

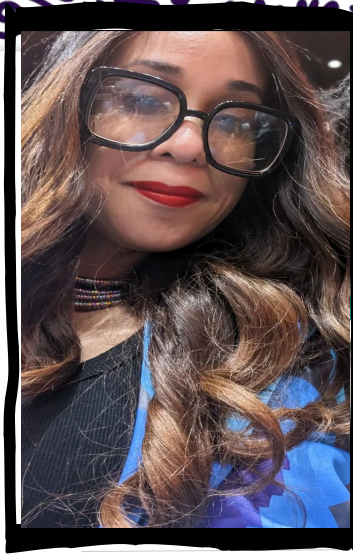


Parent Leadership Council  
Parents are the Secret Sauce to our School

WELCOME  
*family & friends*

**VIRTUAL PLC MEETING**  
**MAY 29th, 2025**





**Ms. Melody Pink**  
Parent Coordinator &  
Liaison to the Parent Leadership  
Council (PLC) at Williamsburg  
Charter High School (WCHS)  
Email: [mpink@thewcs.org](mailto:mpink@thewcs.org)

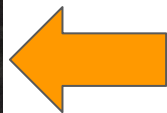
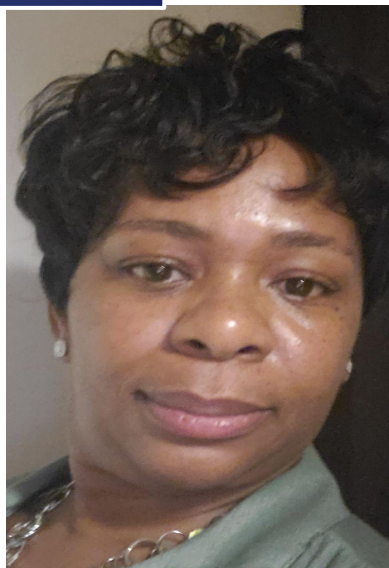




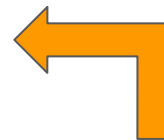
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# MEET OUR PARENT LEADERSHIP COUNCIL (PLC) MEMBERS FOR 2024- 2025 SCHOOL YEAR



**OUR PLC PRESIDENT  
MONIQUE BOWENS**



**OUR PARENT  
COORDINATOR / PLC  
LIAISON MS. PINK**







Parent Leadership Council



**OUR PLC SECRETARY  
DENISE TURNER**



**OUR PLC PARENT FUNDRAISING  
COORDINATOR CATHERINA DAVIUS**



**OUR PLC TREASURER  
LUCIA MARTINEZ-  
JIMENEZ**





### *A Mother Is...*

A mother is the salt of the earth...  
A mother is the first teacher at birth...  
A mother is that stone that will melt...  
A mother is in a class by herself...  
A mother is that tear that never shows...  
A mother is that love that overflows...  
A mother is the base where we all run...  
A mother is the warmth of the sun...  
A mother is the tried and true...  
A mother is that special you!!!

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TO ALL THE MOTHERS OF WCHS & WCHS STAFF,

WE CELEBRATE ALL OF THE  
FABULOUS WCHS MOTHERS,  
REMEMBER MOTHER'S DAY IS  
EVERYDAY. WISHING YOU DAYS FILLED  
WITH HAPPY MOMENTS. WE ARE  
THANKFUL FOR ALL THE WOMEN WHO  
NURTURE US, TEACH US, GUIDE US,  
WHO OFFER SUPPORT AS WE JOURNEY  
THROUGH LIFE AND WALK ALONGSIDE  
US. THANK YOU FOR SELFLESSLY  
GIVING LIKE YOU DO. HAPPY MOTHER'S  
DAY!  
WARMEST REGARDS,  
YOUR PLC & MS. PINK



### *My Mother, My Jewel*

A mother is a jewel to treasure,  
her love and kindness know no measure.  
She can turn a frown into a smile,  
she helps you go that extra mile.  
I won't believe there is another  
to give the love that comes from mother.

