

P.S. 273 Queens Back-To-School Parent Town Hall Meeting



Welcome!

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Our Core Values



**Communication, Collaboration, Shared Knowledge,
Inclusive Environment, Growth Mindset**

K-5 Curriculum

- HMH Into Reading
- Envision Math
- HMH Writing
- AMPLIFY Science
- Passport to Social Studies
- Music, Visual Art, Tech/Keyboarding, and Physical Education



Pre-K Curriculum




- We use the *Creative Curriculum*
- It's a research-based curriculum that features inquiry, exploration, and discovery as the foundation of all learning.
- As a content-rich, developmentally appropriate curriculum, it delivers academic rigor alongside social-emotional development and cognitive development.
- Students engage in “purposeful play” experiences
- Fosters student independence and social-emotional growth
- Supports students in developing oral language, self and peer awareness and higher order thinking skills
- Aligned with the Pre-Kindergarten Foundation for the Common Core (PKFCC) Standards
 - Using developmentally appropriate teaching practices



Focus on Social Emotional Support for All

- School-Wide Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS)
- Morning Meeting
Additional Teachers & Staff Push-In
- Ensuring every child, family, and staff member feels seen, heard, and respected
- Cultural & Seasonal celebrations



A Nurturing Environment: Social and Emotional Learning (SEL)

We integrate social-emotional learning across the school day in order to help students:

- Build trust, feel safe, and foster resilience
- Connect with the school environment, make new friends, and meet new adults
- Build community and understanding of differences
- Share experiences and develop strong coping skills
- Celebrate the beauty of diversity and provide students with culturally responsive and sustaining education



Class Parent Program

Being a class parent is a great way to get involved in your child's class and in our Parent Teacher Association (PTA)

- Each classroom will need two class parents.
- Class parents support their child's class by assisting the teacher with different tasks.
- Arrange your schedule of days with the teacher's schedule: It is flexible.



Code of Behavior

As a member of the P.S. 273Q Learning Community, we expect that all scholars carry themselves with a sophisticated level of character. Our scholars are leaders and role models for others. They respect themselves and others, which applies to their words and their physical behavior. It also applies to the way they help in our community. Please talk to your child about what it means to not just be a good student but a respectful member of the community at all times; even when it's hard. Scholars do not curse, name-call, instigate arguments, or verbally insult students or staff members. They should never fight, play fight, or engage in any physical activity with their peers. We always want to remind our scholars that they are above irresponsible behavior. Being a good citizen of P.S. 273Q is their responsibility and will prepare them for the world of work and adulthood. We are proud of our scholars and expect them to always meet our high expectations.

Citywide Behavior Expectations: The Discipline Code

- Is age-specific with one set for grades K-5 and another for grades 6-12.
- Explains the standards for behavior in the New York City public schools.
- Describes supports, interventions, and disciplinary responses that schools can use when students demonstrate unwelcome behavior.
- Explains how you can appeal decisions.
- Includes the K-12 Student Bill of [Rights and Responsibilities](#).



<https://www.schools.nyc.gov/school-life/know-your-rights/discipline-code>



Addressing Classroom Concerns

- If you have a concern about your child: academic, behavioral, social emotional, safety in the classroom, etc. **the first person to tell is your child's teacher.**
- If you are unable to reach your child's teacher, the **next person to contact is the Parent Coordinator.**
- Please refrain from approaching another parent regarding their child. And never approach the child of another parent. The school is here to assist all parties involved.



K -5 School Schedule

September 4th is the First Day of School

Main Entrance & Playground Entrance Open at
7:50 a.m. for Hot Breakfast

- Students go to the classroom at 8:10 a.m. to begin their day.
- Doors close at 8:15 a.m. Any students who are dropped off at that time will be marked late. Parents must complete the late book.
- Dismissal is at: 2:20 p.m.

Grades K-3 dismiss in the playground

Grades 4 & 5 at the Main Entrance

Pre-K Schedule

**Staggered Schedule the first 2 days of
school beginning on**

September 4th:

9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

September 5th:

8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Pre-K enters and exits from Exit 2



After School Programs



- The school has a partnership with the Compass After School Program. This is a Community Based Organization. It is not run by the school.

These Programs are run by the School:

- **ENL After School Program:** 1 hour, 2x week. Starts in Nov/Dec
- **Saturday School:** 3 hrs on Saturdays: Starts in Dec/Jan
- **State Test Prep:** Feb/March start
- **Chess Club**
- **Debate Team**

School Supplies



- School supply lists were sent home in June with your child's report card.
- They were also posted on Instagram and Class Dojo
- Please **label** your child's school supplies.
- **You may drop off your child's school supplies the week before school starts.**

Birthday Celebrations

- Please notify your child's teacher at least 1 week prior to the date you would like to celebrate.
- Cupcakes and Juice (no soda/chips/big cake/party bags are allowed please)
- Please **do not** bring balloons.
- Out of an abundance of respect and consideration for the teacher and what they have planned for your children, please **do not** call the main office, tell the Parent Coordinator, or the Principal. **Your child's teacher** will inform you of the best time to come in for the celebration. Celebrations are usually held during the last period of the school day.





