

Good morning YECA Families!

Holiday spirit is in the air at YECA!



Warm regards,

Principal Krempa

YORK EARLY COLLEGE ACADEMY'S

12 DAYS OF SPIRIT

DECEMBER 8 - 23

Monday, December 8th Crazy Socks Show off your most festive or crazy socks.	Tuesday, December 16th Grinch Green Day Everyone dresses in all-green!
Tuesday, December 9th Holiday Hair, Don't Care From Santa hats to reindeer antlers or fuzzy earmuffs, students can wear holiday-themed or winter hats.	Wednesday, December 17th Winter Around the World Culture Day! Our favorite day, but in the winter!
Wednesday, December 10th Character Winter Wonderland Dress up as a character from a favorite holiday movie or winter classic, like the Grinch, Frosty the Snowman, or an elf.	Thursday, December 18th Festive Flare Day Add any holiday-themed accessories, such as tinsel, lights, or jingle bells, to your everyday outfit.
Thursday, December 11th Polar Pajama Day Wear pajamas for a cozy day at school.	Friday, December 19th Gingerbread Day Dress as a gingerbread person or wear brown, white, and candy-colored accessories.
Friday, December 12th Frosty Flannel Friday Everyone wears their coziest flannel shirts and scarves, channeling a comfy winter cabin vibe.	Monday, December 22nd Disney Day Dress as your favorite Disney character!
Monday, December 15th Candy Cane Day Come dressed in red and white stripes or other candy-cane-inspired colors.	Tuesday, December 23rd Snowed-In Sweater Day Wear the ugliest or most outrageous holiday sweater you can find.

Please review this email for the following:

- 1. YECA Family Guidebook*
- 2. Calendar, Save the Dates*
- 3. YECA News / Action Items*
- 4. Parent Resources / Opt-In Opportunities*
- 5. Helpful Links / Resources*

1. YECA Family Guidebook

Did your family complete the YECA Family Guidebook survey yet?











If not, click the link below!

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeNbSOqf97UewYojjh-j-c9rbWKb9Ss_gL77yrCgwHn3DG_oJtw/viewform?usp=sharing&ouid=116530319803870859313

2. December Calendar, Save the Dates



<i>Date</i>	<i>Grades</i>	<i>Save the Date</i>
<i>Monday, December 8</i>	ALL	🧦🧦🧦 Day 1 of 12 Days of Spirit: Crazy Socks
<i>Tuesday, December 9</i>	ALL	🎀🌲 Day 2 of 12 Days of Spirit: Holiday Hair Don't Care
<i>Wednesday, December 10</i>	ALL	🧊❄️ Day 3 of 12 Days of Spirit: Character Winter Wonderland
<i>Thursday, December 11</i>	ALL	🧸💤 Day 4 of 12 Days of Spirit: Polar PJ Day
<i>Friday, December 12</i>	ALL	🧣❄️ Day 5 of 12 Days of Spirit: Frosty Flannel Friday
<i>Monday, December 15</i>	ALL	❤️💖 Day 6 of 12 Days of Spirit: Candy Cane Day
	York College	📝➡️ Last Day of Classes
<i>Tuesday, December 16</i>	ALL	💚😬 Day 7 of 12 Days of Spirit: Grinch Green Day

(York College Final Exam Week)	PSAL	 Boys Basketball Home Game 4:30pm
Wednesday, December 17 (York College Final Exam Week)	ALL	 Day 8 of 12 Days of Spirit: Winter Around the World
	ALL	 Winter Show!
Thursday, December 18 (York College Final Exam Week)	ALL	 Day 9 of 12 Days of Spirit: Festive Flare Day
Friday, December 19 (York College Final Exam Week)	ALL	 Day 10 of 12 Days of Spirit: Gingerbread Day
	York College 11th Grade	 TGIF: Pizza, Puzzle and Playlist
Monday, December 22	ALL	 Day 11 of 12 Days of Spirit: Disney Day
	Grades 11&12	 Trip to World of Ice
Tuesday, December 23	ALL	 Day 12 of 12 Days of Spirit: Snowed-In Sweater Day
Wednesday, December 24- Sunday January 4	ALL	 YECA and York College CLOSED (Winter Recess)

3. YECA News/Action Items

York College Campus 11th and 12th Grade: Updates

- **TGIF: A Day for JUNIORS – Friday, December 19 Physical Education Building**
Juniors, get ready for games, music, pizza, and fun with friends, teachers & staff! Let's celebrate and connect—don't miss it. **Be sure to fill out the survey** if you plan on attending and would like pizza.



