasium  
May 20, 2025**

# M A Y

**CHECK DISTRICT MAILINGS  
THIS MONTH FOR BUDGET  
VOTER REGISTRATION DATES**





**APRIL 2025**

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**May is Asian-Pacific American Heritage Month  
May is Jewish American Heritage Month  
May is National Water Safety Month**

**JUNE 2025**

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				<p><b>DPHS College Decision Day</b>  <b>DPHS Open House for Incoming Freshmen</b> 6:30p.m.  <b>MM PFC Mtg. &amp; Elections</b> 6:30p.m.</p> <p><b>RF Gr. 6-8 NYS Math Assessments</b></p> <p><b>DPHS College &amp; Career Week</b></p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em;">1</p>	<p><b>NYSSMA Area 1 Solo and Ensemble Festival @ Copiague</b></p> <p><b>SAT @ DPHS 8a.m.</b></p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em;">2</p> <p><b>RF Gr. 8 NYS Science Assessment</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em;">3</p>
4	<p><b>Cinco de Mayo</b></p> <p><b>RF National Junior Honor Society Induction</b> 6:30p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em;">5</p>	<p><b>SEPFC Mtg. @ JFK</b> 7p.m.</p> <p><b>JFK Plant Sale</b></p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em;">6</p>	<p><b>JQA/Plant Sale</b></p> <p><b>JFK Spring Concerts</b> 7p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em;">7</p>	<p><b>MM Plant Sale</b></p> <p><b>DPHS AP Exams</b></p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em;">8</p>	<p style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em;">9</p>	<p><b>Districtwide Teacher Appreciation Week</b></p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em;">10</p>

Mother's Day	RF Gr. 8 NYS Science Assessment Makeups		JQA Gr. 2 Visit to JFK	JFK Incoming Gr. 3 Parent Orientation 6p.m. JFK PFC Mtg. & Elections 6:30p.m.	JQA Field Day Rain Date		
	K-12 NYSESLAT Testing Begins (Reading, Writing, Listening)	BOE Work Session (Budget Hearing) 7:30p.m. @ District Office		JQA Field Day MM Gr. 2 Visit to JFK	MM Spirit Day & "Moore" Store		
	JFK Gr. 5 NYS Science Assessment	MM McTeacher Night	RF Spring Concerts 7p.m.				
	RF Spring Concert Dress Rehearsals						
	DPHS AP Exams						
11	DPAC Mtg. @ DPHS 7p.m.	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	JFK Gr. 3 Field Day 9:15a.m.	Districtwide School Budget Vote & BOE Trustee Elections @ DPHS Gym 7a.m.-9p.m.; El Voto Para el Presupuesto del Distrito Escolar y Elección de los Administradores de la Junta Educativa @ DPHS 7a.m.-9 p.m.		JFK Gr. 5 Field Day 9:15a.m.	JFK Field Day Rain Date	K-12 NYSESLAT All Testing Ends	Pool Closed
		Districtwide STE@M Expo @ DPHS 6-8:30 p.m.			JQA ENL Family Fun Night	JQA Talent Show	
		JFK Gr. 4 Field Day 9:15a.m.	DPHS Spring Concerts 7p.m.			MM Field Day	
DPHS Spring Concert Dress Rehearsals							
19	Pool Closed	20	21	22	23	24	
Pool Closed	Memorial Day Schools Closed Pool Closed	BOE Regular Open Mtg. @ DPHS 8p.m.	MM Field Day Rain Date	JQA Kindergarten Orientation 9:45-10:45a.m.	DPHS Departmental Awards 10a.m.		
		MM Kindergarten Orientation 9:45-10:45a.m.		Districtwide Retirement Celebration 6p.m.	JQA Pre-K Orientation 9:45-10:45a.m.		
		MM Pre-K Orientation 2:30-3:15p.m.			JQA Talent Show Rain Date		
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## June is Caribbean-American Heritage Month

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><b>Shavuot Begins at Sunset</b></p> <p>1</p>	<p><b>RF</b> In-Class Final Exams Begin</p> <p><b>JQA</b> Gr. 2 Moving-Up Ceremony</p> <p>Districtwide Music Awards @ DPHS 6p.m.</p> <p>2</p>	<p><b>DPHS</b> Varsity Spring Sports Recognition Ceremony 6:30p.m.</p> <p><b>JQA</b> Gr. 2 Moving-Up Ceremony Rain Date</p> <p>3</p>	<p><b>DPHS</b> Senior Awards 6:30p.m.</p> <p><b>DPHS</b> Boys &amp; Girls Fall Sports Physicals</p> <p><b>MM</b> Gr. 2 Moving-Up Ceremony</p> <p>4</p>	<p><b>MM</b> Gr. 2 Moving-Up Ceremony Rain Date</p> <p>5</p>	<p><b>Eid al-Adha</b></p> <p><b>Superintendent's Conference Day</b></p> <p><b>Schools Closed for Students</b></p> <p><b>No Senior Citizen Swim</b></p> <p>6</p>	<p><b>SAT 8a.m. (Other Sites)</b></p> <p>7</p>
<p>8</p>	<p><b>RF</b> Boys Fall Sports Physicals</p> <p><b>DPAC</b> Mtg. @ DPHS 7p.m.</p> <p>9</p>	<p><b>JFK/JQA/MM</b> <b>K-5 ENL Parent-Teacher Conferences</b></p>		<p><b>JFK</b> Musical 7p.m.</p> <p><b>JQA</b> Pre-K Family Picnic Rain Date</p> <p>12</p>	<p><b>JFK/JQA/MM</b> Trimester 3 Ends</p> <p><b>JQA</b> Gr. 2 Graduation Celebration</p> <p><b>MM</b> Spirit Day: Wear Red, White &amp; Blue</p> <p><b>MM</b> Gr. 2 Grill &amp; Chill End of Year Celebration</p> <p>13</p>	<p><b>Flag Day</b></p> <p><b>ACT @ DPHS 8a.m.</b></p> <p>14</p>
		<p><b>DPHS</b> Geometry Regents Exam</p> <p><b>RF</b> Girls Fall Sports Physicals</p> <p>10</p>	<p><b>RF</b> Incoming Gr. 6 Parent Orientation 6p.m.</p> <p><b>JQA</b> Pre-K Family Picnic</p> <p>11</p>			



