



PARK SLOPE SCHOOL PS 282 FAMILY HANDBOOK

Academic School Year 2022-2023

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A Message from our Principal

Dear PS 282 Community,

Thank you for your continued dedication to our community!

Warmly,
Amy Rodriguez

Amy Rodríguez

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About our School

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At Park Slope 282, our mission is to engage students, staff, parents and the community in providing rich, project-based learning experiences while supporting our students' social emotional development. We believe this will be done by fostering meaningful relationships within our school community and establishing high expectations for all to ensure that our students dream, believe, excel and achieve.

Supporting the cognitive, emotional and physical intelligences of young children helps to put the pieces together on how to close the achievement and opportunity gap of our children. We achieve this coming together as a team, using our combined set of skills and resources to maximize the potential of all of our students. This requires:

- Understanding and nurturing the social, emotional, physical, and cognitive needs of every child.
- Knowing and celebrating the creativity and interests that students bring to school.
- Engaging students to highlight their diverse gifts and talents.
- Cultivating resilience in students to help them persevere in their daily learning experiences.

Partnering with Families and Our School Community

There must be an active partnership between students, parents, community, and staff. The engagement of our families happens every day by integrating the culture, resources, and members of our school community. This partnership is supported by fostering relationships built on mutual trust and respect for all of our roles.

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Please note: We are not permitted to transfer calls to classrooms. You are welcome to communicate with your child's teacher via email or during teacher office hours as provided.

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Emergency Closings and Delayed Openings

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The Chancellor of the NYC Department Of Education, makes decisions about school closures and delayed openings by 6:00 a.m. on a given day. Families can find updated information by checking the DOE website schools.nyc.gov, by calling 311, or by listening to local news radio (880 WCBS AM or 1010 WINS AM), local TV stations, or cable channel NY 12.

Guidance for Staying Home

If student or staff member has a fever of 100 degrees or higher or exhibits any symptoms of COVID-19, such as:

- Cough;
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing;
- Fatigue;
- Muscle or body aches;
- Headache;
- New loss of taste or smell;
- Sore throat;
- Congestion or runny nose;
- Nausea or vomiting; and/or
- Diarrhea.

They are to remain home until there are no further symptoms. Students and staff who previously showed symptoms will not be permitted into school without a note from a doctor.

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School Calendar 2022-2023

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[2022-2023 School Year Calendar \(nyc.gov\)](https://www.282parkslope.org/)

Please look at <https://www.282parkslope.org/> for our school calendar and events

This is the 2022–23 school year calendar for all K–12 NYCDOE public schools.

Please note the following reminders:

- November 8, Election Day, will be a fully remote, asynchronous instructional day for all students.
- On “Snow days” or days when school buildings are closed due to an emergency, all students and families should plan to participate in remote learning.
- Parent-teacher conference dates are the citywide defaults; individual school dates might differ from those below.

Your child’s Teacher and Class Parent will work with you to schedule your conference.

DATE WEEKDAY EVENT

September 8 Thursday First day of school

September 15 Thursday Evening Parent-Teacher Conferences for elementary schools, and Pre-K Centers

September 26 Monday Rosh Hashanah, schools closed

September 27 Tuesday Rosh Hashanah, schools closed

October 5 Wednesday Yom Kippur, schools closed

October 10 Monday Italian Heritage / Indigenous Peoples' Day, schools closed

November 3 Thursday Afternoon and Evening Parent-Teacher Conferences for elementary schools; students in these schools dismissed three hours early.

November 8 Tuesday Election Day, students do not attend school

November 9 Wednesday Afternoon and Evening Parent-Teacher Conferences for middle schools and D75 schools; students in these schools dismissed three hours early.

November 11 Friday Veterans Day, schools closed

November 18 Friday Afternoon Parent-Teacher Conferences for high schools, K–12, and 6–12 schools; students in these schools dismissed three hours early.

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November 24 Thursday Thanksgiving, schools closed

November 25 Friday Thanksgiving Recess, schools closed

December 26 Monday Christmas Day (observed), schools closed

December 27–30 Tuesday– Friday Winter Recess, schools closed

January 2 Monday New Year's Day (observed), schools closed

January 16 Monday Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day, schools closed

January 24–27 Tuesday– Friday Regents Administration

February 20– 24 Monday– Friday Midwinter Recess, schools closed (includes Presidents Day and Lincoln's Birthday (observed))

March 9 Thursday Afternoon and Evening Parent-Teacher Conferences for elementary schools and Pre-K Centers; students in these schools dismissed three hours early.