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# **PLC VIRTUAL MEETING AGENDA**

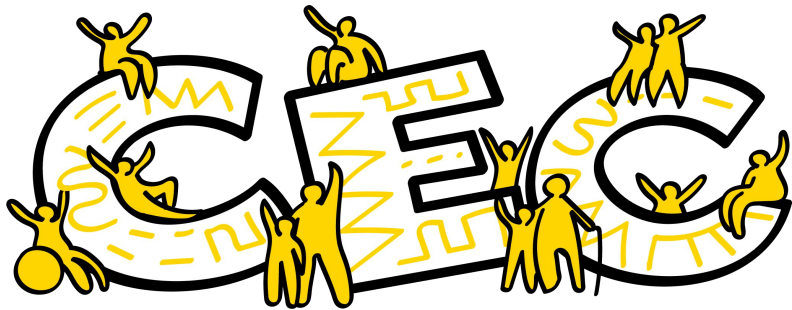
- **WELCOME FROM MS. PINK**
- **PLC AGENDA- PLC MEMBER**
- **VIRTUAL HOUSEKEEPING RULES**
- **PRESENTATION FROM NEW YORK CIVIC ENGAGEMENT COMMISSION (CEC): MR. JUSTIN USHER**
- **SCHOOL UPDATES FROM PRINCIPAL VALERIE JACOBSON**
- **PRESENTATION FROM YOUTH BRIDGE: MS. KIM ROBINSON**
- **COMMERCIAL BREAK FROM BROOKLYN NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES: Mr. HECTOR RAMOS**
- **COMMUNITY RESOURCES AND POSITIVE VIBES- MS. PINK**
- **PLC MAY RAFFLE**
- **COMMUNITY TABLE-PLC MEMBERS & MS. PINK**
- **CLOSING & FINAL REMARKS**



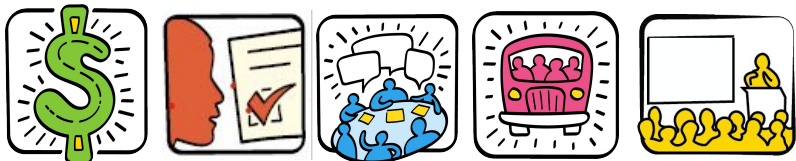


## Quick Virtual Housekeeping

- Please Mute your Screen & Mute your Phones
- Please Do Not Click Present or Hook your Screen to the TV ( It Interferes with the Presentation)
- Please Type your Name, Scholar's Name & Email Address in the Comment Section for Attendance \*\* Families on the phone please email Ms. Pink your name,scholar's name & grade
- Please type any Questions in the Comment Section relating to the Meeting



**NYC** Civic Engagement  
Commission



# CIVIC ENGAGEMENT IS PEOPLE POWER

**OUR PRESENTER:**

**Mr. Justin Usher**

**Brooklyn Community Engagement Specialist  
at the NYC Civic Engagement Commission.**





**NYC**

Civic Engagement  
Commission

**WHO ARE WE?**



# NYC Civic Engagement Commission



- Established by popular vote through a November 2018 ballot initiative that revised the NYC Charter, our city's constitution.
- The first democratically elected commission responsible for restoring civic trust and strengthening democracy by promoting inclusive civic participation.
- Areas of Focus:



the **PEOPLE'S**  
**MONEY**



**VOTER LANGUAGE**  
**ASSISTANCE**



**COMMUNITY**  
**BOARDS**



**PARTNERSHIPS &**  
**EDUCATION**



the **PEOPLE'S**  
**BUS**





the **PEOPLE'S**  
**MONEY**

Participatory Budgeting!



# 4 Phases of “The People’s Money”



1

## Idea Generation (Oct. 11 - Nov. 22)

New Yorkers create ideas for how to spend a portion of the city budget.