<p>Father's Day</p> <p>15</p>	<p><b>DPHS/RF World Language FLACS Speaking Task Tests End</b></p> <p>DPHS/RF Last Day of Classes</p> <p>RF Gr. 8 Picnic</p> <p>MM Gr. 2 Grill &amp; Chill End of Year Celebration Rain Date</p> <p>16</p>	<p>BOE Work Session/Regular Open Mtg. @ DO 8p.m.</p> <p><b>DPHS/RF Regents &amp; Final Exams</b></p> <p>17</p>	<p>DPHS Senior Prom 6p.m.</p> <p>18</p>	<p><b>Juneteenth</b></p> <p>Schools Closed</p> <p>Pool Closed</p> <p>19</p>	<p><b>DPHS/RF Regents &amp; Final Exams</b></p> <p>DPHS Senior Walk @ JFK/JQA/MM</p> <p>DPHS Graduation Rehearsal</p> <p>JFK Gr. 5 Picnic JQA Gr. 2 Graduation Celebration Rain Date</p> <p>20</p>	<p>21</p>
<p>22</p>	<p>JFK Gr. 5 Moving-Up Ceremony</p> <p>23</p>	<p>RF Gr. 8 Moving-Up Rehearsal &amp; Breakfast RF Gr. 8 Moving-Up Ceremony 6p.m. RF Gr. 8 Dance 7:30-9:30p.m.</p> <p>JFK Gr. 5 Picnic (Rain Date)</p> <p>24</p>	<p>JFK Gr. 5 Breakfast</p> <p>25</p>	<p>DPHS Graduation 6p.m.</p> <p>Pool Closed</p> <p>26</p>	<p><b>Last Day of School</b></p> <p>DPHS/RF Qtr. 4, Semester 2 Ends</p> <p>DPHS Graduation Rain Date 6p.m.</p> <p>Pool Closed</p> <p>27</p>	<p>28</p>
<p>29</p>	<p>RF Qtr. 4 Final Report Cards, Parent Portal Open</p> <p>30</p>					<p><b>*NOTE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• JFK half-day dismissal starts at 10:30a.m.</li> <li>• JQA and MM half-day dismissals start at 11:30a.m.</li> </ul>

# JULY 2025

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		1 <b>BOE Tentative Reorganization Mtg. @ District Office Time TBD</b>	2 <b>DPHS Qtr. 4 Final Report Cards, Parent Portal Open</b>	3	4 <b>Independence Day Pool Closed</b>	5
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20	21	22 <b>BOE Regular Open Mtg. @ DO 8p.m.</b>	23	24	25	26
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**JUNE 2025**

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**Have a Safe Summer!**

# AUGUST 2025

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17	18	19	20 <b>JQA/MM</b> Kindergarten Meet & Greet	21 <b>RF</b> Gr. 6 Orientation 9-11a.m. <b>JQA/MM</b> Kindergarten Meet & Greet Rain Date	22	23
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## Deer Park School District Curriculum and Instruction

### ABOUT NEW YORK STATE STANDARDS

The New York State Next Generation English Language Arts and Mathematics Learning Standards were developed through numerous phases of public comment as well as virtual and face-to-face meetings with committees consisting of New York State educators, teachers of English language learners/multilingual learners and students with disabilities, parents, curriculum specialists, school administrators, college professors, and experts in cognitive research. The standards reflect the collaborative efforts and expertise among all constituents involved.

### THE NEW YORK STATE STANDARDS:

- Provide educators, parents and students with a common understanding of what students are expected to learn and be able to do within their K-12 education.
- Prepare students with the knowledge and skills they need to succeed in college and careers in an increasingly integrated and competitive global economy.
- Reflect the need for a highly skilled workforce that has mastered academic content and is able to think critically, solve complex problems and communicate effectively.
- Allow districts to develop or select their own curricula, programs and lessons.

### NEW YORK STATE NEXT GENERATION LEARNING STANDARDS HIGHLIGHTS

#### ELA

#### MATH

- Develop practices to foster lifelong readers and writers.
- Encourage a healthy balance of informational reading and literary text to ensure students read both full-length text and shorter pieces.
- Promote reading and writing for enjoyment and self-expression.

- Improve the focus of major content and skill to ensure grade level appropriateness.
- Develop knowledge and understanding to function in a world dependent upon the application of mathematics.
- Provide a balance of conceptual understanding, procedural fluency and application.

## Deer Park 2024-2025

### School District Directory & Calendar

The Deer Park School District is committed to continuing to develop New York State curricula with the “whole child” at the core of the educational experience, recognizing that a well-rounded education, positive learning environment, strong home-school connection and high expectations all contribute to student success.

### HOW PARENTS CAN SUPPORT LEARNING

As a parent, you can help by talking with your child, asking open-ended questions about what he or she learned in school each day, reading his or her homework, attending school events to learn about what teachers expect and emphasizing the importance of school.

### SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL LEARNING

In keeping with the Deer Park School District’s mission statement which states that we wish to help make our students productive members of society, we will be incorporating additional social-emotional learning into our K-12 curriculum. We believe that it is important to focus on educating the whole child, specifically, focusing on helping to develop character traits that ensure that our students will be successful both in and out of school.

Students will be engaged in lessons, activities, and presentations that focus on developing and fostering the following character traits:

1. Respect
2. Responsibility
3. Citizenship
4. Kindness/Caring
5. Acceptance/Equity
6. Integrity/Sportsmanship
7. Perseverance
8. Courage
9. Self-Control/Self-Discipline
10. Honesty/Trustworthiness



### PARENT RESOURCES:

- The New York State Education Department has posted materials at [www.engageny.org](http://www.engageny.org).
- The National Parent Teacher Association offers grade-by-grade guides for the Standards, available in English and Spanish for grades K-8 and 9-12 at [www.pta.org](http://www.pta.org).