March 23 Thursday Evening Parent-Teacher Conferences for high schools, K–12, and 6–12 schools

March 24 Friday Afternoon Parent-Teacher Conferences for high schools, K–12, and 6–12 schools; students in these schools dismissed three hours early. April 6 Thursday First Day of Passover, schools closed

April 7 Friday Second Day of Passover / Good Friday, schools closed

April 8–14 Monday– Friday Spring Recess, schools closed

April 21 Friday Eid al-Fitr, schools closed

May 4 Thursday Evening Parent-Teacher Conferences for elementary schools and Pre-K Centers

May 11 Thursday Evening Parent-Teacher Conferences for middle schools and D75 schools

May 18 Thursday Evening Parent-Teacher Conferences for high schools, K–12, and 6–12 schools

May 29 Monday Memorial Day, schools closed

June 8 Thursday Anniversary Day / Chancellor's Conference Day for staff development; students do not attend.

June 9 Friday Clerical Day for elementary schools, middle schools, K–12 schools, and standalone D75 programs; students in these schools do not attend.

June 19 Monday Juneteenth, schools closed

June 27 Tuesday Last day of school for students

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Parent Teacher Conference Dates:

Thursday, November 4, 2022
Afternoon Conference 1:00p.m. – 3:00p.m.
Evening Conference 4:00p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, March 3, 2023
Afternoon Conference 1:00p.m. – 3:00p.m.
Evening Conference 4:00p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

Families will have an opportunity to set up a time to meet with the teacher.

Marking Periods For Grades K through 5			
MP	Beginning/ End Dates	Grade Due in STARS	Progress Report Dates
1 st	September 8, 2022- December 17, 2022	December 23, 2022	November 1, 2021
2 nd	December 20, 2022- March 25, 2022	April 11, 2023	February 11, 2022
3 rd	March 28, 2023- June 27, 2023	June 17, 2022	May 13, 2022

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Bell Schedule

Period 1	8:30am – 9:25am
Period 2	9:27am – 10:17am
Period 3	10:19am – 11:09am
Period 4 Grade Pre K, K & 1 Lunch Period	11:11am – 12:05am
Period 5 Grade 2 & 3 Lunch Period	12:07am – 1: 01pm
Period 6 Grade 4 & 5 Lunch Period	1:03pm – 1:53pm
Period 7 Dismissal Period	1:55pm – 2:50pm

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Visitor Policy

(Including parents/guardians)

Entering the Building

Because of COVID 19 and social distancing, no visitors will be permitted in the building without an appointment or in the case of an emergency. In case of an emergency, you are encouraged to contact the main office prior to your arrival to the building.

All 282 visitors must enter and exit via the main entrance only at, 180 6th Avenue.

All visitors must stop at the security desk, sign in and be announced. Picture ID is required as well as a completed health screening from the DOE. We strongly advise visitors to take the screening prior to entering the building: <https://healthscreening.schools.nyc/>. From there, **all visitors must proceed to the Main Office, room 133. No parent is allowed to go to a classroom without a pass from the main office.**

Baby strollers, scooters and bicycles are not permitted past the security desk.

Parents/guardians may not escort children beyond the security desk or main office during school hours; this includes arrival time. Students will be received by their teacher at their designated location, see **(Arrival and Dismissal for location and time, according to grade)**. Please make every effort to arrive at your scheduled time.

Emergency and Scheduled Meetings

Interrupting instructional time is not encouraged. Only in case of emergencies or for a scheduled meeting will students be brought to the Main Office or other offices to meet parents/visitors. Parents/guardians and visitors will be escorted to the Main Office from the security desk, or other offices by an Administration Member.

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Arrival and Dismissal

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Please add the DOE's [Online Health Screening Tool](#) to your phone

A copy of the paper form can be downloaded [HERE](#)

Breakfast Arrival

Students arriving at school for breakfast, which is served from 8:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m., will enter the school through the main entrance and wait until school personnel is downstairs before going to breakfast.

Students will NOT be permitted in the building prior to 8:00 a.m.

