Village Academy's
November 2025
Virtual PTA/Title I Meeting

Monday, November 17, 2025 at 6:30pm

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Agenda

- Chairperson for Title 1
- Community resources,
- Pantry information
- Mr. Herring (Parent Information)
- VA Upcoming Events
- Dr Lee School Wide Announcement

Chairperson Title 1



We are look for a Chairperson for Title 1. If you are interested in more information, OR, you would like to become the Village Academy New Chairperson Title 1.

PLEASE contact >>>

Shanay Ellis-McKay PTA President

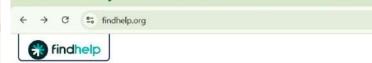
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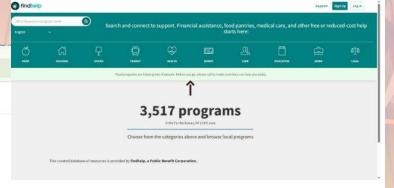
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Great Website Tool:







Help is available in your neighborhood

Findhelp can connect you with local food pantries and meal programs. You can also find resources for housing, financial assistance, health care, and more.



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FindHelp.org

STH/ Migrant resources

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- Immigrants and Public Safety
- Immigrants and Workforce Development/Financial Empowerment
- Immigrants and Education
- Immigrants and Wellness

For more information:

Resources for Immigrants

For services and Programs in Far Rockaway & Other

Communities

https://www.findhelp.org/



Food Store Deal:



Amazon \$25 Shopping List

Food Pantries Far-Rockaway Area and other communities:

https://ww.findhelp.org/food/food-pantry--far-rockaway-n y?cursor=10&limit=10





Food Giveaway:

Hi VA Family! Turkey & Holiday Essentials Giveaway on Saturday, 11/22 starting at 10:30am just for Village Academy Families!

RSVP by filling out the Google Form https://forms.gle/NNYUPAZ983EmUARm9

Pickup at 10:30am at Food Universe.



ANNUAL TURKEY GIVEAWAY 2025

Standing Together Through Challenging Times

With the ongoing government shutdown and uncertainty surrounding SNAP food benefits, many families in our community are struggling to put meals on the table. The Lionel D. Pickens Foundation is stepping up to ensure no family goes without this Thanksgiving.

FOOD UNIVERSE

32-11 Beach Channel Drive Far Rockaway, NY 11691

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2025 11:00 AM

- Free Turkeys & Holiday Essentials While Supplies Last
- First come, first served no registration required
- · Everyone is welcome

Now more than ever, community matters. Your support helps us reach more families during this critical time.

Visit TLDPF.org to make a donation or sign up to volunteer.

Info@TLDPF.org

TLDPF.org

"When we lift one another, we all rise."



Pantry Information:



- Full Gospel Tabernacle
 361 Beach 42nd Street
 Open Saturday 10:00am -12:00 pm
- First Church of God
 14-25 Beach Channel Drive
 Wednesday 9:30 am 12:00 pm
- Catholic Charities
 434 Beach 54th street
 Thursday 12:00 pm 2:00 pm
- Saint Rose of Lima Church
 130 Beach 84th street
 Tuesday & Friday 10:00 am 11:45 am

Solid Rock SDA Church Pantry

52-05 Rockaway Beach Blvd.

Hours: Tuesday 10:00am - 11:00am

Food Pantries Far-Rockaway Area and other communities: https://www.findhelp.org/food/food-pantry--far-rockaway-n
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Parent Workshops:





Michael Herring
President
516-670-7315/1-800-801-1837
mherring23@gmail.com
www.personaleddev.com

PERSONAL SAFETY & EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Creating Your New York City Schools Account (NYCSA)



NYC Schools Account (NYCSA) is an app that helps families track their child's education. Through NYCSA, families can see their grades, attendance, fitness results, schedule, and more. Support families with creating and managing their accounts via the Family Access Management tool where you can print Authorization Letters.



Overview

NYC Schools Account (NYCSA) is a web-based application that lets you to see your child's academic and biographic information on any computer, phone, or tablet. The application is translated into nine languages other than English. Not only can you track your student's academic process, but you can also view other academic resources to support your student and family.

MyStudent

Track your student's information such as:

- Attendance
- Grades & Report Cards
- Assessments (test scores)
- · Emergency Contact Information

- Transportation
- Individualized Education Program (IEP)
- Digital forms, including the COVID-19 Testing Consent Form

Parent University

Parent University offers a centralized catalog of courses, live events, and activities to help connect with families and support students.

Bullying Reporting Portal

Report bullying incidents to your student's school through the NYCSA application.

How do I create an NYC Schools Account?