## VISITORS TO THE SCHOOLS

The Board recognizes that the success of the school program depends, in part, on support by the larger community. The Board wishes to foster a positive climate where members of the community have the opportunity to observe the hard work and accomplishments of the students, teachers and other staff. Since schools are a place of work and learning, certain limits must be set for such visits. The principal or his or her designee is responsible for all persons in the building and on the grounds. For these reasons, the following rules apply to visitors to the schools:

1. Anyone who is not a regular staff member or student of the school will be considered a visitor.
2. All visitors should call in advance, whenever possible, and make an appointment with the school employee they wish to visit.
3. All visitors to the school must enter through the designated single point of entry and show identification before entering. Upon verification of purpose of visit, admission will be granted. A visitor's identification badge will be issued, which must be worn at all times while in the school or on school grounds. The visitor must return the identification badge to the security desk before leaving the building.
4. Visitors attending school functions after regular school hours that are open to the public, such as parent-teacher organization meetings or public gatherings, are not required to register, but must have proper ID readily available.
5. Visitors should not expect to take class time to discuss individual matters.
6. Any unauthorized person on school property will be reported to the principal. Unauthorized persons will be asked to leave. The police may be called if the situation warrants.
7. All visitors are expected to abide by the rules for public conduct on school property contained in the code of conduct, found on the district's website.
8. School facilities and grounds are primarily for the use of students. They are not available for public use during the hours that school programs are in progress.

## PARKING/FIRE LANE PUBLIC NOTICE

Access onto school premises for fire and emergency service equipment must be provided at all times by clear, unobstructed access roads and/or designated fire lanes in accordance with the New York State Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code 1161.2. Pathways from exit doors and rescue windows must remain clear and unobstructed for easy evacuation. Parking areas have been designated for your convenience. Please abide by all parking rules and regulations (handicapped stalls, fire zones, etc.). Please be advised that the Town of Babylon will issue tickets for illegally parked vehicles.

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## USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES

School buildings and grounds may be used by nonprofit, nonsectarian organizations for meetings and sports activities during times they are not in use by the schools.

Application forms for building use may be obtained at the schools and from the business office at the district administration building.

A fee is charged to cover the cost of custodial services. For more information about regulations governing the use of school facilities, contact the business office at 631-274-4020.

## BUS SCHEDULES/SCHOOL HOURS

### Deer Park High School

<b>Pick Up</b>	<b>School Begins</b>	<b>School Ends</b>	<b>Bus Departs</b>
6:50 a.m.	7:22 a.m.	2:10 p.m.	2:15 p.m.
<b>Late Bus:</b>			2:55 p.m.

### Robert Frost Middle School

<b>Pick Up</b>	<b>School Begins</b>	<b>School Ends</b>	<b>Bus Departs</b>
7:30 a.m.	8 a.m.	2:35 p.m.	2:40 p.m.
<b>Late Bus:</b>			3:25 p.m.

### John F. Kennedy Intermediate School

<b>Pick Up</b>	<b>School Begins</b>	<b>School Ends</b>	<b>Bus Departs</b>
8:25 a.m.	8:55 a.m.	3:05 p.m.	3:10 p.m.

### John Quincy Adams Primary School & May Moore Primary School

<b>Pick Up</b>	<b>School Begins</b>	<b>School Ends</b>	<b>Bus Departs</b>
9 a.m.	9:30 a.m.	3:40 p.m.	3:45 p.m.

### Prekindergarten

#### AM Session

<b>Pick Up</b>	<b>School Begins</b>	<b>School Ends</b>	<b>Bus Departs</b>
8:30 a.m.	9:15 a.m.	11:45 a.m.	11:50 a.m.

#### PM Session

<b>Pick Up</b>	<b>School Begins</b>	<b>School Ends</b>	<b>Bus Departs</b>
12:20 p.m.	1 p.m.	3:30 p.m.	3:40 p.m.

### Our Lady of Guadalupe

<b>Pick Up</b>	<b>School Begins</b>	<b>School Ends</b>	<b>Bus Departs</b>
7:50 a.m.	8:25 a.m.	2:45 p.m.	2:50 p.m.

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### EARLY DISMISSAL SCHEDULE

In the event schools need to be dismissed early, the following bus pickup times will be utilized:

No p.m. Pre-K, No p.m. Tech	
HS	12:10 p.m.
RF	12:35 p.m.
JFK	1:05 p.m.
JQA/MM	1:40 p.m.

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### EMERGENCY CLOSINGS

Periodically, weather conditions are so severe that in the interest of safety the district decides not to open schools. When that happens, a telephone message will be sent to all student households. Additionally, announcements will be carried on the following radio and television stations:

**RADIO**  
**B103 - 103.1 FM**  
**Island FM - 94.3 FM**  
**WALK - 97.5 FM**  
**WBAB - 102.3 FM**  
**WBLI - 106.1 FM**  
**WHLI - 1100 AM**  
**WKJY - 98.3 FM**  
**WCBS- 880 AM**

**TELEVISION**  
**News 12 Long Island**  
**WABC Channel 7**  
**WCBS Channel 2**  
**WNBC Channel 4**  
**WNYW Channel 5**

### DELAYED OPENING OF SCHOOLS

On other occasions, it may be possible to salvage much of the school day by starting classes at a later hour. News of such delayed openings will also be carried on the stations listed above. The **two-hour delayed opening schedule bus pickup** times will be as follows:

**High School..... 8:50 a.m.**  
**Robert Frost ..... 9:30 a.m.**  
**John F. Kennedy ..... 10:25 a.m.**  
**May Moore ..... 11 a.m.**  
**John Quincy Adams ..... 11 a.m.**  
**Our Lady of Guadalupe ..... 9:50 a.m.**  
**Prekindergarten:**  
**AM Pre-K..... Canceled**  
**PM Pre-K..... Regular Time**

### COMMUNICATION SYSTEM

The district utilizes ParentSquare as the method for regular and emergency communication. The system enables the district to automatically send prerecorded phone messages, texts and/or emails to all district parents in a matter of minutes. It is commonly used to get important messages to parents in a timely manner, such as a school closure or emergency.

The district is collecting your phone number for communications purposes. By providing the number, you agree that the school may contact you by phone or text, regarding school emergencies, school events and any other school-related communications as well as other information deemed relevant by the school district.