Grading Policy

- Level 4 = 94-100% Exceeds Standards
(working above grade level expectations)
- Level 3 = 80-93% Meets Standards
(working at grade level expectations)
- Level 2 = 65-79% Approaching Standards
(working towards grade level expectations)
- Level 1 = 64-0% Far Below Standards
(needs more help)

We will distribute the detailed Grading Policy to all parents during “Meet the Teacher” night on September 12th. Please keep in mind that **your child’s teacher** can always show you how your child’s grade will be determined in any particular subject area.



Cell Phone Policy

If students have a phone, they must turn them off once they enter the school building and **they must remain sealed in their backpack during school hours.** If your child is seen with their cell phone out during school hours, it will be **confiscated and only released to the parent/guardian.** Please read and sign the attached document regarding our school cell phone policy. This form must be returned to your child's teacher on the first day of school.

Media Consent Forms

Please complete the media consent form if you give permission for the school to photograph or videotape your child and post on our school social media accounts: Dojo, IG, Twitter. This form must be returned to your child's teacher on the first day of school



We are a Uniform School



Our uniform is a **white collared shirt and khaki pants/skirt/jumper**. Students may also wear “school spirit” attire such as the shirts and hoodies for sale. To order uniforms please visit here: [Home | P.S. 273 School](#)

If your family needs assistance with uniforms, please contact our Guidance Counselor, Ms. Gigi or our Social Worker, Ms. DesVignes.

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Food

- Hot breakfast and lunch will be available to all students daily.
- If your child has dietary restrictions, you may inform your child's teacher but please also begin to teach your child what they may or may not eat.
- Parents may send food for their child, but if there is a child with a food allergy in the class, your child's teacher may inform you that you may not send a particular food.
- Please inform your **child's teacher ASAP** if your child has **an allergy or medical need**.



Health Matters

- Our school nurse is located on the second floor. If your child visits the nurse for any reason, you will receive a phone call and a note in your child's backpack.
- If you need to reach the nurse, please call the school at 718-286-8300 ext#2081
- Please know that the Department of Education has strict rules for fever (24 hr policy), [immunizations](#), [head lice](#), and [bed bug](#) situations.
- The nurse is not allowed to administer medications to children unless it involves a medication administration form (MAF) for [allergies](#), [asthma](#), [diabetes](#), or other chronic medical condition. For more information about this, please contact us.

Outdoor Play

- The [DOE Citywide Wellness Policy](#) encourages elementary schools to offer at least 20 minutes of recess on all or most days during the school year. Recess should not be used for meal time. Schools should set aside at least 20 minutes for students to eat their lunches.
- At P.S. 273Q our scholars get 50 minutes of lunch time. They go outside for recess every day for at least 20 minutes—even when it is [cold outside](#).
- Please ensure that your child is always properly dressed for the weather. Please talk to your child about the importance of keeping their clothing on and label all of their belongings with their first and last name. Please avoid having your child wear crocs, open toed shoes, and/or flip flops that can cause them to easily fall and hurt themselves.



Other Administrative Matters

- ❖ Public School Bus Transportation
- ❖ Lunch Application
- ❖ Blue Emergency Contact Cards

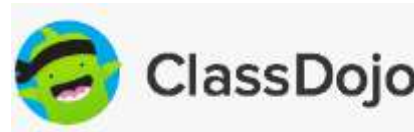
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Emergency Contact Information

- ❖ Please complete the **emergency contact forms** as soon as possible.
- ❖ **Current telephone numbers** in case of an emergency
- ❖ Please list **three** additional adults: Relatives or Friends who may be able to pick-up your child in your place

School-Home Communication

- Class Dojo



- School Instagram:



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https://www.instagram.com/ps273q_

- School Website: www.ps273q.com

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More Ways to Stay Connected

- Student Home-School Folder
- Monthly Curriculum Newsletters
- Monthly Town Hall Meetings with Principal Perez
- Monthly PTA Meetings
- Monthly School Calendar
- Parent-Teacher Association
- **Volunteer** to be a **Class Parent!**



Registration

- Registration is handled by our School Secretary, Ms. Padilla
- **All new** students must be interviewed to determine their English Language Proficiency
- Class information will be finalized at the end of August. Letters will go out at the end of the summer.

NYCDOE Emergency Readiness



Emergency Readiness

General Response Protocols

12 drills/year

- Lockdowns (4)
- Shelter-in
- Evacuations (8)
- Hold



<https://www.schools.nyc.gov/school-life/safe-schools/emergency-readiness>

Evacuation Review: 8 drills at minimum



- The fire alarm will usually signal the need to evacuate but this may also happen through a PA announcement or other notification method used within the school.
- **Everyone must exit the building**
- Everyone must be accounted for in every stage of movement:
 - Before leaving the class
 - Once at the staging area
 - Before returning to class or to the relocation site
 - Once inside the class or at the relocation site
 - Any other time of movement
- **The GRP Assembly Card** is used to obtain help, indicate a medical emergency, or normal conditions with your group.



Evacuation Sites

- **P.S. 254 The Rosa Parks School**

Address: 84-40 101 Street, Queens, NY 11418

Phone: 718-520-7878

- **P.S. 60 The Woodhaven School**

Address: 91 - 02 88th Avenue,
Woodhaven, NY 11421 | Phone: 718-441-5046

- **P.S. 7 Abraham Lincoln**

Address: 858 Jamaica Ave, Brooklyn, NY 11208

Phone: 718 647-3600

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Thank you for coming!
If you have any questions,
please call our Main Office:
718-286-8300