

# Welcome to the District 30 3K & Pre-K Centers Family Orientation Meeting

**Principal: Dr. Suzan H. Goldstein**  
**Assistant Principal: Mrs. Anne Hogan**

Wednesday September 13, 2023





# Hello! From our administrative team



**Dr. Suzan H. Goldstein**  
**Principal**



**Mrs. Anne Hogan**  
**Assistant Principal**





# Our Centers

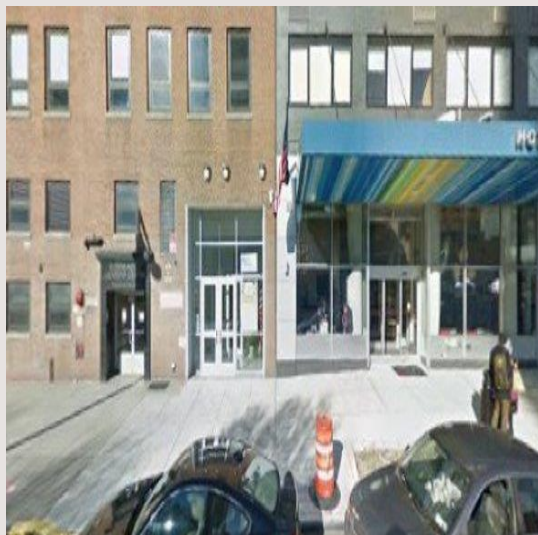


**Q389: 30Z021:  
96-10 23rd Ave,  
East Elmhurst**

**Q397: 30Z070:  
32-52 37th  
Street, Astoria**

**Q972: 30Z119:  
27-35 Jackson Ave,  
Long Island City**

**PS/IS 78: 30Z058:  
4809 Center Blvd.  
Long Island City**



# Our Sites: A day in a life...

Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PUrwhqE7H2s>



# Leading with H.E.A.R.T



Superintendent, Lisa Hidalgo  
leads with H.E.A.R.T

**Honesty**- open and honest relationships with communication

**Excellence**- Be passionate, determined and have integrity in all that you do

**Accountability**- Be responsible to embrace and drive change

**Respect** – Build a positive team and family spirit

**Teamwork** – Pursue growth and learning collaboratively

BELIEVE

# SITE COORDINATORS FOR OUR 4 SITES



Elisabeth Novak  
Site Coordinator  
Q389



Marilyn Guzman  
Site Coordinator  
@ P.S.78



Janelle Lankouande  
Site Coordinator  
@ Q972



Shannon Greenberg-Garcia  
Site Coordinator  
@ Q397



## About the District 30 3K/ Pre-K Centers



We believe in creating a community of learners where our children, teachers, families, and community members will **grow** together. Working in partnership with families, we will provide children with experiences that will **help them develop and prepare them for the future.** We will offer children the opportunity to construct knowledge, develop creativity and self-expression, build healthy self-esteem, and engage in meaningful relationships with others outside of family life during episodes of play and learning.



# Our Mission and Vision



## **Mission Statement**

**District 30 3K/Pre-K Centers strive to promote a safe, loving, nurturing, and inclusive learning environment that celebrates the diversity of our students, staff, families, and our school community. We will build and sustain an equitable and supportive learning environment that ensures high quality instruction which develops our students to become confident, curious, caring, capable and enthusiastic life-long learners.**

## **Vision Statement**

**In District 30 3K/Pre-K Centers we respect and value differences by creating a community based on trust, communication, and understanding. We embrace diversity in all its forms such as race, ethnicity, socioeconomic status, gender, cultural backgrounds, housing status, and sexual orientation.**