### TRANSPORTATION

Transportation is provided in our district for students in grades K-12, based on where they live in relation to the location of the school they are attending. **The following students are eligible for transportation to and from school:** students enrolled in grades K-2 residing a distance of 1/4 mile or greater from their school; students in grades 3-5 residing a distance of 1/2 mile or greater from their school; students in grades 6-8 residing a distance of 1 mile or greater from their school; and students enrolled in grades 9-12 who reside a distance of 1.5 miles or greater from Deer Park High School. Transportation eligibility according to distance limits is determined by careful measurement to provide absolute accuracy. We adhere scrupulously to the State Education Law and mileage limits adopted by the Board of Education and cannot make exceptions. All requests for nonpublic school transportation for the 2025-2026 school year must be filed no later than April 1, 2025.

Bus passes are issued to all students eligible for transportation and will be checked regularly. Students will not be admitted on a bus without a pass. The bus drivers are not responsible for the supervision of children before the child enters or after the child exits the bus. Therefore, for younger children in particular, it is imperative that an adult be present to receive them. For questions concerning bus transportation, please call 631-274-4060.

### BUS TRANSPORTATION STUDENT RULES

1. The driver is in charge of the bus. Follow the driver's instructions.
2. Be on time at your bus stop. The bus will not wait for you.
3. Stand back from the street and wait for the bus to stop. Form a line before approaching the bus at your stop.
4. Speak in a normal tone and do not use offensive language.
5. Do not push, shove or fight on the bus or while you are waiting at your stop.
6. Board the bus in an orderly fashion and go directly to your seat.
7. Do not litter, write on or damage the bus in any way.
8. Remain seated while the bus is moving.
9. Keep all parts of your body and all objects inside the bus.
10. If you cross the street when you get off the bus, wait for the driver to signal that it is safe to cross. Always cross in front of the bus, never behind it.
11. No eating, drinking or smoking is permitted on the bus.
12. No unauthorized passengers are permitted to ride. Your bus pass is your ticket.

**Failure to comply with these rules could lead to a suspension or loss of bus rider privileges.**





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### SEX OFFENDER NOTIFICATIONS

Parents for Megan's Law will email district residents who have registered, informing them of any new sex offender's presence and directing them to the PFML website where they can access a full copy of the notification.

If you have not already registered to receive current or future sex offender notifications, please contact the Parents for Megan's Law Helpline at 631-689-2672 or go to their website at [www.parentsformeganslaw.org](http://www.parentsformeganslaw.org) and click on the "Sex Offender Email Alert Registration Program" link on the homepage.

### OFFICIAL ASBESTOS NOTIFICATION

As required by law every three years, the Triennial Asbestos Inspection of the Deer Park School District is scheduled for September 2026. Each inspection is performed in accordance with 40 CRF 763.85 and based on the EPA's (Environmental Protection Agency) publication, "A Guide to Performing Reinspections Under the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act." These reports are available upon request from the plant facilities office. For more information, call Jeffrey LaFlair, plant facilities administrator, at 631-274-4080.

### INTERNET POLICY

The Deer Park Union Free School District believes that the use of the internet is an integral part of the educational process. Therefore, it should be viewed as a teaching and learning resource, as are approved textbooks and other curriculum-based tools.

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utilizes internet-filtering software to assist in the prevention of inappropriate sites and materials reaching the student. We believe that the best vigilance is provided by the professional and lay staff in our employ.

Should a parent/guardian wish for their child not to have access to this valuable resource, they may do so by not signing the Acceptable Use Policy form which is available in all our schools or on the district's website under the IT section. If they wish to rescind a previous Acceptable Use Policy form, they may submit a letter to the building principal.

### PESTICIDE NOTIFICATION

The Deer Park Union Free School District has developed an integrated pest management program for managing, preventing and suppressing pests with minimal impact on human health, the environment and nontarget organisms. Pesticides are only used as a last resort. If pesticides are needed, the least-toxic pest-specific alternative is selected.

This notice is intended to advise you as required by Section 409-h of the Education Law that:

- Pesticide products may be used periodically

throughout the school year.

- This district is required to maintain a list of parents, guardians and staff who wish to receive 48-hour written notice of an actual pesticide application.
- If an emergency exists that necessitates an emergency application, a good faith effort will be made to provide advance notification.
- Certain pesticide applications are exempt from the notification process.
- To place your name on the above- mentioned list, please mail your name, address, and phone number to:

Jeffrey LaFlair  
Deer Park Schools  
Office of Buildings and Grounds  
41 Homer Ave.  
Deer Park, NY 11729

If you have questions or comments regarding these requirements, please contact:  
Stephen Hampson, safety officer,  
at 631-274-4084.  
Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

### FRAUD ALERT

**If you are aware of any violations of the  
Workers' Compensation law in the district,  
please notify the  
Business Office at 631-274-4020.  
All calls will remain anonymous.**



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### STUDENT BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

The district is committed to safeguarding personal and confidential information about its students. Some student information is considered “directory information” and may be released by the district without prior consent of the parents, including names, names of parents, grade, major field of study, participation in recognized school activities, extracurricular activities, sports programs, academic honors, achievements, awards, scholarships and similar information, including photographs. Schools will make every effort to inform parents when requests for information are made. **Parents who do not desire release/publication of this information must make a specific request, in writing, to the superintendent by Sept. 15, 2024. Failure to make such a request will be deemed implied consent. This includes release of high school students’ information to military recruiters.**

### ACCESS TO STUDENT RECORDS

Parents and eligible students (at least 18 years of age or attending a postsecondary educational institution) are entitled to inspect and review any and all educational records related to themselves or their children, including the right to challenge the content of the information, and to correct any misleading or inaccurate information.

### TITLE I: RIGHT TO KNOW

Under the provisions of the Every Student Succeeds Act, parents of children receiving Title I funds (May Moore, John Quincy Adams and John F. Kennedy) have a right to request information regarding the professional qualifications of their student’s classroom teachers. Please address a letter of request to the child’s principal. See the district website for more information.

### CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT

New York State Law Chapter 1039 added a new Title VI, Section 411, Child Protective Services Act to the Social Services Law. Its purpose is to encourage a more complete reporting of suspected child abuse/maltreatment and to establish in each county a Child Protective Service capable of investigating such reports swiftly and completely and of providing protection for the child from further such situations.