2

## Project Development (January - February 2025)

Borough assemblies select the projects for the final ballot

[Watch the Video!](#)



3

## Voting (May - June 2025)

New Yorkers vote online or in-person and choose which projects get funded



4

## Project Implementation (July 2025 - June 2026)

The winning projects get funded and are implemented the following year





## What Is “The People’s Money”?

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- **Participatory budgeting (PB)** is a democratic process in which community members decide how to spend part of a public budget.
- **“The People’s Money”** is New York City’s first citywide PB process in which all NYC residents 11 years and older decide how to spend a portion of the city’s budget.

## Path to Success: Positive Money Habits

### Center for Justice Innovation: Brownsville Community Justice Center

#### Brooklyn

Through 15 in-person workshops and six individualized coaching sessions led by peer educators using a credible messenger model, participants will gain budgeting, saving, and financial planning skills

Check out the winning projects from this past year by going to [participate.nyc.gov](https://participate.nyc.gov)



## Home Repair Liaisons for Older Adults

Elite Learners, Inc.

### ***Brooklyn***

Elite Learners, Inc. will deliver a 4-week after-school training program in East Flatbush, Canarsie, and Flatbush. Youth participants will learn home repair skills and work alongside older adults in the community. The program will include mentorship, job readiness training, and stipends for participants, emphasizing service and community building.


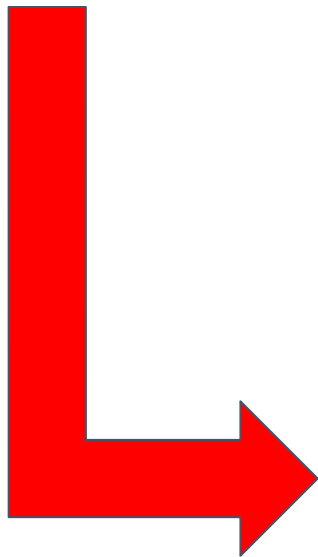
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the **PEOPLE'S**  
**MONEY**



**YOU PICK  
WE  
PAY!**


CITY-WIDE PROGRAM

THE PEOPLE'S MONEY


NEW YORK CITY'S PARTICIPATORY BUDGETING

Decide how to spend part of the city's budget!

Vote for projects by June 25th



**CEC** NYC Civic Engagement Commission



the **PEOPLE'S**  
**MONEY**

[on.nyc.gov/pb](https://on.nyc.gov/pb)

The NYC Civic Engagement Commission is excited to announce the upcoming vote phase for *The People's Money*, starting May 14<sup>th</sup> through June 25th. We want to tell you about 3 upcoming volunteer opportunities. Please fill out a form & visit this site for more details:

<https://www.participate.nyc.gov/> Earn \$250.00 upon Completion. **Must be 18 years of age and**

### **older. 1. PB Vote Ambassador**

a. A PB Vote Ambassador is a volunteer who conducts in-person outreach – canvassing/door-knocking, tabling at events, etc. – in communities throughout New York City to increase voter participation in *The People's Money* from May 14th through June 25th. Email: **CEC Outreach Director, Barbara Williams, [bawilliams@civicengagement.nyc.gov](mailto:bawilliams@civicengagement.nyc.gov)**

### **2. Flagship Volunteer**

a. The CEC will host 5 flagship events: one in each borough to promote *The People's Money*. Flagship volunteers will help support CEC staff as both vote-getters and messengers. Please contact CEC Senior Advisor, **Benjamin Solotaire, at [bsolotaire@civicengagement.nyc.gov](mailto:bsolotaire@civicengagement.nyc.gov)**

### 3. Voter Language Access Volunteer

a. A Voter Language Access Volunteer is a bilingual person who helps New York City voters with limited English proficiency understand the voting process, their rights, and available interpretation services. Please contact CEC Outreach Director, Barbara Williams, at [bawilliams@civicengagement.nyc.gov](mailto:bawilliams@civicengagement.nyc.gov)

If you are interested in any of the above volunteer opportunities please fill out this [CEC Volunteer Form](#) as soon as possible. We look forward to hearing from you soon! P.S. Here's a video to watch: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vlnej4Om-GI>