# Our Instructional Focus & Equity Statement



## **Our Instructional Focus**

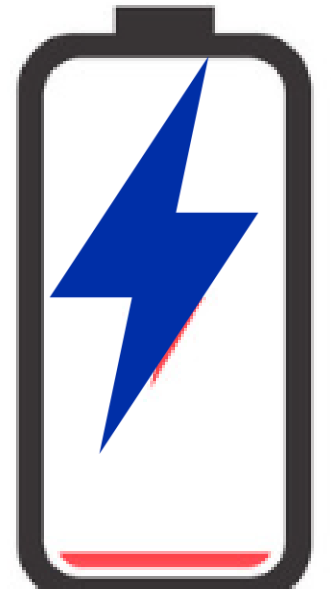
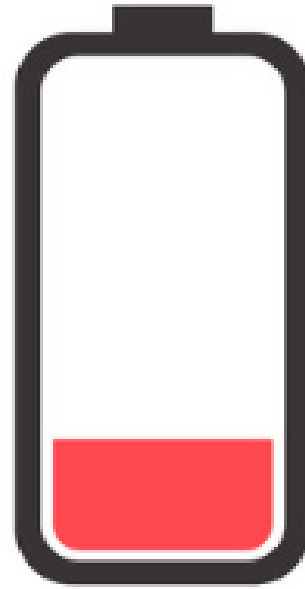
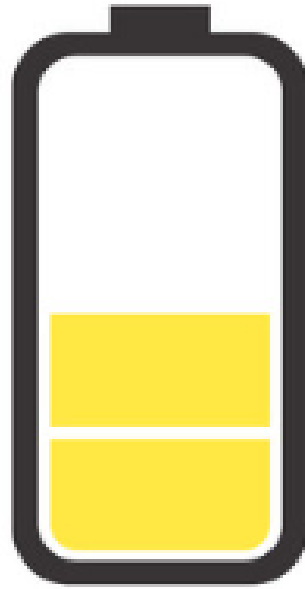
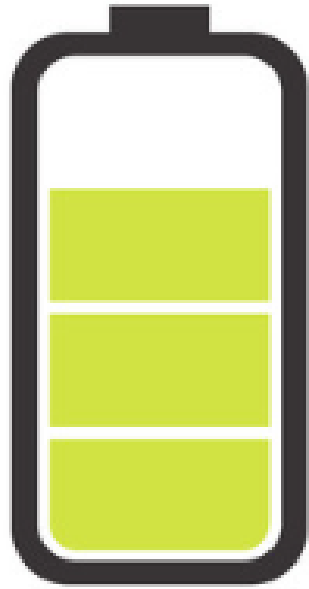
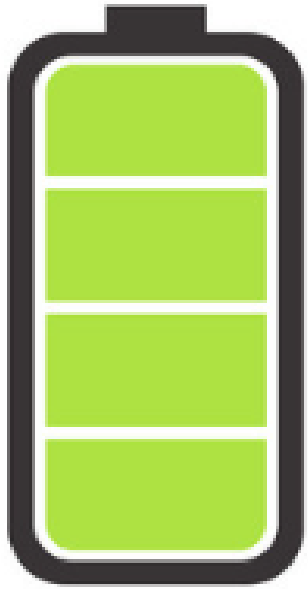
**Our goal is to create a culture of high expectations for our students in an equitable and mindful environment that allows for creativity, exploration, and interactions that ensures equity of voice. Using data, which includes, ASQ: SE-2, ASQ-3, Teaching Strategies Gold, CLASS, ECERS-3, formal and informal observations, and authentic student work we drive our instruction to meet our students' individualized needs.**

## **District 30 3K-Pre-K Centers Equity Statement**

**At the 3K/Pre-K centers, all stakeholders believe that students can learn in their individual learning styles and needs in a safe and nurturing environment. We are committed to learning and growing in a school community about one another's individual customs, stories, experiences at home and in school. We believe in educating our community to have empathy for others while appreciating and respecting each other's differences. Through active listening, communication, and teamwork, we would like all individuals to understand and see themselves as contributing members to our school community. We celebrate and learn through one another.**

# Social Emotional Check-In

What is your battery charge level right now? Use your fingers to show us the number that matches you best!



