



Hackensack Public Schools

Parent Workshop: The Ins and outs of Secondary Education in the United States.

**Taller para padres: Los
pormenores de la
educación secundaria.**

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Families, students,
teachers, HPS
Administrators, HPS
Board of Education
Trustees.

*Welcome and thank
you for being here!*

Familias, estudiantes,
maestros,
administradores de
HPS, miembros de la
Junta de Educación
de HPS

مرحبا بك وشكرا
!لوجودك هنا

*Mirësevini dhe
faleminderit që jeni
këtu!*

*Byenvini e
mësi
paske w
te vini!*



Bienvenue et merci d'être venu!

Добродошли и
хвала што сте
дошли!

მოგესალმებით
და მადლობა
მობრძანებისთვის!

*Maligayang pagdating at
salamat sa pagpunta dito!*

خوش آمدید اور آئے
کا شکریہ!

*;Bienvenidos y gracias
por estar aquí!*

歡迎並感謝您的光臨！

Bem-vindo e obrigado por ter vindo!

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ໝອບຄຸນທີ່ໄວ້ນີ້!

*Benvenuti e grazie per essere
venuti!*

What country are
you from?

¿De qué país es
usted?



**How can families
support teenagers
with their education
and academic
success?**

**¿Cómo pueden las
familias apoyar a sus
hijos/hijas con su
educación y
ayudarlos a alcanzar
el éxito académico?**



Board of Education/Junta Educativa

<https://www.hackensackschools.org/domain/91>

In New Jersey, Boards of Education (BOEs) are the policy-making bodies for local school districts. They are **responsible for setting the direction, goals, and objectives of the district**, while the [Superintendent of Schools](#) is the chief administrator who manages day-to-day operations. BOEs ensure that schools are well-run by establishing policies that guide the Superintendent and other staff.

En Nueva Jersey, **la función de las juntas de educación (juntas escolares) es supervisar y gobernar las escuelas públicas**. Esto incluye establecer políticas, aprobar presupuestos, contratar y supervisar al [superintendente](#), y garantizar que se cumplan las leyes y regulaciones estatales. La junta escolar actúa como un enlace entre la comunidad y la administración escolar, representando los intereses de los padres y estudiantes.



HHS Administrative Team/Equipo administrativo de la escuela.

Jim Montesano, Principal

Patty Lozano, Assistant Principal - Grade 12

Nicole Adams, Assistant Principal - Grade 11

Bob Greenwood, Assistant Principal - Grade 10

Celso King, Assistant Principal - Grade 9

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Why volunteer?

Community volunteerism plays a significant role for high school students in the US, offering numerous benefits beyond just fulfilling graduation requirements. It **fosters personal growth, enhances academic profiles, and strengthens communities**. Students develop essential skills, connect with their communities, and build a sense of social responsibility.

En los Estados Unidos, el voluntariado en la comunidad juega un papel importante para los estudiantes de secundaria, ofreciendo oportunidades para desarrollar habilidades, conectar con la comunidad, y mejorar su desarrollo personal. Los estudiantes pueden participar en diversas actividades como tutorías, asistencia en centros para personas mayores, voluntariado en refugios de animales, o apoyar a refugios para personas sin hogar. El voluntariado no solo beneficia a la comunidad, sino que también ayuda a los estudiantes a construir un currículum sólido, mejorar su salud mental y física, y desarrollar un sentido de responsabilidad social.



Extracurricular Activities

Clubs & Activities

**Actividades
extracurriculares.**

<https://www.hackensackathletics.org/>

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H The Drop-In Center at Hackensack High School School Based Youth Services Program



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*The Drop In Center is a collaborative effort between The Department of Children and Families
and Hackensack Board of Education*

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Mission Statement

The Drop-In Center provides:

- ◆ Accessible counseling, education through tutoring, career, health and advocacy programs.
- ◆ Services to all Hackensack High School students and their families for FREE.
- ◆ Services in an open, comfortable and safe environment by highly qualified staff who have expertise in working with youth and their families.

Drop-In Center Information

- ◆ Open 08:00am -4:00pm, Monday through Friday, 12 months a year.
- ◆ Available to all HHS students (ages 14-21), students' parents and HHS staff (Parental consent is required for students under 16 years old).
- ◆ Maintains confidentiality except in emergency situations.

The Drop-In Center is a comprehensive youth services program for Hackensack High School students and their families.



How can I support? ¿Cómo puedo apoyar?

10 Tips for Academic Success in High School

- Support Coursework Expectations
- Instill Organizational Skills
- Lead by Example
- Provide a Healthy Breakfast
- Listen When Kids Are Stressed
- Offer to Help With Studying
- Participate in School Activities and Meetings
- Build Test-Taking Skills
- Offer Constructive Criticism
- Encourage a Growth Mindset



Greater Bergen Community Action

392 Main Street
Hackensack

Head Start/Early Head Start/Preschool

Vice President: Mary Cudina

- ▶ No cost program that serves children ages birth to 5 from income eligible families.
- ▶ Serves children ages 3 to 5 and their families. Our Early Head Start program serves families that have children ages birth to 3. Our EHS program also includes special programming for expectant families.
- ▶ Our goal is to prepare children and families for kindergarten and life beyond. Head Start actively engage parents, recognizing family participation is an important part of our program.
- ▶ Our extensive services and resources range from early childhood education to health, nutrition, parent education, family counseling, financial counseling, and more.

Basic Eligibility: Children ages 0-5 with income-eligible parents in Bergen County, or the cities of Jersey City, Paterson or Prospect Park.

- ▶ Bergen County Head Start – 201-366-1020

Education and Training Center changed to

Education and Resource Center:

Vice President: Figen Tabakci

Phone: (201) 968-0200

- ▶ Immigration Assistance – Ext 7150
- ▶ ESL (English as a Second Language) Program- Ext 7150
- ▶ OSY HSE (Out of School Youth High School Equivalency) and Job Placement Program – Ext 7241 and 7450
- ▶ New Americans Program – Ext 7234
- ▶ Citizenship and Integration Program – Ext 7236
- ▶ Health Equity Program – Ext 7021
- ▶ Refugee Cash Assistance (RCA) Program – Ext 7109
- ▶ Legal Services -

Community Services

Vice President:
Alison DuBois

- **Independent Living Program for Youth**
- **Transitional Living for Men in Recovery / Ladder Project**
- **Tenant-Landlord Rights Assistance**
- **Homeless Prevention Program**
- **NJ LEAD Program / Rental Assistance**

**Community
Engagement
Vice President:
Mike Lamendola
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- **Low Income Heating Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)**
- **Weatherization Assistance Program**
 - **Lead-Safe Program**
- **1st Bergen Federal Credit Union**
- **CAFÉ HUB (Community Action Financial Education HUB)**

Community Resources - Youth Resource Center

[Youth Resource Center](#)



Questions? :: ¿Preguntas?

