

Good morning YECA Families!

Happy New Year! As we welcome 2026, I extend my heartfelt wishes to you and your loved ones for a year filled with health, happiness, and success.

On **Thursday, January 22nd at 8:00 am**, you are invited to attend a breakfast with myself, AP Olarte, and AP Reece. This is an opportunity to ask questions, share feedback, and make sure your voice is heard. Please sign up using the registration form [HERE](#). Students will also have an opportunity to participate in *Snack & Chats with Principal Krempa* during Period 5 lunch throughout the month of January. Sign-ups for Snack & Chats will be posted on my office door, so students can choose a time to join the conversation!

Lastly, this month's PTA meeting is next **Monday, January 12**. As requested, here is the zoom meeting information for easy access below:

<https://zoom.us/j/99487611681?pwd=A2asXcuzPqCGDtUNJ5RbyIC4vaVeR4.1>

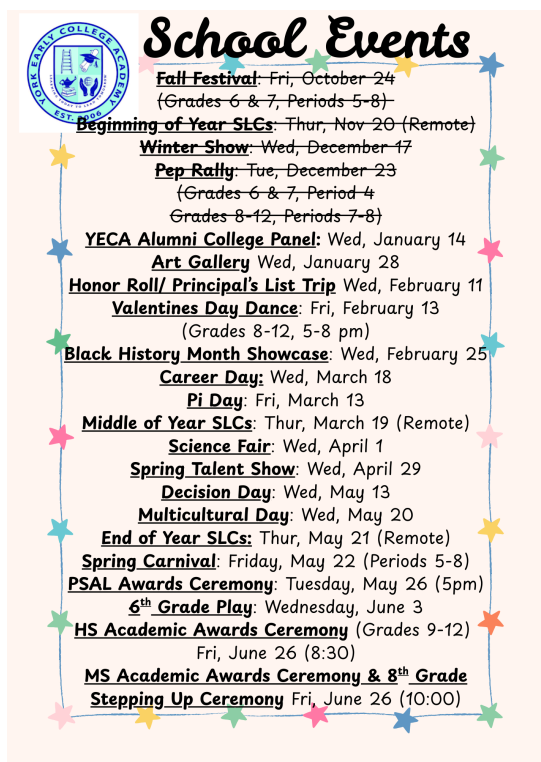
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Looking forward to seeing you there!

Warm regards,

Principal Krempa



The graphic is a vertical calendar titled "School Events" in a large, stylized font. It features a list of school events with their dates and details, framed by a decorative border of colorful stars. The events listed are:

- Fall Festival:** Fri, October 24 (Grades 6 & 7, Periods 5-8)
- Beginning of Year SLCs:** Thur, Nov 20 (Remote)
- Winter Show:** Wed, December 17
- Pep Rally:** Tue, December 23 (Grades 6 & 7, Period 4; Grades 8-12, Periods 7-8)
- YECA Alumni College Panel:** Wed, January 14
- Art Gallery:** Wed, January 28
- Honor Roll/ Principal's List Trip:** Wed, February 11
- Valentines Day Dance:** Fri, February 13 (Grades 8-12, 5-8 pm)
- Black History Month Showcase:** Wed, February 25
- Career Day:** Wed, March 18
- Pi Day:** Fri, March 13
- Middle of Year SLCs:** Thur, March 19 (Remote)
- Science Fair:** Wed, April 1
- Spring Talent Show:** Wed, April 29
- Decision Day:** Wed, May 13
- Multicultural Day:** Wed, May 20
- End of Year SLCs:** Thur, May 21 (Remote)
- Spring Carnival:** Friday, May 22 (Periods 5-8)
- PSAL Awards Ceremony:** Tuesday, May 26 (5pm)
- 6th Grade Play:** Wednesday, June 3
- HS Academic Awards Ceremony:** (Grades 9-12) Fri, June 26 (8:30)
- MS Academic Awards Ceremony & 8th Grade Stepping Up Ceremony:** Fri, June 26 (10:00)

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!













































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2. Calendar, Save the Dates

Looking forward: January Calendar

*** Wear college swag on Wednesdays & Fridays! ***

<i>Date</i>	<i>Grades</i>	<i>Save the Date</i>
Friday, Jan 2	York College 12th Grade	First Day of Winter Session
Monday, January 5	York College 11th Grade	WLWD Report to York by 8:30am 1st Day In Person
Wednesday, January 7	ALL	Wear College Swag!
Friday, January 9	ALL	Wear College Swag!
Monday, Jan 12	ALL	SLT Meeting (5:00-6:00 pm) PTA Meeting (6:30-8:00 pm) https://zoom.us/j/99487611681?pwd=A2asXcuzPqCGDtUNJ5RbyIC4vaVeR4.1 Meeting ID: 994 8761 1681 Passcode: 178812
Wednesday, Jan 14	ALL	Alumni College Panel
	ALL	Wear College Swag!
Thursday, Jan 15	11th Grade	Trip to Xanadu Roller Skating
Friday, Jan 16	YECA Building	End of Marking Period 2
	8d	College Trip to Adelphi
	ALL	Wear College Swag!
Monday, Jan 19	ALL	Martin Luther King Jr. Day (YECA and York College Closed)