#### Contact Information:

NYC Civic Engagement Commission

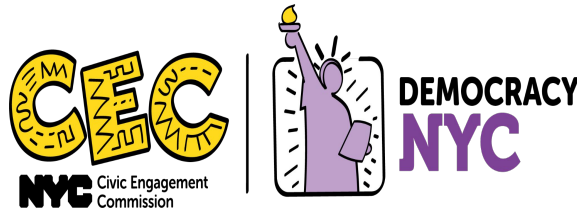
**Justin Usher**

Brooklyn Community Engagement Specialist

[Justusher@civicengagement.nyc.gov](mailto:Justusher@civicengagement.nyc.gov)

O:(212) 788-2633

Website | @NYCCEC





SAVE THE DATE

# JUNETEENTH

## FREEDOM DAY CELEBRATION

JOIN US FOR A DAY OF FESTIVITIES,  
INCLUDING MUSIC, FOOD, AND ACTIVITIES  
THAT HONOR THIS IMPORTANT DAY.

MUSIC

ENTERTAINMENT

BBQ

**JUNE 21, 2025**  
**2PM-6PM**

STERNBERG PARK:  
BOERUM ST. AND LORIMER ST.,  
BROOKLYN, NY

FOR PARTNERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES OR  
INFORMATION CALL: 636-851-9692



COME & JOIN US FOR OUR  
**SUMMER FUN**  
**YOUTH FAIR**  
**SATURDAY, JULY 12**  
**LEONARD STREET BETWEEN**  
**BOREUM ST. AND MONTROSE AVE.**  
**1:00PM - 5:00PM**  
**FREE ENTRY**

**SAVE THE DATE**  
**Free Food, Live DJ and**  
**Entertainment for all ages**

**For more information:**  
**Call: 636-851-9692**

# Thank You!



@NYCCEC | [nyc.gov/cec](https://nyc.gov/cec)



# *School Announcements from Principal Jacobson*



WILLIAMSBURG  
CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL



- Senior Prom 5/30 at Terrace on the Park

- Senior Final Exams and Biology/Earth Space/Geo Final Exams 6/2, 6/3, 6/4

- Eid al-Adha No School- 6/5

- Clerical Day No School for Students - 6/6

- Biology & Earth/Space Science Regents Exams- 6/10

- Geometry Regents Exam - 6/11

- Senior Awards Dinner - 6/13 @6pm

- Final Exams 6/12-6/13; Make-Ups 6/16

- Regents Exams -6/17-6/18

- No School 6/19- Juneteenth

- Regents Exams 6/20-6/25

- Last Day of School & Graduation- 6/27



IMPORTANT



## Regents Review

June 2025 Regents Exam Dates	
Tuesday June 17, 2025- Wednesday, June 25, 2025	
Regents Review Sessions	Tuesday, March 11th - Friday, June 13, 2025

### Spring Regents Review Schedule 3:10-4:10pm

Class	Teacher(s)	Days and Time	Rooms
Algebra	Ahmed	Monday, Tuesday & Thursday, Friday	319
Algebra	Chuang	Monday & Thursday	609
Algebra II	Jin	Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday	617
Geometry	Giscombe N	Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday	522
Chemistry	Solomon	Tuesday	532
Earth Science	Lara	Tuesday & Thursday	425
Biology /Living Environment	Reid	Monday, Tuesday, & Thursday	325
Global History	Mauro	Monday, Tuesday & Thursday	601
Global History (ENL)	Lara	Monday & Friday	330
US History	Burchett	Tuesday & Thursday	613
English	Doody	Monday	411
English	Karoutsos	Thursday	702

## Repaso para los Regents

Fechas de los Exámenes Regents en Junio 2025	
Martes, 17 de junio de 2025 - Miércoles, 25 de junio de 2025	
Sesiones de Repaso para los Regents	Martes, 11 de marzo - Viernes, 13 de junio de 2025