**1– Green**

Fully charged  
and going  
strong

**2– Chartreuse**

Mostly charged  
and going well

**3– Yellow**

Halfway  
charged; still  
ticking

**4– Red**

Barely holding  
on

**5 - Clear**

Not charged  
and in need of  
some support

**Fist - N/A**

Powered off but  
recharging and  
will be back  
soon

# Ready 4K

## You support learning when

## **you/Usted ayuda con el aprendizaje cuando:**

- Have conversations about school/Conversa acerca de la escuela
- Support great attendance/Fomenta una asistencia permanente
- Enjoy time together with your child/Disfruta tiempo junto a su hijo
- Learn during everyday moments/Aprende durante los momentos cotidianos
- Talk about your child's goals & interests/Conversa acerca de las metas e intereses de su hijo
- Enjoy family traditions/Participa en las tradiciones familiares
- ...and so much more!!/...¡y mucho más!

# Strong partnership between home and school leads to:

## Una estrecha alianza entre el hogar y la escuela resulta en:

- Higher grades /Notas más altas
- Stronger Attendance/Una asistencia permanente
- Higher graduation rates/Tasas de graduación más altas
- Increased social skills/Mejores habilidades sociales
- Strong relationships between teachers and families/Una relación fuerte entre los maestros y las familias
- Better school culture/Una mejor cultura escolar



# Creative Curriculum Units of Study



## **3-K Units of Study**

- Building Your Classroom Community (The First Six Weeks)
  - Clothing
    - Bread
  - Music Making
    - Trees
    - Pets
  - Buildings
    - Wheels
- Tubes & Tunnels

## **Pre-K Units of Study**

- Building Your Classroom Community (The First Six Weeks)
  - Clothing
  - Buildings
    - Signs
    - Light
    - Water
  - Reduce, Reuse, Recycle
    - Gardening
- Getting Ready for Kindergarten

# Curriculum Night



**September 14<sup>th</sup>**

- Curriculum Night will be conducted virtually for all parents. Teachers will send the link for you to join. You can pick which session you prefer.
- The sessions will be as follows:
- 4:00-4:45 p.m.
- 5:00-5:45 p.m.
- 6:00-6:45 p.m.

# Health and Safety

## Keep your child home if:

- Your child has had a fever within the last 24 hours
- Your child has symptoms of a possible communicable disease (e.g., redness of the eyes, sore throat, headache, abdominal pains or diarrhea, rash, vomiting)



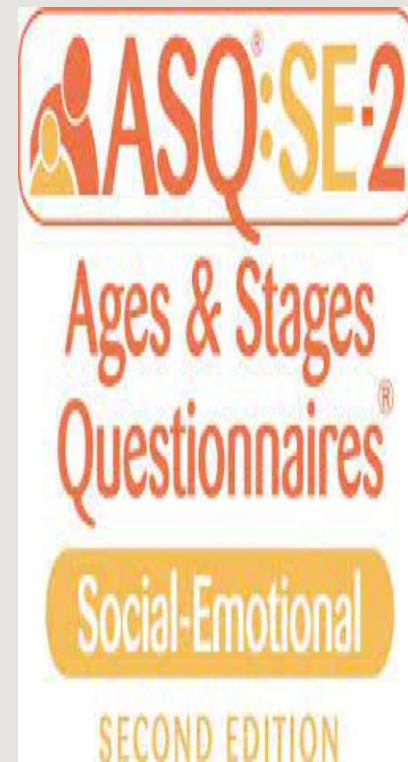
Children must be totally symptom free and medication free for 24 hours before returning to school.

If your child becomes ill while in our care, we will call you and ask you to come and pick him/her up within 1 hour. If you cannot pick your child up, you are responsible to have a reliable emergency person to come in your place.