Tuesday, Jan 20 <u>Regents Week</u> <i>No classes for Grades 9 & 10</i>	YECA Building	  Beginning of Marking Period 3
	7th Grade	 Trip to Bowl360
	10th Grade	  ELA Regents Exam
	Re-Take	   Regents Administrations: Biology & Chemistry
Wednesday, Jan 21 <u>Regents Week</u> <i>No classes for Grades 9 & 10</i>	Re-Take	   Regents Administrations: US History, Geometry & Algebra
	ALL	   Wear College Swag!
Thursday, Jan 22 <u>Regents Week</u> <i>No classes for Grades 9 & 10</i>	Re-Take	    Regents Administrations: Global History & Algebra II
Friday, Jan 23 <u>Regents Week</u> <i>No classes for Grades 9 & 10</i>	YECA Building	  Report Cards Available to Families on NYCSA
	Re-Take	    Regents Administrations: Global History & Algebra II
	ALL	   Wear College Swag!
Monday, Jan 26	YECA Building	 No Students (Teacher PD Day)
	York College 11th & 12th Graders	  First Day of Spring Semester
Tuesday, Jan 27	YECA Building	 Bulletin Board #3 Due
Wednesday, Jan 28	YECA Building	 Art Gallery (Room 331)
	8D	   Trip to Adelphi University
	ALL	   Wear College Swag!
Friday, Jan 30	8F	   Trip to Adelphi University
	ALL	   Wear College Swag!

3. YECA News/Action Items

Midterm Exams

It's time for Middle of Year Assessments!





- ★ All scholars will take the Middle of Year Reading & Math Assessments. This measures your child's grade levels in Reading and Math.
- ★ If your scholar is taking a course attached to New York State Assessment, they will be taking a

midterm that is designed to be a “practice” exam. These exams measure how your child would do if they take the assessment right now.

To get the most accurate assessment of how your scholar would perform and how teachers can support their progress, please encourage your scholars to try their best on their middle of year assessments. (Eat a good breakfast, get a good night’s rest and try your absolute best!) **It is expected that scholars actively study for their midterm exams so we can measure their progress and determine individualized next steps for your scholar’s academic success!**

Important York College Campus 11th & 12th Grade January Updates

Families, please be sure to regularly check the [January 11th and 12th graders Calendar](#), along with Google Classroom and student email, for important updates and assignments.

January 2026				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Please check google classroom DAILY for links to meetings, times, and updated information! 11th Grades for WLWD workshops arrival Group 1 arrive at 830am and Group 2 at 930am In Room 1M06			1 <i>Happy New Year</i>	2 <i>FIRST DAY VIBES</i> 12 th grade Virtual Winter College Session 11 th grade No Class
5 12 th grade Virtual Winter College Session 11 th grade Workshop a YORK	6 12 th grade Virtual Winter College Session 11 th grade Virtual Workshop	7  GYM @ YECA	8 12 th grade Virtual Winter College Session 11 th grade Workshop a YECA	9 12 th grade Virtual Winter College Session 11 th grade Workshop a YORK
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19  MLK DAY York & YECA Closed	20 12 th grade Virtual Winter College Session 11 th grade Regents Week No Classes or Workshops	21 Regents Week No GYM	22 12 th grade Virtual Winter College Session- Last Day 11 th grade Regents Week No Classes or Workshops	23 12 th grade Virtual Winter College Session- Final 11 th grade Regents Week No Classes or Workshops
26 <i>FIRST DAY VIBES</i> Spring Semester First Day of Classes 11 th grade SAT Prep 12:30pm 2pm a YORK	27 Spring Semester Classes	28  GYM @ YECA	29 Spring Semester Classes 11 th grade SAT Prep 12:30pm 2pm a YORK	30 Spring Semester Classes

Paid Internship Opportunity: Apply Now for the 2026 NYC School Construction Authority Summer Internship Program!

The application window is **January 2 – March 6, 2026**. This is an amazing chance to gain hands-on experience this summer!

What you’ll need to apply:

- ★ An up-to-date **resume**
- ★ **Official high school transcript**
- ★ **SIP Recommendation Form** (completed by a teacher or counselor)

Interviews will take place **February 17 – mid-March**, and selected students will work from **July 6 – August 14, 2026**. Visit the [SCA website](#) to apply.