### Horario de Repaso para los Regents en Primavera 3:10-4:10pm

Clase	Maestro(s)	Días y Horas	Aulas
Álgebra	Ahmed	Lunes, martes, jueves y viernes	319
Álgebra	Chuang	Lunes y jueves	609
Álgebra II	Jin	Lunes, martes, y jueves	617
Geometría	Giscombe N	Lunes, martes, y jueves	522
Química	Solomon	Martes	532
Ciencia de la Tierra	Lara	Lunes y jueves	425
Biología	Reid	Lunes, martes, y jueves	325
Historia Global	Mauro	Lunes y martes, y jueves	601
Historia Global (ENL)	Lara	Lunes y viernes	330
Historia de los Estados Unidos	Burchett	Martes y jueves	613
Inglés	Doody	Lunes	411
Inglés	Karoutsos	Jueves	702



# Saturday Regents Review Sign Up Sheet

Saturday, May 31st & Saturday, June 7th, 2025

Earth & Space Science Lab Make-ups/Regents Review

Subject	Session 10am-2:30pm	Room
Earth & Space Science	Ashman	425

Sábado, 31 de mayo y sábado, 7 de junio de 2025

Recuperación de Laboratorios en Ciencia de la Tierra y el Espacio Exterior/Repaso para los Regents

Tema	Sesión 10am-2:30pm	Salón
Ciencia de la Tierra y el Espacio Exterior	Ashman	425

Saturday, June 14th 2025

All Day Regents Review 10AM- 2:30PM

Subject	Session 1 10am-12pm	Session 2 12:30pm-2:30pm	Room Number
ELA	Carenza/Doody	Carenza/Doody	411
ELA ELL SUPPORT	Frank-Ulgen/ Banderia	Frank-Ulgen/ Banderia	424
Algebra	Sharif	Sharif	319
Algebra 2	Jin	Jin	419
Global	Georgiadis	Frost	311
US History	Burchett	Burchett	613
Living Environment	Nunez	Nunez	325
Earth Science	Ibarra-Lara		425
Chemistry	Solomon		532

Music, Pizza, Raffles, Prizes at 12pm!

Sábado, 14 de junio de 2025

Repaso para los Regents todo el Día 10AM- 2:30PM

Tema	Sesión 1 10am-12pm	Sesión 2 12:30pm-2:30pm	Aula
Inglés	Carenza/Doody	Carenza/Doody	411
Inglés Apoyo en Inglés	Frank-Ulgen/ Banderia	Frank-Ulgen/ Banderia	424
Álgebra	Sharif	Sharif	319
Álgebra 2	Jin	Jin	419
Historia Global	Georgiadis	Frost	311
Historia de EEUU	Burchett	Burchett	613
Biología	Nunez	Nunez	325
Ciencia de la Tierra	Ibarra-Larra		425
Química	Solomon		532

¡Música, Pizza, Rifas, y Premios a las 12pm!



# REGENTS EXAM SCHEDULE JUNE 2025

Early Regents Days		JUNE 2025									
June 10 Tuesday	June 11 Wednesday	June 17 Tuesday	June 18 Wednesday	June 19 Thursday	June 20 Friday	June 23 Monday	June 24 Tuesday	June 25 Wednesday	June 26 Thursday	June 27 Friday	
8:15 AM	8:15 AM	8:15 AM	8:15 AM	8:15 AM		8:15 AM	8:15 AM	8:15 AM	RATING DAYS		
Life Science: Biology <i>(for students taking the class this school year)</i>	Geometry	English Language Arts	Global History & Geography II	Juneteenth Holiday Observed		World Language Checkpoint B Exams Spanish French Latin	Physical Setting/ Chemistry	Algebra II	RATING DAYS		
12:15 PM		12:15 PM	12:15 PM	12:15 PM			12:15 PM		RATING DAYS		
Earth and Space Sciences <i>(for students taking the class this school year)</i>		Living Environment	Algebra I	Physical Setting/ Earth Science <i>(Lab Practical Required see information below)</i>			Physical Setting/ Physics		RATING DAYS		

\*\* Students registered for the **Earth Science Regents on Fri., 6/20**, must take the Earth Science Lab Practical on Weds., 6/4 at 1:30pm. If students were absent they must attend the make-up Lab Practical on Mon., 6/9 after school at 3pm in Room 425.