The law mandates that school personnel report suspected cases to the New York State Central Register of Child Abuse and Maltreatment.

### DASA, SECTION 504 AND TITLE IX

The Board of Education, its officers and employees shall not discriminate in its programs and activities on the basis of race, color, weight, national origin, ethnic group, religion, religious practice, disability, sex, sexual orientation or gender (including gender identity/expression). The district will provide notice of this policy in accordance with federal and state law and regulation.

The district provisions prohibit discrimination and harassment against any student by employees, employees by student, employees by employees, or anyone on school property or at a school function, that creates a hostile environment by conduct, with or without physical contact and/or by verbal threats, intimidation or abuse, of such a severe nature that has or would have the effect of unreasonably and substantially interfering with a student’s or employee’s performance, opportunities or benefits, or mental, emotional and/or physical well-being.

Assistant Superintendent for Pupil Personnel Services Alicia Konecny has been designated to handle inquiries regarding the district’s nondiscrimination policies. Her contact information is available on the district website. Complaints of sexual harassment or discrimination are covered by Policies 0110 and 0115. Complaint forms can be found on the district website under the District tab.

All complainants and those who participate in the investigation of a complaint in conformity with state law and district policies, who have acted reasonably and in good faith, have the right to be free from retaliation of any kind.

### PERSONAL PROPERTY

Students should not wear jewelry or other expensive personal items to school, nor should these items be stored in lockers. Storage of these items in lockers is the personal responsibility of the student. The school district is not responsible for loss or theft.

### SUSPENSIONS/PENALTIES

Parents and students should be aware of policies regarding cutting and/or suspensions. The student handbook contains complete details of all rules and regulations. Review this document carefully with your child and check the district website for further information found in the Code of Conduct.

### CELLPHONE USE IN SCHOOL

Students are prohibited from using cellphones/headphones during instructional time unless authorized by their classroom teacher. Please discourage use during this time. Parents can contact their child by calling the main office.

### REPORT CARDS

Report cards on pupils in all grades are issued three times a year at the elementary level or four times a year at the secondary level, except for kindergarten pupils, who receive one evaluation in the fall and one in the spring, and can be accessed via the parent portal.

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### PREKINDERGARTEN PROGRAM

The district's prekindergarten program is a child-centered, literacy-based program that takes a hands-on, play-oriented approach to learning experiences. Children are exposed to reading, writing, math, science, social studies, music and art through small-group activities such as dramatic and symbolic play, block play, water play, cooking, tasting, eating, cooperative playground activities, field trips and much more.

Parental involvement is always appreciated and highly encouraged. Each class meets for two and a half hours, five days a week, including a snack in both the morning and afternoon sessions.

The program, which is limited to children who will be 4 years old on or before Dec. 1, who are not age-eligible for kindergarten and who are Deer Park residents, is tuition-free to participating families.



### KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

#### Requirements for entrance:

- A child must be 5 years of age on or before Dec. 1 of the entering year.
- Proof of age, original birth certificate and proof of residency must be submitted at the time of registration.
- Proof of immunizations: New York State Compulsory Immunization Law requires that any child enrolling in school for the first time have a physician's certificate stating that the child has been immunized. **A complete listing of the required immunizations and New York State regulations can be viewed on the district website.**

**NOTE:** Secular and/or scientific principles, including philosophical exemptions, are not allowed.

**Kindergarten registration will begin in January.**



In order to protect the health of all Deer Park students, it is recommended that any student traveling to countries where communicable diseases may be contracted obtain all necessary immunizations before undertaking such travel.

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### CENTRAL REGISTRATION

All incoming students who will attend school in the Deer Park School District must register with the Office of Central Registration. Registration for new enrollments and prekindergarten students into the district will be completed and submitted online. Any required documents must be received through the application portal. Appointments upon request.

**If you have an existing Parent Portal account (currently have a child/children attending a Deer Park school grade K-12),** log into your portal account and click on Online Registration in the menu.

**If you are new to the district or do not have an existing account,** go to the district's website ([deerparkschools.org](http://deerparkschools.org)) go to the Department tab and click on Central Registration.

In order to complete your registration, the following requirements must be met/uploaded/submitted:

- The student must be registered by the parent or legal guardian (proof of legal guardianship is required when applicable, custodial affidavit).

- Photo identification (ID) is required of the student's parent/legal guardian.
- Original birth certificate.
- District's physical examination form and immunization form signed and stamped by a physician.
- Current report card and secondary transcript if available. (Individualized Education Plan when applicable).
- Withdrawal/discharge documentation from previous school.
- Proof of residence: ALL OF THE FOLLOWING MUST BE PROVIDED.

### HOMEOWNER

1. Current property tax statement or mortgage statement or recent DEED.
2. Current utility bills.

### RENTER

1. Landlord affidavit must be completed by homeowner and notarized.
2. Current property tax statement of homeowner.
3. Two current utilities in parent/guardian's name or two OFFICIAL mailings.

### Documents and Forms

A list of required documents and forms can be viewed on the district website.



Registration is not complete until the application and all documentation has been received and approved by the Office of Central Registration. Falsification of residency documentation will result in exclusion from the Deer Park School District and financial liability for appropriated tuition costs.

**If you are aware of a student or students attending our schools who are not district residents, please leave a message at 631-274-4133. All calls will remain anonymous.**



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### PUPIL PERSONNEL SERVICES

In order to support services for students whose educational needs require special attention, the office of pupil personnel services provides professional assistance through the following programs: health services, psychological and social worker services, guidance and counseling, speech and language therapy, special education classes, attendance, home instruction, special education testing and evaluation, special transportation, the Committee on Special Education, and the Committee on Preschool Special Education.

#### HEALTH SERVICES

Our district health services provide for the emergency care of pupils who become ill or injured while under school jurisdiction. School nurses also obtain and transmit medical information for special school programs and for monitoring of pupils with specific health problems. Additionally, they work with school staff and community agencies in maintaining healthful school environments.