**\*Covid kits are always available on request. Please ask your classroom educators if you would like additional kits\* 2023-2024 school year**

**Ages and Stages Questionnaire (ASQ-3)  
&  
Ages and Stages Questionnaire: Social and Emotional (ASQ:SE-2)**

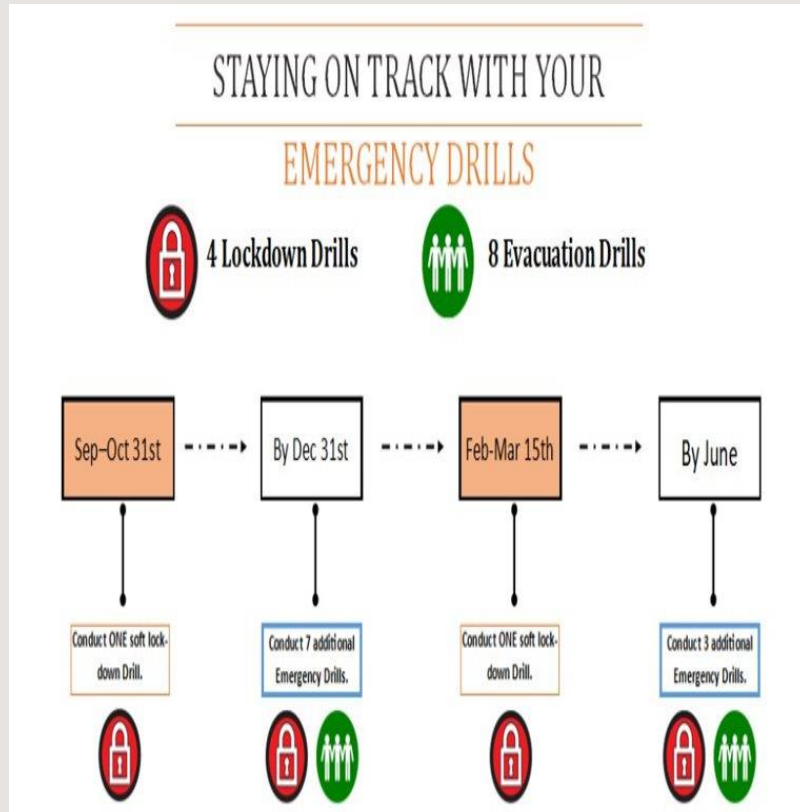
**Due: September 15, 2023**





# Our Safety Protocols

**Safety Drills are conducted at each site.**



- Evacuation Drills—An alarm sounds and everyone in the building evacuates silently in single file.
- Lockdown Drills—An announcement alerts the students to stay where they are and remain quiet. Staff will shut the lights, lock the door and cover the door window.
- Shelter In Drills - An announcement directs students and staff to continue with business as usual. Exit doors are locked. No one exits or enters the building.
- Lockdowns—In an event of a real emergency, staff will shut the lights, lock the door and cover the door window. Students will remain quiet and secure a place in the classroom where they cannot be seen.



# Our Daily School Schedule

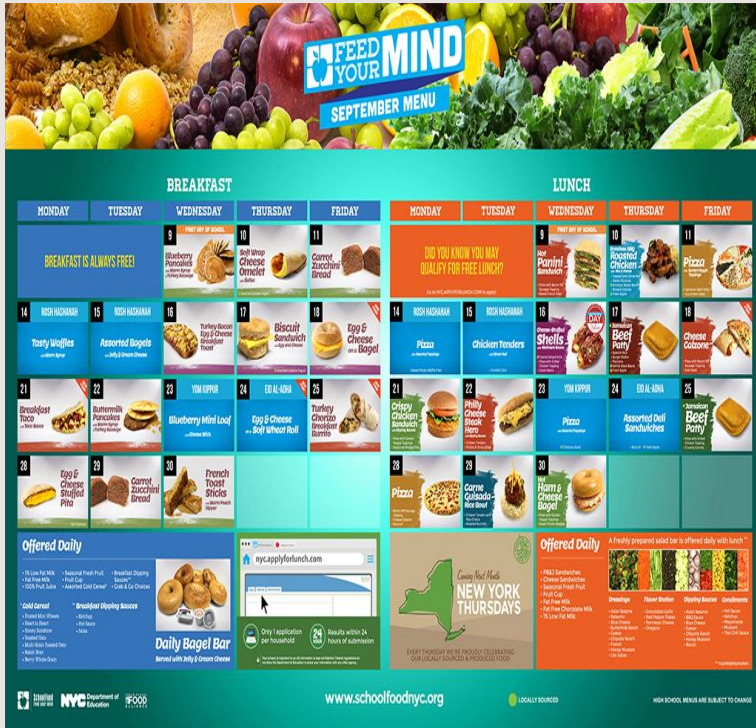
## Daily Schedule

- Arrival
- Breakfast
- Morning Meeting
- Topic of the day
- Interest Area Time
  - Lunch
- Gross Motor Play
  - Rest
- Large Group
- Interest Area Time
  - Snack
- Afternoon Meeting/Debrief
  - Dismissal