\*\*Estudiantes programados para tomar el **Regents en Ciencias de la Tierra el viernes, 20 de junio**, necesitan tomar la práctica de laboratorio el miércoles 4 de junio a las 1:30pm en sala 425. Si estudiantes están ausente, deben tomar la práctica de laboratorio el lunes, 9 de junio a las 3pm en sala 425.

# Summer School Registration May 21st - May 30th

Summer school registration begins Wednesday **May 21st**. Students who failed one or more classes **MUST** meet with their counselor by **Friday, May 30st** to discuss summer school or an academic plan get back on track. If you plan to attend summer school at Williamsburg Charter High School you must:

- 1) complete a [Summer School Interest Form](#) and
- 2) complete a [Summer School Contract](#)

**We will be offering the following courses during summer school: Math, Science, English, Social Studies and PE. Please see the dates below:**

**Trimester 1 Dates:** Monday July 14th, Tuesday July 15th, Wednesday July 16th, Thursday July 17th and Monday July 21st

**Trimester 2 Dates:** Tuesday July 22nd, Wednesday July 23rd, Thursday July 24th, Monday July 28th, Tuesday July 29th

**Trimester 3 Dates:** Wednesday July 30th, Thursday July 31st, Monday August 4th, Tuesday August 5th, Wednesday August 6th

Below is the contact information for the academic counselors. Please see them ASAP to discuss your plan to get back on track.

9th grade	Ms. Hamilton	bhamilton@thewcs.org
10th grade	Ms. Augustin	gaugustin@ <a href="#"><u>thewcs.org</u></a>
11th grade	Ms. Sales	ssales@ <a href="#"><u>thewcs.org</u></a>
12th grade and 5th Year Seniors	Ms. Chery	nchery@ <a href="#"><u>thewcs.org</u></a>



# Update on Credit Recovery and Summer School Policies for the 2025-2026 School Year

We are currently in the process of updating our Credit Recovery policies for the 2025–2026 academic year.

**CHANGE IS COMING**

## **What is being considered:**

- Credit Recovery only offered to Juniors and Seniors.
- **Grade-Based Eligibility:** Students must have earned a **minimum grade (e.g., 64%)** in the original course to be eligible for Credit Recovery. Students who receive a grade lower than this may be required to retake the full course.
- **Attendance Requirement:** Students who **did not attend the original course** (e.g., due to excessive absences or non-participation) will **not be eligible for CR** and must complete the course during the regular school day or through **summer school**.
- Plans are being made to **extend the length of summer school** to allow adequate instructional time for course completion and mastery of content.

YOU'RE INVITED TO

SixFlags.  
**grad**  
nite

FRIDAY JUNE 6TH

**3PM-3AM**

PRICE:

\$140 per person

Early Bird Special \$130 if paid by Friday, May 23rd

ONLY 50 SEATS

CASH ONLY

**Included:**

Roundtrip bus to/from school

Park entrance

Food/Drinks/Snacks

LOS INVITAMOS A

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VIERNES 6 DE JUNIO

**3PM-3AM**

PRECIO:

\$140 por persona

Oferta especial por reserva anticipada: \$130 si se paga antes del  
viernes 23 de mayo

SÓLO 50 ESPACIOS

SÓLO EFECTIVO

**Incluye:**

Autobús de ida y vuelta hacia/desde la escuela

Entrada al Parque

Comida/Bebidas/Aperitivos



# SENIOR FINALS ARE COMING

June 2nd- June 3rd

Study!

Attend Class!

Ask Questions!

Show what you Know!



## YOUR GRADUATION DEPENDS ON IT!

# School NEWS

YOU'RE INVITED TO THE

## Senior PICNIC



11AM-3PM

## JUNE 12TH



MCCARREN PARK

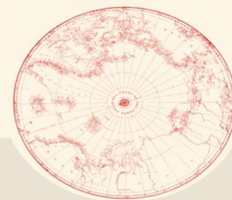
# LAST CHANCE

SCIENCE

REGENTS

Earth & Space Science Lab Make-Up Day & Regents Review

You MUST attend  
if you are missing  
any labs!