Regular Arrival

For students not participating in breakfast, they should arrive at school by 8:30 a.m. **Please see a.m. arrival, p.m. dismissal and location below.**

For inclement weather Students in grades K through 2nd will go directly to the auditorium, while students in grades 3 and 4 will go directly into the gymnasium, 5th grade will go directly to the cafeteria. Pre K students will enter as normal. **NO PARENTS ARE PERMITTED TO ENTER THE AUDITORIUM OR GYMNASIUM.**

Late Arrival

Students who are not in their first period seats at 8:30 a.m. are considered late. If your child is late to school, please inform School Safety that you are late, if your child needs to be escorted to class. Students in the lower grades will be escorted to class by a DOE staff member. This period is a very busy time of day. Since the disruptions can upset normal routines and learning of all students, it is important that you help your child be on time each day. Establishing good attendance habits right from the start is very helpful.

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Arrival and Dismissal (continued)

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Pre K

Arrival: 8:30 a.m.

Dismissal: 2:40 p.m.

Location: Pre K Entrance, down the ramp on Berkeley Place.

K

Arrival 8:30 a.m.

Dismissal 2:45 p.m.

Location: Kindergarten students will assemble through the main gate of the school entrance. (180 6th Avenue). Please be advised that, parents will not be permitted in the gate; due to COVID 19 social distancing purposes.

Grades 1 & 2

Arrival: 8:30 a.m.

Dismissal: 2:50 p.m.

Location: convene in the big yard off Berkeley Place (Green Turf)

Grades 3,4 & 5 Arrival: 8:30 a.m. Basketball Court

Grade 3 & 4

Location for Dismissal: 2:50 p.m. Exit D/E located in the back of the school closest to the basketball court on Lincoln

Grade 5

Location for Dismissal: 2:50 p.m. Exit first door on Lincoln, labeled Park Slope School, Public School 282

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Because of COVID 19, during arrival times, parents cannot walk students to class. It has become customary for parents to walk students to class and then have conversations with the classroom teacher. This disrupts classroom instruction and the teacher is not able to actively supervise the students in the classroom during this time. We encourage you to meet with the teacher during their office hours.

Parent Concerns

If you are concerned that your child is struggling academically and may need an evaluation for special education services, please talk to your child's teacher. If your teacher agrees, s/he may try informal classroom interventions and/or write a letter to the school psychologist requesting a formal evaluation. The psychologist's determination is guided by DOE regulations that require a student to be performing below grade level in order to receive services. Academic services are given when there is a diagnosed need and a child is functioning below grade level in one area. Related services (OT, PT, speech, counseling) are given if the diagnosed need is negatively affecting a child's ability to be on grade level.

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NYC Schools Account

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You play an important role in your child's academic success. Our goal is to give you the information you need to be an informed and active partner in your child's education. We invite you to set up your [NYC Schools Account](#). This is a web-based application, which provides a new way for you to view your child's academic and biographic information, in one of ten languages on a computer, phone or tablet.

In the account, you can see a child's:

- Attendance
- Grades (including Report Cards, past and current)
- Assessments (test scores)
- Health information (Fitnessgram)
- Schedule
- Enrollment history

Parents and Legal Guardians are welcome to contact Parent Coordinator, Mrs. Collie-Cyrus, via email SCollie2@schools.nyc.gov if you have any concerns or questions regarding registering for a NYC Schools Account.

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FOR REMOTE DAYS

Where do students find their account ID and password?

To retrieve your account ID and password:

Go to **Student Account Self Service**([Open external link](#))

1. Enter your **9-digit Student ID (OSIS) number**. (You can find your Student ID number on a report card, your student ID card, in Operoo, marked Student ID in student's profile, or in your [NYCSA](#) account.)
2. Enter your **birthday**.
3. Click **Continue**.
4. If the information you enter matches your student record, your username will be displayed.
5. Your student ID is your username followed by @nycstudents.net. For example, if your username is JaneD, your student account ID is JaneD@nycstudents.net.
6. If you have not already set up a password, you will be asked to set one up.
7. **Pick a password** that only you will know.
8. Re-enter your **password**.
9. Click **Update Password**.

IPad Requests

If you are in need of a device for remote learning, you can request an iPad from the Department of Education <https://coronavirus.schools.nyc/RemoteLearningDevices>

Devices

Every New York City public school student will be given the necessary tools and materials for remote learning. By accepting the agreement and using the device, families agree that the device is the property of the NYCDOE, and it must be returned when on-site learning resumes.