# Arrival & Dismissal

- Students school day is from 8:10am-2:30pm
- Students will be greeted by school staff each day in their designated location and will follow the same protocols for dismissal
- Be on time for arrival and dismissal promptly at assigned times
- If you are late this will affect other classes
- **All sites are closed at 2:30pm**
- Always bring proper identification with you when coming to the school buildings
- Emergency blue cards must be updated if any change is going to occur



# Mealtimes

- Free individually served breakfast and lunch is provided
- Meals meet dietary guidelines: (*Meals are not Kosher or Halal*)
- Students can choose to bring meals from home
- Snack Time - Parents provide healthy snack
- Family Style (individually portioned food) meals to encourage conversations and independence - meal times are instructional





# Family Engagement

Family engagement is the most effective strategy to increase your child's academic achievements. We see you as experts in your child's lives. Therefore, it is important for us to work closely together throughout the year to discuss your child's progress and ways we can help your child further. All staff are available daily to meet with you virtually or in person. Tuesday afternoons are specifically dedicated for parental engagement.

- **Weekly Newsletter**
- **Parent Teacher Conferences**
- **Questionnaires & Surveys (ASQ-3 and ASQ-SE)**
- **Facebook/Twitter/School Website for Updates and Photos**
- **Monthly Parent Zoom Meetings with Dr. Goldstein, Principal**
  - **Parents are invited throughout the year for different celebrations and shows in person and via zoom**
- **D30 Pre-K centers utilizes the REMIND App to communicate with families as well as email**





# School Administration & Parent Meeting



**WEDNESDAYS AT 9:30AM**

**September 13, 2023**

**October 18, 2023**

**November 15, 2023**

**December 13, 2023**

**January 17, 2024**

**February 14, 2024**

**March 20, 2024**

**April 17, 2024**

**May 15, 2024**

**June 12, 2024**



# School Calendar

School Calendar - DOE  
website [schools.nyc.gov](https://schools.nyc.gov)

Check your emails daily for important  
updates and notifications!

Please sign up for our REMIND app for  
important updates

Follow us on Twitter @D30Prek and  
Facebook (bottom of every newsletter)

Instagram - New this year

School website: [District30prekcenters.com](https://District30prekcenters.com)

# Remind App:



PS 78: ps784k

Q397 : q3974k

Q389 3K : q3893k

Q389 4k : q3894k

Q972 3K : q9723k

Q972 4K : q9724k



# District 30 3K/ Pre-K Centers Parent Association Council (PAC)

- Committee of Parents who collaborate to make our centers the best they can be!
  - Plan and host special events for students and families
  - Membership is open to all parents and family members
  - Meetings are held via Zoom monthly
- \*\*\* New this year: Volunteer to be a class parent\*\*\*





# What is PAC?

- The PAC serves as a resource for parents of the District 30 3K/Pre-K students to come together to discuss:
- Enrichment activities for our students
- Extracurricular gatherings and activities to build community among the students, families and educators
- Fundraising opportunities
- Monthly meetings, agendas, notes, attendance sheets
- Co-Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer, volunteer

# School Supplies

- Lunchbox for healthy snack
- Backpack
- Blanket
- Crib sheet (optional -we do supply cot sheets)
- Water bottle (optional)
- Complete change of clothes (socks, underpants, shirt, pants) labeled with your child's name - in a large Ziploc baggie



# Together Is Better, Together As One



Together  
is a Wonderful  
place to be