In case of an emergency or when a child becomes ill during school hours, the school nurse will contact parents. It is important that parents complete the Household Verification Form, which provides the school with the name, address and telephone number of a person who can take care of the child if the parent cannot be located. Please also update your email address.

In addition, the name of the child's physician should be on file with his or her school health

office in case of an emergency. State law prohibits the school nurse or other school personnel from administering medication to a child without a doctor's note. A parental request is NOT sufficient.

#### HEALTH EDUCATION

Health education has been mandated by the state for grade levels K-12.

The Deer Park School District has developed an AIDS curriculum, taught primarily in health classes. The curriculum deals with three areas:

- 1) What the disease is
- 2) How it is transmitted, and
- 3) Means of prevention.

By law, parents may have their child excluded from the prevention portion of the curriculum only. A written letter requesting the exclusion of the child must be sent to the building principal of the school the child attends.

#### MENTAL HEALTH EDUCATION

Mental health education will be implemented in all grades K-12.

Students will be taught, in an age-appropriate manner, how to recognize signs and symptoms of mental illness, as well as where to get help and how to access resources in our school and community.

#### IMMUNIZATIONS

In order to protect the health of all Deer Park

students, it is recommended that any students traveling to countries where communicable diseases may be contracted, obtain all necessary immunizations before undertaking such travel.

**For a complete listing of required immunizations, visit the district website.**

#### PHYSICAL/DENTAL EXAMINATIONS

New York State Education Law mandates an annual physical and dental examination by a licensed physician for all new entrants and children in the following grades: pre-K or K, 1, 3, 5, 7, 9 and 11; annually for interscholastic sports; and working papers as needed; or as required by the Committee on Special Education or Committee on Preschool Special Education.

Students' private physicians are to provide a copy of the annual physical examination to the school nurse by Sept. 30 for currently enrolled students, and within 30 days for a new entrant. Incoming pre-K or kindergarten students entering school in September must have a physical no more than 12 months prior to their school entrance.

**If proof of the mandated annual physical is not returned to the school nurse by the Sept. 30 deadline, the child will need to have a medical screening by the school physician.**

#### ATHLETIC EXAMINATIONS

All students participating in competitive athletics, cheerleading or kickline must have an annual, comprehensive physical examination by their



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family physician or by the school physician before participating in school sports. A health history update must also be completed before each sport and kept on file in the school health office.

#### PSYCHOLOGICAL/SOCIAL WORK SERVICES

Referrals for psychological and social work services are made by staff and parents. Psychologists offer consultation for referrals and are available for CSE diagnostic evaluations and to provide assistance for children whose learning difficulties or personal maladjustments seriously impact their school performance. When necessary, the services of the school social workers are included. Consultation services are then offered to parents and staff members in planning for individual pupils.

#### SCHOOL GUIDANCE COUNSELORS

Our school guidance counselors help to identify specific needs of students; encourage better interpersonal relationships; promote positive attitudes and choices; aid teachers and parents in helping students; assist families in making use of community resources; review test results to provide information about abilities, needs, achievements and interests; assist students with the maturation process; coordinate efforts with other school agencies; facilitate discussions with student groups; assist with in-service

staff development for faculty; participate in curriculum development; lend support to school, career and personal plans; maintain confidences; and provide “preventative” counseling. School counselors are available to all secondary students through self referral, teacher referral, parent referral, administrative referral, referral by a friend and psychological referral. Working papers are also available in the high school guidance office.

#### SPEECH/LANGUAGE/HEARING

The district’s speech, language and hearing specialists are available to help pupils improve their speech and language and to help diagnose expressive and receptive language problems that impede learning.

#### COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL EDUCATION AND PRESCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATION

Students who are suspected of having an educationally disabling condition, as defined in the regulations of the commissioner of education, are evaluated by the Committee on Special Education. Children who are receiving special education services are reviewed by this committee on an annual basis.

Referrals to the Committee on Preschool Special Education should be forwarded to the office of special education and pupil personnel services. Contact Alicia Konecny, Assistant

Superintendent for Pupil Personnel Services, at 631-274-4040.

#### SPECIAL EDUCATION CLASSES

Classes are conducted at all grade levels for students who have special education needs. The intensity of service depends upon the prescribed recommendation of the student’s Individualized Education Program. The students in our various programs are instructed and/or supported by certified special education personnel.

#### HOME INSTRUCTION

Children who will be absent from school for a prolonged period of time due to illness or injury may be eligible to receive home on-site or virtual online instruction. Parents who wish to apply for such home instruction should secure the necessary application from the school nurse. A doctor’s statement indicating the diagnosis, the estimated length of illness and assurance that the student is not contagious is required as part of the application.

The presence of an adult in the home is required during each on-site home tutoring session. A brief illness of a student can be covered by homework assignments obtained from teachers. At the secondary level, home tutoring either at home or virtually is necessary in order to meet the requirements of the district attendance policy.

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### SCHOOL COUNSELING HIGHLIGHTS

#### COLLEGE INFORMATION 2024-2025

##### 1. Important Test Dates for Juniors/Seniors

PSAT EXAM: The PSAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test will be administered to all juniors at Deer Park High School for free.

The specific date will be announced this October.

ACT PLAN: On the same day, all sophomores will take the ACT Plan.

##### OPTIONAL PSAT FOR SOPHOMORES:

Sophomores who prefer to take the PSAT for practice can do so for a fee of \$15. Please see your counselor for details.

Test Center Codes: SAT **33-350**

ACT **202210**

School Code: **331-583** for both tests

#### 2024-2025 SAT TEST DATES

<u>Test Date</u>	<u>Registration Deadline</u>
Oct. 5, 2024	Sept. 20, 2024
Nov. 2, 2024	Oct. 18, 2024
Dec. 7, 2024	Nov. 22, 2024
March 8, 2025	Feb. 21, 2025
May 3, 2025	April 18, 2025
June 7, 2025	May 22, 2025

**(Nov. 2 and May 3 tests given at Deer Park HS)**

#### AMERICAN COLLEGE TESTING

##### PROGRAM (ACT) DATES

<u>Test Date</u>	<u>Registration Deadline</u>
Sept. 14, 2024	Aug. 9, 2024
Oct. 26, 2024	Sept. 20, 2024
Dec. 14, 2024	Nov. 8, 2024
Feb. 8, 2025	Jan. 3, 2025
April 5, 2025	Feb. 28, 2025
June 14, 2025	May 9, 2025

**(June 14 test given at Deer Park HS)**

##### 2. College Fair

Deer Park's annual college fair is scheduled for the fall, and all district parents and students are invited to attend. Representatives from numerous public and private colleges, the military, local unions and local businesses will be present. In the spring, DPHS hosts College & Career Week during lunch periods. Students can meet with representatives from public and private colleges, participate in career and college readiness workshops, and ask questions to local business owners, military staff and union representatives.