- **12th Graders Scholarship Opportunity : Queens Borough President Scholarship Opportunity for Seniors**

The Office of the Queens Borough President and the **African American Heritage Committee** are excited to announce scholarship awards for graduating high school seniors pursuing post-secondary education. Eligible applicants must be **Queens residents**.

Students Apply online: <https://forms.gle/cBQSFWCbaJ3MgZrG6>

Deadline: January 9, 2026, by 12:00 p.m.

Applications must include an **official transcript** (email to scholarship@queensbp.nyc.gov or fax to 718-286-3134).

Recipients will be notified by **February 6, 2026**. Don't miss this chance to support your child's academic journey!

4. Opt-In Opportunities

Parent Resources

[December 2025 Food Court Menu With Halal Option \(H\).pdf](#)

[Empowering Strong and Healthy Students: The NYCPS School Wellness Policy](#)

Student Resources



Virtual On-Demand Tutoring

Take advantage of virtual on-demand tutoring/homework help! Tutoring is available **Monday through Friday, from 4:00–8:00 PM**. Tutors are available in multiple languages and can support all subject areas and grade levels.

To book a session, complete the sign-up form [here](#):

👉 <https://form.jotform.com/252785670951165>

After submitting your request, a tutor will contact you with a link to join your virtual session. You can also watch this short [video tutorial](#) to see how to sign up.



¡Tutoría Gratuita a Pedido y Ayuda con las Tareas para York Early College Academy!


PRACTICE se complace en ofrecer tutoría gratuita a pedido y asistencia con las tareas para los estudiantes de York Early College Academy.

Detalles clave:

- 📅 **Cuándo:** Lunes a viernes, 4-8 pm, a partir de Octubre 14 del 2025 a Mayo 15 del 2026
- 🕒 **Horario:** Las sesiones se pueden programar con hasta 24 horas de anticipación.

Cómo acceder a nuestros servicios: simplemente utilice el enlace que se proporciona a continuación o escanee el código QR con su teléfono inteligente para completar el formulario de programación. Una vez que haya enviado el formulario, recibirá una confirmación por correo electrónico con el enlace de la reunión de Google para la sesión. 📧 **Nota importante:** Los correos electrónicos del DOE no son compatibles para la programación de sesiones

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Sobre PRACTICE

- ★ 35,000 estudiantes atendidos
- ★ Con sede en la ciudad de Nueva York
- ★ Organización reconocida a nivel nacional
- ★ Más de 750 aspirantes a docentes capacitados
- ★ Tutores con experiencia real en la escuela

4. Helpful Links / Resources

2025-2026 Guidebook for Families

IXL - Sign In

Your scholar has access to this online program at home! With skills that match what they're learning in their classes and insights into their progress, IXL is a great resource to supplement your scholar's learning experience.

Jupiter Grades Log-in

Jupiter Grades Parent Quick Start Slides

NYC School Bus App

NYC Schools Account

- [NYC Schools Account \(NYCSA\) set up guide](#)
- If you assistance with your NYCSA, please reach out to our Parent Coordinator Ms. Perry at lperry5@schools.nyc.gov.

- **NYC Schools Account Portal- How to reset your child's password**

You can reset your student password easily by following these instructions:

1. Click on **Settings**.
2. Click on **Student Password**.
3. Select the child whose password you want to update.
4. Enter a new password. Your password must:
 - Contain between 8–32 characters.
 - Contain at least one number (0–9).
 - Contain at least one lowercase letter (a–z).
 - Contain at least one uppercase letter (A–Z).
5. Retype the new password.
6. Click on **Save**.
7. That's it! Your password has been reset.