To keep students connected and meeting academic requirements when learning remotely, the NYCDOE has created student accounts for every student. The account gives you access to Google Classroom and Microsoft Office 365.

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Do you have a 282/DOE loaned device?

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When returning a device, please be sure to include with the device, the information below. You can return devices to the main lobby between

When returning a device, please be sure to include with the device, the information below. You can return devices to the main lobby between 12:00-3:00 from August 30 thru September 3, 2021. When returning, please be sure to write your child's name, the device type, parent's name and telephone number, and the date you are returning the device. (Use the text below as a guide).

Date

Child's Name:

Parent's Name & Telephone Number:

Please check which device you are returning:

___ Macbook from PS 282

___ Chromebook from PS 282

___ IPAD from PS 282

___ IPAD from the DOE

I have also returned the charger:

___ Yes

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How do students access Google Classroom?

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To access Google Classroom: For Students

How to access Google Classroom

Please follow the instructions below to access Google Classroom using your nycstudents.net login.

Where to start

1. Go to [Teach Hub](#)(Open external link)
2. Enter your **DOE student account email** (it ends in @nycstudents.net)
3. If you don't know your DOE student account email, visit [DOE Student Accounts](#)
4. Enter your **password**.
5. Click **Sign In**.
6. If the username and password entered are correct, you will be signed into the remote learning portal successfully.
7. Click on the Google Classroom icon.
8. Now you are in Google Classroom!

Best Practices at Home

- Get familiar with each of the **digital tools** your child will use while learning from home.
- Review your school's expectations for completing assignments and appropriate behavior on internet-enabled devices.
- Set up a space for your child to use that considers their unique learning styles.
- Create a routine and daily schedule that will support your child's success while learning from home.
- Make a list of activities that you and your child can use in addition to their classwork.

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In the Know

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Operoo

Our school is going digital!

We've adopted a new system named Operoo; it's paperless and we'll be able to send you electronic forms that are easy to complete on your phone, tablet or PC. You can also watch a short video (<https://www.caremonkey.com/parents/>) on Operoo's parent page that shows you how the system works for parents.

Income Verification Form Formerly known as the *Lunch Form*, income verification forms can now be completed online. The Lunch Form is also available in Spanish and other languages. Please visit: <https://www.schools.nyc.gov/school-life/food/school-meals>

School Meals

<https://www.schools.nyc.gov/school-life/food/school-meals>

Menu

<https://www.schools.nyc.gov/school-life/food/menus>

School Supply List

If you have not already received the school supply list, please email SCollie2@schools.nyc.gov

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Homework

In grades 3-5 homework may be assigned daily to extend and reinforce learning from class, broaden classroom experience, to develop self-discipline, personal responsibilities, independent thinking and study habits, and to provide for and promote individual strengths, learning styles, interests and talents. Homework in grades K-2 is optional, at the discretion of families. No homework should be assigned for any student on the weekends.

Homework Help

Call Dial-A-Teacher at (212) 777-3380. This United Federation of Teacher sponsored helpline, staffed by highly skilled teachers, offers help in all subjects in eight (8) languages. They don't give answers – just enough coaching to let children complete assignments on their own, or help parents understand what's going on in math. The helpline is open Monday through Friday 4pm – 7pm.

Immunization Policy

Every student must meet the immunization requirements set out by the NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene in the School Immunization Requirements. Any child who does not meet the immunization requirements within the stated period will be issued an exclusion letter and excluded from school until the requirements are met. For additional information, please visit

<https://cdn-blob-prd.azureedge.net/prd-pws/docs/default-source/default-document-library/immunization-requirements-letter-and-chart.pdf>

Additional information regarding immunization can be found in the link below.

<https://www.schools.nyc.gov/docs/default-source/default-document-library/immunizationrequirements-letter-and-chart-for-school-year-2020-21v2>

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Busing

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On a school level, we do not determine ridership eligibility for students. Eligibility is done through the Office of Pupil Transportation (OPT). If your child qualifies to ride the school bus, you will be notified by OPT. Any questions regarding riding the yellow school bus should be addressed to OPT at (718) 392-8855. Or you can speak to the Pupil Account Secretary, Mrs. Padmore-Brissett.

<https://www.schools.nyc.gov/school-life/transportation/bus-eligibility>

Metro Cards

Students in K-2 are eligible for a MetroCard if they live more than a mile from school.