##### 3. College Applications

Applying to college using Naviance and the

Common Application can simplify the process and help you stay organized. To start with Naviance, log in through your school's portal using your student credentials and make sure your profile is up to date with your academic information and extracurricular activities. Explore colleges and universities using Naviance's tools to review admission requirements and track application deadlines. Request letters of recommendation from your teachers/counselor via the "Letters of Recommendation" section and ensure you give them ample time. You can also request your high school transcripts to be sent to colleges through Naviance. For State University, City University and Nassau/Suffolk community colleges, applications are typically available by early fall and must be submitted through Naviance. When using the Common App, first create an account at [commonapp.org](http://commonapp.org) and fill out your personal information. Add the colleges you plan to apply to, keeping in mind each may have specific requirements. Complete the Common App form by providing details about your personal history, academic background, extracurricular activities and essays. Upload any required documents, such as your high school transcript and test scores, and submit your

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### SCHOOL COUNSELING HIGHLIGHTS (CONTINUED)

application through the Common App portal. Finally, track the status of your application and ensure that all materials are received by the colleges using both Naviance and the Common App. This coordinated approach will help you manage your applications efficiently and keep on top of important deadlines.

#### 4. Financial Aid

Financial aid can significantly ease the burden of college expenses for families. The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is a crucial step in this process. By completing the FAFSA, parents and students provide a comprehensive overview of their financial situation, which colleges and universities use to determine eligibility for various types of financial aid. This can include federal grants, work-study opportunities, low-interest loans, and some state- and school-based aid. Completing the FAFSA as early as possible is important because many schools allocate funds on a first-come, first-served basis. To apply for FAFSA, parents should gather necessary financial documents, such as tax returns and bank statements, and visit the official FAFSA website at [fafsa.gov](https://fafsa.gov). The application is typically available starting Oct. 1 for the following academic year. Early submission can increase the chances of receiving aid, so it's beneficial to complete the form promptly and accurately.

#### 5. National Collegiate Athletic Association

NCAA eligibility clearinghouse forms can be obtained in the school counseling office or online at [ncaa.org](https://ncaa.org). Students who plan to play Division I or II intercollegiate athletics must be certified eligible by the NCAA. A processing fee must accompany the form when mailed.



#### 6. Class Rank and Transcripts

An official copy of a senior's academic record (transcript) will be mailed as part of the application packet to colleges. It will include a student's rank, or his or her academic standing compared with other students in the same graduating class. All seniors (students with more than 15 credits) who have attended Deer Park High School for two full years prior to the start of 12th grade are ranked (please see the course catalog on the high school website for course weighting). A student copy of the transcript is mailed to the homes of all seniors in late August. Please check it carefully. Any discrepancies must be discussed with your child's counselor before the deadline mentioned in the accompanying letter.

Rank and average will be available on or about mid-September. Seniors can see their counselors to find out their rank after that date.

#### 7. College & Career Center

The Deer Park High School College & Career Center is a dedicated resource to support students in their postsecondary planning. Open Monday-Friday during school hours, the center offers a wide range of services and information. Students can receive guidance on college applications, explore career options, and get assistance with financial aid and scholarship applications. The center provides access to college and career readiness workshops, SAT/ACT preparation materials, and information on internships and job opportunities. Additionally, students can meet with college representatives and career advisers to help them make informed decisions about their future. Anyone wishing to use the center should make an appointment in the guidance office.

#### 8. Important Phone Numbers/Websites

High School Counseling Office:

631-274-4120

SAT Tests: 866-756-7346 or

[www.collegeboard.com](https://www.collegeboard.com)

ACT Tests: 319-337-1000 or [www.act.org](https://www.act.org)

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### SCOPE 2024-2025 BEFORE- AND AFTER-SCHOOL CHILD CARE PROGRAM

The Deer Park School District and SCOPE (Suffolk County Organization for the Promotion of Education) will provide financially self-supporting before- and after-school child care programs for the district's kindergarten through fifth grade students and an after-school-only program for sixth grade students during the 2024-2025 school year.

The program, which is licensed by the New York State Department of Social Services, offers a safe, fun, caring environment for children of working parents. Students are provided with a healthy snack and given an opportunity to complete their homework assignments. Children participate in a variety of age-appropriate recreational and quiet activities including arts and crafts, club days and enrichment opportunities.

The program will operate on all full school days. The Before-School Program will operate from 7 a.m. until the start of school. The After-School Program will begin at the time of dismissal and run until 6:30 p.m. The district will run the program at John F. Kennedy Intermediate School.

The Before-School Program fees include a monthly rate of \$85 for a child to attend the program a minimum of five days per month, with a fee of \$17 for each additional day. The After-School Program fees include a minimum monthly rate of \$108 for a child to attend the program a minimum of five days per month, with a fee of \$21.60 for each additional day. The alternative would be the full-time monthly rate of \$292 for the Before-School Program and \$370 for the After-School Program, which covers the child for the 182 school calendar days beginning in September. The monthly fee for a child to attend both programs every day is \$642.14. There is an annual nonrefundable registration fee of \$40 (\$60 per family) payable upon enrollment. There is a 20% sibling discount for the second child; 40% for third child. Subsidies are available to income eligible families. Fees are subject to change. SCOPE will follow all OCFS regulations and COVID-19 guidelines.

Registration is online only through the SCOPE website at [scopeonline.ce.eleyo.com](http://scopeonline.ce.eleyo.com). A new contract must be submitted each school year and placement is confirmed in the order in which contracts are received. New SCOPE parents must create an online account before registering a contract. For additional information, please call 631-360-0800, x237.