2026 HIGH SCHOOL SUMMER INTERNSHIP WITH THE NYC SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY

The School Construction Authority designs and constructs safe, attractive and environmentally sound public schools for children throughout NYC. We are dedicated to building and modernizing schools in a responsible, cost-effective manner while achieving the highest standards of excellence in safety, quality and integrity.



ONLINE APPLICATION OPENS JANUARY 2ND - MARCH 6TH

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

- Six-week paid internship from July 6th through August 14th
- Internship areas include: **Architecture, Engineering, Business Administration, Marketing, Real Estate, Construction Administration, and related areas**
- Participants are matched with an SCA department or partner company in NYC, based on their career interests and skills
- Participants gain training, work experience and career guidance from industry experts to build skills for the construction field
- Participants attend weekly career trainings
- Participants earn **\$17/hour**, Monday–Friday, 9 AM–4 PM (30 hours/week)

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- NYC public high school student
- Good academic standing
- Must be available for the entire program duration
- Strong written, verbal, and interpersonal skills
- Involvement in school/community activities preferred
- Working knowledge of MS Office is a plus

HOW TO APPLY

- Submit your online application at www.nycsca.org or by scanning the QR code below
- Must submit a current resume and complete transcript
- SIP Recommendation Form (available on the SCA website) must be completed by a teacher or school counselor and submitted directly to SIP

IF SELECTED

- Must have valid unexpired government-issued identification and eligibility to work in the US
- Age-appropriate working papers (if born after July 6th, 2008)

SELECTED APPLICANTS WILL BE EMAILED FOR INTERVIEW BY FEBRUARY-MARCH

FOR MORE INFORMATION SCAN THE QR CODE OR VISIT:
www.nycsca.org/Careers/Internship-Program



Email: SCAinternships@nycsca.org
Phone: (347) 231-0010
Location: 25-01 Jackson Avenue, LIC, NY 11101



Seniors:

From January 2 through January 26, seniors will be on remote asynchronous learning. In-person classes will resume at the start of the spring semester on January 26. Please note that Work-Based Learning continues during this time, and attendance is required for all scheduled activities. It is important that you check Google Classroom regularly.

Juniors:

The January schedule for juniors looks different. Some days will be in-person, while others will be remote, depending on the activity. Please help your student carefully track which days they are expected to attend in person and what they are participating in each day. [The calendar link](#) is live and updates in real time. Any schedule changes will be reflected there first, so please check it regularly. **January 5th we are In Person at York College**

(Reminders) 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**. Don't miss this chance to support your child's academic journey!

- ★ **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**.

4. Opt-In Opportunities / Resources

[JFKR AAA Spring 2026 - Cohort 8.pdf](#) (Registration is open until January 17 or until capacity is reached)



Become an A.A.A. Scholar!

The JFK Redevelopment Aviation and Aeronautics Academy at CUNY York College (JFKR AAA) aims to expose local youth in grades 1-12 to science, technology, engineering, and math concepts related to aviation, aeronautics, and airport management, as well as to introduce them to leadership and career opportunities in the industry.

Now entering its third year, the program continues to grow and offer students valuable experiences in aviation and STEM. Classes will be offered three times a year (Fall, Spring, and Summer). Fall and Spring K1-12 sessions will be on four Saturdays (9am to 3pm). Four and six-week-long Summer classes will be Monday-Friday (9am to 3pm) for grades 6-12.

A JFKR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE

Dates of Spring 2026 program: Saturdays (9am - 3pm) 2/28, 3/7, 3/14, 3/21	Registration for the Spring 2026 Session: is open from December 17 - January 17 or until we reach capacity.
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To apply visit the York College website:
<https://www.york.cuny.edu/aviation/aviation-and-aeronautics-academy>

Opportunities available for qualified York College undergraduate and graduate students! Scan the QR code to apply.





[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

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



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](#).
[Operoo](#)

PTA Zoom Link (This is a recurring meeting)
<https://zoom.us/j/99487611681?pwd=A2asXcuzPqCGDtUNJ5RbylC4vaVeR4.1>
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2025-2026 PTA MEETING DATES

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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</i> <i>Global Regents</i>
<i>Thursday, June 18th</i>	<i>8</i> <i>9</i>	<i>Biology Regents</i> <i>Earth & Space Regents</i>
<i>Monday, June 23rd</i>	<i>9</i> <i>10</i>	<i>US History Regents</i> <i>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!



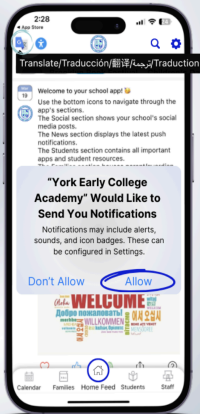
OUR SCHOOL HAS AN APP!

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



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School App Guide For Parents

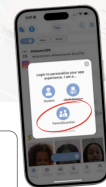
1 Login

- 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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