NYC Teenspace, powered by **Talkspace**, offers NYC teens ages 13–17 virtual therapy with a licensed therapist at no cost. Teens can connect to a licensed therapist for ongoing support and/or access online mental health exercises to complete on their own. Teens can sign up for this program independently by following these [steps](#).

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[PTA Zoom Link](#)

2025-2026 PTA MEETING DATES

[https://zoom.us/j/99487611681?](https://zoom.us/j/99487611681?pwd=A2asXcuzPqCGDtUNJ5RbylC4vaVeR4.1)

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- September 15
- October 27
- November 17 (In-person)
- December 15
- January 12
- February 9
- March 16
- April 20
- May 18
- June 15 (In-person)



[Respect for All Handouts](#)

[SORA](#)

Students can access thousands of ebooks and audiobooks, for FREE!

1. Download the Sora app from your app store, or go to <https://company.overdrive.com/k-12-schools/discover-sora/nyc/>
2. Enter setup code **NYCSCHOOLS**
3. Tap “Sign in using New York City Department of Education” button
4. Sign-in using your Student Account ID & password.

[Staff Directory](#)

Please see our staff directory with email addresses. While we encourage you to reach out to staff members, we ask that you allow staff up to 3 school days to respond to emails. If it is an emergency situation or you have made several attempts to reach a staff member and they have not responded, please email or call our Parent Coordinator, Ms. Perry.

Testing Calendar

<i>Date</i>	<i>Grade</i>	<i>Exam</i>
<i>Tuesday, January 20th</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>English Language Arts Regents Exam</i>
<i>Tuesday, March 10th</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>PSAT</i>
<i>Wednesday, March 25th</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>SAT</i>
<i>Wednesday, April 14th</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>PSAT</i>
<i>Thursday, April 16th & Friday, April 17th</i>	<i>6, 7, 8</i>	<i>NYS ELA (computer based)</i>
<i>Monday, May 4th & Tuesday, May 5th</i>	<i>6 & 7</i>	<i>NYS Math (computer based)</i>
<i>Tuesday, June 9th</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>Chemistry Regents</i>
<i>Wednesday, June 10th</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>Algebra II Regents</i>
<i>Wednesday, June 17th</i>	<i>8</i> <i>10</i>	<i>Algebra I Regents Global Regents</i>
<i>Thursday, June 18th</i>	<i>8</i> <i>9</i>	<i>Biology Regents Earth & Space Regents</i>
<i>Monday, June 23rd</i>	<i>9</i> <i>10</i>	<i>US History Regents Geometry Regents</i>

Uniform Company- [Flynn O'hara](#)

All scholars from Grades 6 - 10 are required to wear the appropriate YECA attire, as outlined below and can be found in York Early College Academy's program handbook. Our uniform policy is as follows:

- **Your choice of shirts:**
 - Blue Uniform Polo **or**
 - Gray T-Shirt **and/or**
 - Sweater with school logo **and/or**
 - Fleece with school logo
- **Your choice of bottoms.**

- Bottoms can be bought from any store, and must be appropriate for the educational setting. We recommend jeans, skirts no shorter than your knees, loose fitting pants, and minimal to no rips.
- **Gym** - Gray YECA P.E Shirt and pants appropriate for physical education such as sweatpants or mesh shorts.

YECA App

The YECA App is a great way to view all of YECA's updates and access important links right at your fingertips! It can be downloaded onto iPhones and Androids. Please utilize this wonderful resource!



OUR SCHOOL HAS AN APP!

Make sure to turn on notifications to keep up-to-date with all latest news from York Early College Academy



ANDROID APP ON Google play Download on the App Store

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School App Guide For Parents

- 1 Login**
 - When prompted, **select Parent/Guardian** to personalize your experience.
 - Enter your **phone number** to log in.
- 2 View Your Child's Info and School Updates**
 - Home** - The latest news, updates, and social media posts from your school
 - Calendar** - School events, important deadlines, and days off
 - Contact** - School phone, address, staff directory
 - Resources** - Important school info, policies, and forms
 - Apps** - One-tap access to the tools your child's school uses
 - Profile** - Your child's info, test scores, scanned assignments, marking period grades, and PBIS rewards.

Check the app regularly to stay involved in your child's academic journey.

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