There are three ways you can create a NYCSA account. You can either visit your child's school in-person to receive a temporary password, contact your school and verify your identity via teleconference and receive a temporary password, or you can use the Account Creation Code on the letter sent home with your child.

In Person or Online

- 1. Set up an appointment with your child's school.
- Provide a valid photo ID (for example, your passport, your drivers' license, IDNYC), your email address, and your child's 9-digit student ID number, which can be found on his or her report card. If via teleconference, the school will verify the identity of the parent/guardian or eligible student by voice or sight.
- When you create the account at your school or by teleconference, you'll receive a receipt with your temporary password printed on it either in-person or by email.
- Go to https://schoolsaccount.nyc and enter your email address and temporary password. Please note that the temporary password expires in 30 days. You will be asked to create a new password for your account, set up your security questions, and confirm your email address.

Self-Serve

You will need the Account Creation Code that was sent home with your child in a letter. You can also request a letter from your child's school. You will need this code and the child's 9-digit student ID number to create an NYC Schools Account or to add additional children to an existing account.

1. Visit https://schoolsaccount.nyc and select the "Create Account" link found on the login page.





- i-Ready is an online platform that assesses our students' levels in math and reading 3 times each year.
- Students receive individualized instruction based on their personal needs as indicated by their performance on the diagnostic.
- Students are responsible for completing 90 minutes of iReady in both Reading and Math.
- Students should be passing at least <u>2 lessons</u> in each week in both subjects.
- We will continue our i-Ready shout outs and celebrations for students who show progress and our weekly i-Ready SuperStars!!!





- We have i-Ready each morning starting at 7:30 AM
- We also have i-Ready after school Tuesday -Thursday 3:00 4:00 PM.

VA Upcoming Events:

Tuesday, November 18th ~ Moana Broadway Trip

Tuesday, November 18th ~ Spelling Bee and VA Fall Open House (In-Person) 5:30pm

Thursday, November 20th ~VA Family Game Night 4:30-6:30pm

Friday, November 1st "NO SCHOOL" DIWALI Hindu festival of lights

Tuesday, November 25th ~ VA Fall Harvest Luncheon 12:30pm

Thursday & Friday November 27 & 28 ~ Thanksgiving Recess No School

Wednesday, December 3rd ~ VA Day (In-Person) Fall Open House 11am

Thursday, December 4th ~ Senior Cap and Gown Picture Day & School Wide

Tuesday, December 9th ~ VA Virtual Fall Open House 4pm

Thursday, December 11th ~ VA Senior Incentive Trip (Medieval Times)



VA Fall Open Houses



- **What to Expect:**
- ✓ Guided Tours of Our Campus
- ✓ Meet Our Amazing Teachers & Staff
- ✓ Learn About Academic Programs & Extracurricular Activities
- ✓ Q&A Session for Parents & Students
 - We can't wait to meet you!

For More Information & RSVP:
Mrs. Cooper/kkitt@schools.nyc.gov/718-471-6042



Scan the QR Code to fill our our enrollment form



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¡Únase a nosotros mientras damos la bienvenida a las familias y futuros estudiantes para explorar, conectarse y experimentar lo que hace que nuestra escuela sea especial!

Qué esperar:

✓ Visitas guiadas a nuestro campus

✓ Conoce a nuestros increíbles profesores y personal

- Aprende sobre programas académicos y actividades extracurriculares
- Sesión de preguntas y respuestas para padres y estudiantesdents

iEstamos ansiosos por conocerte!

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Escanee el código QR para completar su formulario de inscripción



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Village Academy's Medieval Times 8TH Grade Incentive Trip

Medieval Times

DINNER & TOURNAMENT

149 Polito Ave, Lyndhurst, NJ 07071 https://www.medievaltimes.com/



www.vanyc.org







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Instagram: @villageacademy

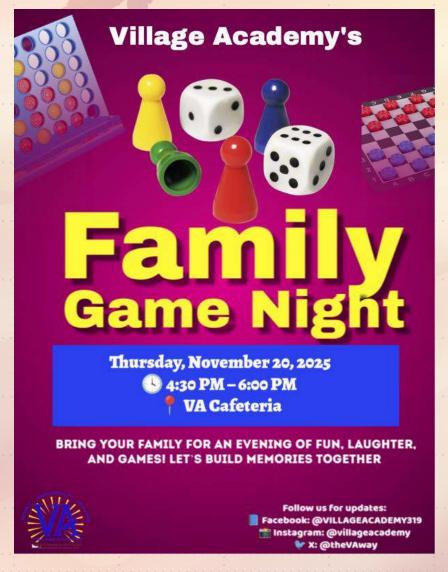


VA Senior 8th Grade Incentive Trip

8th Graders that are Respectful, Responsible, and Excellent will be invited to a special field trip!