The Lab make-up and Review sessions will occur on  
Saturday, May 31, 2025, from 10 am-2:30 pm & on June  
7, 2025, from 10 am-2:30 pm.

Room 425



SENIOR COMMITTEE



CLASS OF 2025

## CAP & GOWN PICK UP

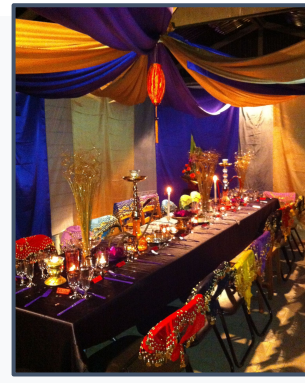
Thursday June 26th

CAP DECORATING PARTY!

11AM-1PM

Come and decorate your  
graduation cap with us!  
Supplies provided!





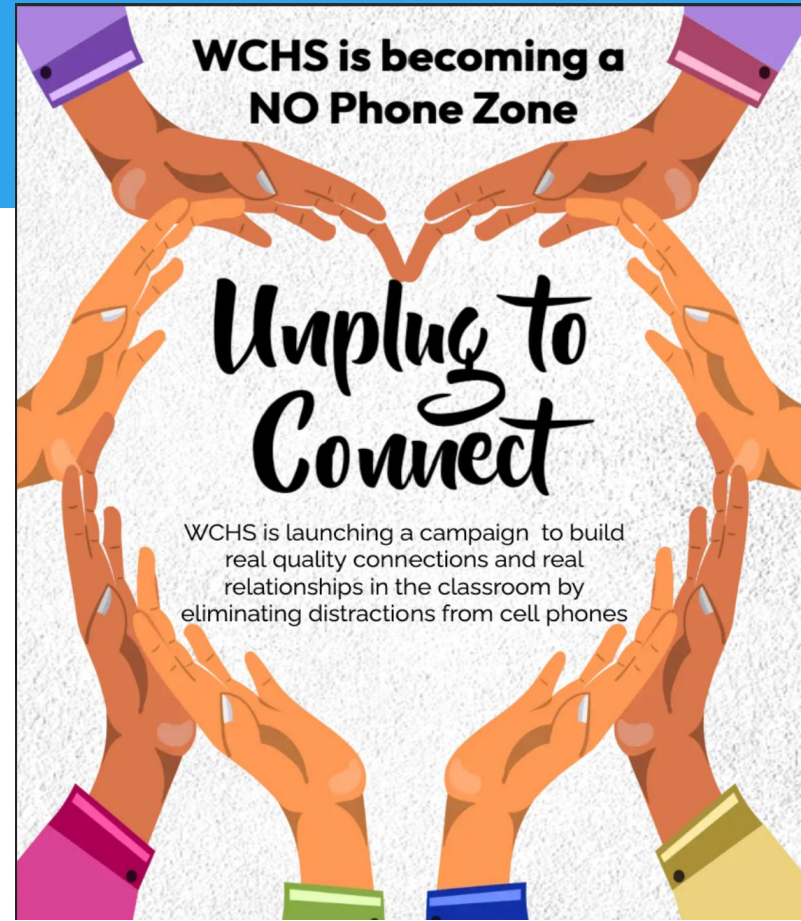
# Cell Phone/Electronics Policy Pilot Reminders

WCHS is a no phone zone.

Non-school electronics are not allowed in the building.

All cell phones must be checked upon entry. Any personal computers, iPads, tablets and other non-school issued electronics are not allowed and will be confiscated and will need to be picked up by a parent.

Students may be required to remove all electronics from their backpacks prior to scanning in.





# Uniform Policy

## "Look Good, Feel Good, Do Good"

Only WCHS Uniform polos, inspirational t-shirts, long-sleeves shirts and WCHS outerwear is allowed. Students must wear black pants or professional length shorts or skirts—no ripped or torn pants, non-black pants or sweats. Shoes must be black, green, white and/or gray.