Allergies

<https://www.schools.nyc.gov/school-life/health-and-wellness/staying-healthy/allergies>

For additional information, please go to

<http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/hcp/imz/catchup.html>

Medication

If your child requires ongoing medication to be administered during the day, please visit:

<https://www.schools.nyc.gov/school-life/health-and-wellness/health-services>

Health Screenings

<https://healthscreening.schools.nyc/>

Head Lice

<https://www.schools.nyc.gov/school-life/health-and-wellness/staying-healthy/head-lice>

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Cellphones

The Department of Education prohibits cell phone use in school. If your child must have a cell phone, it should be turned off and kept in their book bag. Please realize cell phones can be confiscated if used in school. If you have an emergency, contact the main office to reach your child at (718) 622-1626.

Face-to-Face Letter Requests

Face-to-Face letters (to prove attendance at PS 282) must be made two days in advance to Mrs. Collie-Cyrus or Mrs. Padmore-Brissett. This letter must be picked up by the parent making the request. These letters **cannot** be backpacked home.

School-Based Support Team (SBST)

The School Based Support Team works together with parents and teachers to ensure that the special needs of individual students are met. Child study meetings are held regularly with the other members of the Pupil Personnel Team to confidentially review, evaluate, and develop interventions to meet the needs of specific students who are not demonstrating success in their current educational program.

If you feel your child should be evaluated to receive special services such as occupational, speech, or physical therapy, speak to the classroom teacher. Response to Intervention services can be provided. If necessary, the classroom teacher will instruct you to write a request letter and submit it to the SBST. They can also help obtain special classroom accommodations for testing accommodations. The team meets with parents and teachers to create Individual Education Plans (IEPs) to support students with special needs.

Lost and Found

The lost and found is located in the back of the auditorium.

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P-EBT Info

EBT Customer Service 11-888-328-6399 or 833-452-0096 or go to www.connectebt.com

To get a new P-EBT card, you will need to log into your NYCSA to ensure your address is up to date. If it is not, please email SCollie2@schools.nyc.gov You will need to provide proof of your new address in order for the change to occur.

Please note that this program is not overseen by the DOE. Addresses are pulled from school records.

Click [HERE](#) for more information on P-EBT

Additional COVID Information

<https://www.schools.nyc.gov/learning/blended-learning/activities-and-supports/special-education-supports/helpful-links-for-covid-19>

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Afterschool Providers

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Imani House ImaniHouse.org 718-638-2059

In House grades K through 5

Google Discover DYCD

<https://discoverdycd.dycdconnect.nyc/program-public>

Select Afterschool Program

Kids Orbit <https://www.kidsorbit.org/> on Site Supervisor 718-768-4426

In House

Congregations Beth Elohim www.cbebk.org

Pick Up ONLY

Bean Sprouts 718.965.8573

Pick Up ONLY

More information can be found [here](#) and the families can register using this [link](#).

Tiny Scientist <http://www.thetinyscientist.com/>

In House & Pick Up ONLY (limited seats for both)

Chess at Three School chessat3.com jen.didonato@chessat3.com

Pick Up ONLY

[REGISTER HERE](#) to sign up today!

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As our partnerships within the community grow, we will be adding additional providers.

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FAMILIES WORKING TO SUPPORT PS 282

All New York State public schools are mandated to have a School Leadership Team (SLT). It is the primary school based vehicle for parents to work with teachers and the Principal to establish school priorities, ensure the budget is aligned with those priorities and evaluate
SLT meets once a month, the **1st Tuesday** of every month at 4:00pm to 6:00pm

Meet the PTO

Please sign up for the PTO Newsletter, which is provided by Mail Chimp. This is a separate email list other than the schools email listing. We encourage you to sign up to both to make sure you are fully informed.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe6PHyJPu9cbzD51a3olrWK56wN38hAOxOkjvChU-YL81rjQ/viewform>

Email 282pto@gmail.com

Visit the 282 Parent operated Website: <https://www.282parkslope.org/>

PTO meets the **3rd Thursday** of the **Month**.

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Become a Class Parent – The Class parent provides a critical link between the parents and the classroom teacher, The PTO and School Administration. There can be one or co-class parents per class.

- * Class parents build a sense of community within the classroom
- * Foster a relationship with other class parents in the same class and grade
- * Help organize snacks, supplies and other assistance for classroom
- * Assist in trips with class.

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