Students must come to school on time, wear their uniform, behave in class and the hallways, and not get any fights in school or outside of school.

Upcoming Events





RSVP Below:

https://forms.gle/ AhxywhNMTTr1S qG29

Upcoming Events



Annual Fall Harvest Luncheon

Tuesday, November 25, 2025 12:30am-2:00pm

Please do not bring any dishes containing fish, peanuts, or products made from fish or peanuts.

Use the QR code to let us know what dish you are able to donate....



https://forms.gle/sBHxyiVg7BrzeLgq6







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Almuerzo de Cosecha de Otoño

Martes 25 de

Noviembre de 2025

NO PESCADO NI CACAHUATES! Por favor, no traiga platillos que contengan pescado, cacahuates, ni productos derivados del pescado o de los cacahuates.7



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Village Academy 10-45 Nameoke Street Far Rockaway, NY 11691 718-471-6042 www.yaync.org Please Bring a Dish and Get A Free Turkey!

Let us know what dish your bringing my clicking below...

https://forms.gle/wLQw14f SqY4FZ7WQA

Upcoming Events



VILLAGE ACADEMY'S CAP AND GOWN PICTURE DAY

THURSDAY,
DECEMBER 4, 2025







WE ARE HIRING.....



(CartheVAway)

We are looking for:

School-Aide (1)

You do not need a high school diploma or a GED to work as a school aide in the NYC DOE.

Teacher Assistant (2)

https://www.schools.nyc.gov/careers/other-jobs-in-schools/paraprofessionals-and-substitute-paraprofessionals/paraprofessional-certification



WHY IS ATTENDANCE IMPORTANT?

THE MOST RECENT FEDERAL DATA SHOW THAT IN THE 2020-21 SCHOOL YEAR, AT LEAST 14.7 MILLION STUDENTS NATIONWIDE WERE CHRONICALLY ABSENT. THIS MEANS THAT CHRONIC ABSENCE HAS ALMOST DOUBLED FROM STUDENTS, PRE-COVID-19, WHO WERE MISSING SO MANY DAYS OF SCHOOL THAT THEY WERE ACADEMICALLY AT RISK. CHRONIC ABSENCES — MISSING 10 PERCENT OR MORE OF SCHOOL DAYS DUE TO ABSENCE FOR ANY REASON—EXCUSED, UNEXCUSED ABSENCES AND SUSPENSIONS—CAN TRANSLATE INTO STUDENTS HAVING DIFFICULTY LEARNING AND GRADUATING FROM HIGH SCHOOL.

WE ARE AWARE THAT MANY OF THESE ABSENCES, ESPECIALLY AMONG OUR YOUNGEST STUDENTS, ARE EXCUSED. OFTEN ABSENCES ARE TIED TO HEALTH PROBLEMS, SUCH AS ASTHMA, DIABETES, AND ORAL AND MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES. OTHER BARRIERS INCLUDING LACK OF A NEARBY SCHOOL BUS, A SAFE ROUTE TO SCHOOL OR FOOD INSECURITY MAKE IT DIFFICULT TO GO TO SCHOOL EVERY DAY. IN MANY CASES, CHRONIC ABSENCE GOES UNNOTICED BECAUSE SCHOOLS ARE COUNTING HOW MANY STUDENTS SHOW UP EVERY DAY RATHER THAN EXAMINING HOW MANY AND WHICH STUDENTS MISS SO MUCH SCHOOL THAT THEY ARE FALLING BEHIND AND THIS IS WHERE VILLAGE ACADEMY IS TRYING TO BRIDGE THE GAP!



Attendance Matters

- We need your help getting the students to school!
- School starts at 8:00am and core classes like English, Math, Science, and History are in the morning too so make sure your student doesn't miss out!
- As of right now, the overall school's attendance is 92.5%. Our school attendance goal is 95%. We can do it if we all help the students!

Perfect Attendance Challenge Party! We keep track of classes that have perfect attendance. When they have a certain amount then they receive a pizza party!









Perfect Attendance Party for November!





CCNY





The Child Center works to engage youth and families in every aspect of the school community and offers a variety of services and support from school-based mental health wellness centers that make mental health an integral part of students' education to targeted attendance outreach, which is proven to significantly increase high school graduation rates.