### DEER PARK AQUATIC CENTER

The Deer Park High School Aquatic Center houses a six-lane, 25-meter racing pool and a separate diving tank. The facility is located inside the high school building near the track and athletic fields and hosts district water safety programs, varsity and junior high swim teams, and a variety of community programs and public swimming hours. Memberships are available and visitor policies apply. For additional pool information, check our web pages under Athletics at [www.deerparkschools.org](http://www.deerparkschools.org) or contact the aquatic director. All programs and schedules are subject to change based on the needs of the Deer Park School District, inclement weather, and health and safety mandated maintenance.



**Pool Deck Phone:**  
631-274-4187  
(for recorded information only)

**Jeanne-Marie Kavanagh,**  
**Aquatic Director**  
631-274-4186  
Email: [kavanagh.jm@deerparkschools.org](mailto:kavanagh.jm@deerparkschools.org)



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### CALENDAR OF SIGNIFICANT DATES

Sept. 2	Labor Day	Jan. 29	Lunar New Year
Sept. 3	First Day of School	Feb. 14	Valentine's Day
Sept. 11	Patriot Day	Feb. 17	Presidents Day
Oct. 3-4	Rosh Hashanah	March 9	Daylight Saving Time Begins
Oct. 11	Yom Kippur	March 17	St. Patrick's Day
Oct. 14	Columbus Day	March 31	Eid al-Fitr
Oct. 26	Homecoming	April 12	Passover Begins at Sunset
Oct. 31	Halloween	April 13	Palm Sunday
Nov. 1	Diwali	April 18	Good Friday
Nov. 3	Daylight Saving Time Ends	April 20	Easter Sunday
Nov. 5	Election Day	April 22	Earth Day
Nov. 11	Veterans Day	May 5	Cinco de Mayo
Nov. 28	Thanksgiving	May 11	Mother's Day
Dec. 25	Christmas Day	May 26	Memorial Day
Dec. 25	Hanukkah Begins at Sunset	June 1	Shavuot Begins at Sunset
Dec. 26	First Day of Kwanzaa	June 6	Eid al-Adha
Dec. 31	New Year's Eve	June 14	Flag Day
Jan. 1	New Year's Day	June 15	Father's Day
Jan. 20	MLK Jr. Day	June 19	Juneteenth
		June 27	Last Day of School



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# DIRECTIONS

### Administration Building

1881 Deer Park Ave.  
Deer Park, NY 11729  
631-274-4001

Located on Deer Park Avenue between Lake Avenue and Long Island Avenue, accessed through JFK west parking lot.

### Deer Park High School

1 Falcon Place  
Deer Park, NY 11729  
631-274-4110

Located west of Deer Park Avenue between North 5th Street and North 1st Street; Acorn Street and Nicolls Road.

### Robert Frost Middle School

450 Half Hollow Road  
Deer Park, NY 11729  
631-274-4210

Located west of Deer Park Avenue at the intersection of Old Country Road and Half Hollow Road.

### John F. Kennedy Intermediate School

101 Lake Ave.  
Deer Park, NY 11729  
631-274-4310

Located east of Deer Park Avenue across from Deer Park Fire Department.

### John Quincy Adams Primary School

172 Old Country Road  
Deer Park, NY 11729  
631-274-4410

Located on the south side of Old Country Road, west of Deer Park Avenue.

### May Moore Primary School

239 Central Ave.  
Deer Park, NY 11729  
631-274-4460

Located west of Deer Park Avenue at the intersection of West 10th Street and Central Avenue.

### Memorial School

**Buildings and Grounds**  
**Instructional Technology Department**  
41 Homer Ave.  
Deer Park, NY 11729  
631-274-4080

Located west of Commack Road at the intersection of Nicolls Road and Homer Avenue.

### Abraham Lincoln School

**Central Registration Department**  
300 Park Ave.  
Deer Park, NY 11729  
631-274-4372

Located between West 10th and West 15th streets.



### Transportation Department

81 Lake Ave.  
Deer Park, NY 11729  
631-274-4060

Located diagonally across from Deer Park Library and Deer Park Fire Department, between Deer Park Avenue and Carlls Path.

### Deer Park Public Library

44 Lake Ave.  
Deer Park, NY 11729  
631-586-3000

Located diagonally across from the Transportation Department between Deer Park Avenue and Carlls Path.

# SCHOOL ORGANIZATIONS

## DEER PARK HIGH SCHOOL PFC

email: DPHSPFC@gmail.com

President	Lisa Martin
1st Vice President	Stacey Ringel
Treasurer	Leidy Munoz
Corresponding Secretary	Tracy McGarty

## JOHN F. KENNEDY INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL PFC

email: JFKPFC@gmail.com

Co-President	Nerita Howard
Co-President	Miriam Muntz
1st Vice President	Irene Byrd
2nd Vice President	Dana Fahl
3rd Vice President	Maria Rodriguez
4th Vice President	Vanessa Martin
5th Vice President	Meredith Colopietro
Secretary	Jennifer Hernandez
Treasurer	Imee Acevedo

## JOHN QUINCY ADAMS PRIMARY SCHOOL PFC

President	Teresa Gerardin
Vice President	Gina Ferguson
Treasurer	Rachel Wahlig
Secretary	Jasmine Morales
Historian	Alida Giannini
Historian	Stephanie Pope

## MAY MOORE PRIMARY SCHOOL PFC

email: MayMoorePFC@gmail.com

President	Samantha Tutoli
Vice President	Stephanie Buckley-Dozis
Vice President	Mara Kerringer
Vice President	Jessica Paleologos
Vice President	Kelly Billig
Vice President	Colette Tarantino
Vice President	Dominique Horsley
Treasurer	Melissa Palma
Secretary	Alexis Tyson

## SPECIAL EDUCATION PFC

President	Nella Tchinnis
Vice President	Kristin Colquhoun
Treasurer	Jackie Sluyter
Secretary	Crystal Thomas
Public Relations	Jackie Stein

## DEER PARK ARTS COUNCIL

President	William Gavin
Vice President	Christi Farina-Romano
Treasurer	Imee Acevedo
Secretary	Luz Tavarez