Ms. Mary
Community School Director

Mr. Angeles
Youth Advocate

Contact: 929-456-9899





YMCA At Village Academy

Melanie Zayas : Program Coordinator

Phone Number: 347-497-9746

Email: mzayas@ymcanyc.org

Office Hours: 11am-2pm





-We offer Academic support, Art, Life skills, SEL Learning, Book Club, Game Room, High School, College and Career Exploration and Snack

We are sending home 2 slips, one is a family manual form, and the other is an allergy emergency form. If your child has an allergy please send as soon as possible. We do not carry or administer medication. We will also be sending home schedules and conduct agreements in the next few days.

-Questions and Answers







Link for Letter To The Parents
https://acrobat.adobe.com/id/urn
:aaid:sc:US:72c8983d-9f1f-400fbed2-e489299b71cf



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William Bailey, Assistant Principal

Sylvia Harris, Assistant Principal

Date: November 10, 2025

Parent Notice: School Policy on Fighting, Horseplay, Bystanders, Recording, and Instigation

Dear Families,

Student safety and a positive learning environment are nonnegotiable at our school. Fighting, horseplay that can lead to harm, encouraging or instigating violence in person or online, or recording and sharing violent incidents will not be tolerated under any circumstances. If an incident involves one or more of our students — whether it occurs on school grounds, during school-sponsored activities, on school transportation, or off school grounds — the school will investigate and students may be subject to disciplinary consequences.

What we expect

- · Fightingandphysicalviolence arenottolerated.
- Horseplay,roughhousing,and playfightingareprohibited because they can quickly escalate
- into real conflict or injury. Students must not instigate, encourage, or provoke fights in person.
- Students must not spread rumors, threats, or messages online or in person that provoke, instigate, or escalate conflict; this includes texts, social media posts, group chats, or any digital messaging.
- Students must not be passive bystanders who enable conflict. Walking away and finding a trusted
- adult is the required response. Students must not record, live stream, or share videos or photos of
- fights or violent incidents on any device or platform.

Examples of prohibited behavior

- Pushing, hitting, or any physical attack.
- Rough housing, play fighting, or any horse play that could cause harm.
- Shouting, taunting, or egging someone on to start a fight.
- Creating, sharing, or forwarding rumors, threats, taunts, or messages intended to provoke a fight
- or target a student.
 - Using social media, texting, or group chats to coordinate, encourage, or inflame physical
- · confrontations.
- Standing nearby and doing nothing while a fight occurs.
 Using a phone or other device to record, post, or share footage of a fight.



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Consequences

We will investigate all incidents and enforce consequences consistently. Students who are found to have instigated a fight in person or online, acted as active bystanders (encouraging or facilitating violence), engaged in horseplay that escalates into harm, or recorded and/or distributed images or videos of a fight will receive disciplinary consequences that may include:

- · Removal from class or supervised spaces for the day of the incident.
- After school or in-school, restorative consequence or suspension, depending on severity and prior
- Confiscation of devices used to record or to disseminate unlawful or prohibited activity; devices will be returned to parents/guardians after any disciplinary process.

 Requirement to participate in restorative practices, counseling, or behavior contracts.

 Notification to law enforcement when required by law or when the safety of students or staff is at

Reporting and response procedures

- · Students and families should report incidents immediately to a teacher, school staff member, or
- the main office.
- Reports should include any relevant digital evidence when available, such as screenshots,
- messages, or links.
- Staff will separate involved students, provide medical attention if needed, and begin an investigation.
- We will contact families of all students directly involved and of those who recorded, shared, or helped spread content.
 - Students who record, share, or digitally instigate incidents will be identified and are subject to the same investigative and disciplinary process as others involved.

Scope and jurisdiction

- This policy applies to conduct on school property, at school-sponsored events, on school
 transportation, and to off-campus conduct involving our students when such conduct endangers
 others, materially disrupts the school environment, or otherwise falls within the school's
 disciplinary authority.
- Off-campus digital conduct that materially disrupts the school environment, targets students or staff, or contributes to violent incidents will fall within the school's disciplinary authority and may result in school consequences.



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Aviso para las familias Política escolar sobre peleas, bromas peligrosas espectadores grabaciones e instigación

Estimadas familias,

La seguridad de los estudiantes y un ambiente de aprendizaje positivo son innegociables en nuestra escuela. Las peleas, las bromas peligrosas que puedan causar daño, el alentar o instigar violencia en persona o en línea, y la grabación o difusión de incidentes violentos no serán toleradas bajo ninguna circunstancia. Si un incidente involucra a uno o más de nuestros estudiantes —ya sea que ocurra en el recinto escolar, en actividades patrocinadas por la escuela, en el transporte escolar o fuera del plantel— la escuela investigará y los estudiantes pueden enfrentar consecuencias disciplinares.

Qué esperamos

- Nose toleranlas peleasnila violenciafísica.
- Queda prohibida labromas peligrosas, el juego bruscoylas peleas de juego porque pueden
- escalar rápidamente en conflictos realesocausarlesiones.
- Los estudiantes no deben instigar, alentaroprovocarpeleasenpersona.
- Los estudiantes no deben difundir rumores, amenazasomensajesen línea o en persona que provoquen, instiguen o agraven conflictos; estoincluyetextos, publicaciones en redes sociales, chats de grupo o cualquier mensajería digital.
- Los estudiantes no deben ser espectadorespasivosquefacilitenelconflicto. Alejarse y buscar a un adulto de confianza es la respuesta requerida.
- Los estudiantes no deben grabar, transmitirenvivonicompartirvideos o fotos de peleas o
 incidentes violentos en ningún dispositivooplataforma.

Ejemplos deconductaprohibida

- · Empujar, golpear o cualquier ataque físico.
- Juego brusco, peleas de juego o cualquierbromaspeligrosasquepuedan causar daño.
- Gritar, provocar, burlarse o incitar a alguienainiciarunapelea.
- Crear, compartir o reenviar rumores, amenazas, burlasomensajes destinados a provocar una pelea o a atacar a un estudiante.



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- · Usar redes sociales, mensajes de texto o chats de grupo para coordinar, alentar o inflam ar
- · confrontaciones físicas.
- · Permanecer cerca sin intervenir mientras ocurre una pelea.
 - Usar un teléfono u otro dispositivo para grabar, publicar o compartir imágenes o videos de una pelea.

Consecuencias Investigaremos todos los incidentes y aplicaremos consecuencias de manera consistente. Los estudiantes que se determine que instigaron una pelea en persona o en línea, actuaron como espectadores activos (alentando o facilitando la violencia), participaron en bromas peligrosas que escalaron en daño, o grabaron y/o distribuyeron imágenes o videos de una pelea recibirán consecuencias disciplinarias que pueden incluir:

- · Retiro de clase o de espacios supervisados por el día del incidente.
- Consecuencia restaurativa dentro de la escuela o suspensión, según la gravedad y los incidentes previos.
- Confiscación de dispositivos utilizados para grabar o difundir conductas ilícitas o prohibidas; los dispositivos serán devueltos a los padres/tutores después del proceso disciplinario. Obligación de participar en prácticas restaurativas, consejería o contratos de conducta. Notificación a las autoridades cuando la ley lo exija o cuando la seguridad de estudiantes o personal esté en riesgo.

Procedimientos de denuncia y respuesta

- Estudiantes y familias deben informar los incidentes de inmediato a un docente, miembro del
- personal escolar o a la oficina principal.
- Los reportes deben incluir, cuando estén disponibles, pruebas digitales relevantes como capturas
- de pantalla, mensajes o enlaces.
- El personal separará a los estudiantes involucrados, brindará atención médica si es necesario y dará inicio a una investigación.
- Nos comunicaremos con las familias de todos los estudiantes directamente involucrados y de quienes hayan grabado, compartido o ayudado a divulgar el contenido.
 Los estudiantes que graben, compartan o instiguen digitalmente incidentes serán identificados y estarán sujetos al mismo proceso investigativo y disciplinario que los demás involucrados.
 Alcance y jurisdicción
- Esta política se aplica a la conducta en la propiedad escolar, en eventos patrocinados por la
 escuela, en el transporte escolar y a la conducta fuera del campus que involucre a nuestros
 estudiantes cuando dicha conducta ponga en peligro a otros, altere de manera material el
 ambiente escolar o, de otro modo, entre dentro de la autoridad disciplinaria de la escuela.
- La conducta digital fuera del campus que altere materialmente el entorno escolar, ataque a
 estudiantes o personal o contribuya a incidentes violentos estará sujeta a la autoridad disciplinaria
 de la escuela y puede resultar en consecuencias escolares.

We need your support

- 1) Have your child come straight to school and come straight home.
- 2) Add tracker to your child's phone so you know if they are in the school or at the store.
- 3) Have your child buy snacks the day before or buy for the week so they do not need to go to the store.
- 4) Make sure your child goes straight home.
- 5) Make sure you have Kinvo and we have your e-mail so you receive any changes to after-school.
- 6) Track your child walking home or pick them up.
- 7) Get a list of all of your child's close friends and their parent phone numbers.
- 8) Check your child's phone often and report any group chats to the school and delete.





UNPACKING THE BACKPACK: TRAUMA, ACES, & CLASSROOM SUPPORT

Laura Sophocleous LCSW,LMFT,CASAC Northwell Health – SBHC Village Academy

November 17, 2025

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