Non-uniform outerwear must be stored in lockers or they will be confiscated.

If students are out of uniform, parents may be called to bring uniform items or student will be issued loaner items and consequences will be issued as per the Community Covenant.

### CHECK YOURSELF: ARE YOU IN UNIFORM?

#### Tops

Uniform polo, inspiration tees, team uniforms (with sleeves!)



Team uniforms with exposed arms, non-uniform tees, other color tops



#### Layers

Uniform track jacket, uniform pullover, black zip up worn open with no hood



Hoodies, non-black zips, coats



#### Bottoms

Black pants, professional length black shorts and skirts



Ripped or torn pants, non-black pants, athletic shorts or sweatpants



#### Shoes

Green, black, white, or gray shoes in any combination of colors



Sandals, crocs, other color sneakers



SHOW YOUR WOLVERINE PRIDE







***Ms. Kim Robinson,  
Program Director,  
YouthBridge Brooklyn***



# What is YouthBridge-Brooklyn?

We engage promising teens and provides them with the skills & understanding to strengthen their communities. We are committed to teaching teens to appreciate and utilize diversity as an asset for enriching their neighborhoods and New York City as a whole.



**We Make a Difference!**

The YouthBridge-Brooklyn Fellowship engages 10th and 11th graders from diverse backgrounds to learn leadership skills so they can make a greater difference in their communities.



Fellows participate in skill-building workshops and team-based learning opportunities **twice a month** from **5:30pm-7:00pm** from **Fall 2025 to Spring 2026**.

Workshop topics include:

- Advocacy
- Collaboration
- Civic engagement
- Cultural awareness
- Goal setting

**Current 9th and 10th graders, apply at:**  
<https://www.youthbridgeny.org/youthbridgebrooklyn>



**Contact:** Kim Robinson  
**Email:** RobinsonLK@jrcny.org  
**Mobile:** 332-228-4967







## YOUTHBRIDGE TRIPS WITH OUR SCHOLARS

*We took our scholars on various trips to gain knowledge, learn & give back to the community:*

- *Repair the World-volunteering to pack dry food to be delivered at a homeless shelter.*
- *Albany for the Black Latino & Asian caucus Feb. 2025.*
- *Visited Chase Bank for a financial literacy workshop.*
- *Council Member Chris Bank-facilitated a workshop around public housing.*







Contact Me

**Kim Robinson**  
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**[RobinsonLK@jcrny.org](mailto:RobinsonLK@jcrny.org)**  
**332 228 4967**

**And Now it's Time for a  
Commercial Break**



# BROOKLYN NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES

EMPOWERING NEIGHBORHOODS ACROSS BROOKLYN





# MISSION

BNS' mission is to provide the necessary educational and counseling tools, to low- and moderate-income residents (predominantly at or below 80% of Area Median Income) to prepare them to achieve their housing and/or financial goals; providing a solid foundation for them to create and sustain generational wealth.

We provide 'FREE' vital programs and services to low- and moderate-income residents, who without our assistance, may not have access to, or knowledge of, these resources.



# OUR HISTORY

In 1989, Neighborhood Housing Services of NYC and the New York City Department of Housing Preservation and Development (HPD) conducted a feasibility study, and an NHS office was approved for the Bedford-Stuyvesant community in the spring of 1990.

In December 1991, a five year \$100,000 challenge grant was made by Roosevelt Savings Bank and was met by Independence Savings Bank, Emigrant Savings Bank, Rhodebeck Charitable Trust, The Dime Savings Bank of New York and Carver Federal Savings Bank. In 1996, M & T Bank, Fleet Bank, NA and Astoria Federal Savings Bank joined the multi-year funders.

In April 1992, Neighborhood Housing Services of Bedford-Stuyvesant (NHSBS) began its work in the community. In June 1992 a ribbon cutting ceremony and open house was held at the location at 1012 Gates Avenue, in Bedford-Stuyvesant Brooklyn.

On December 31, 2016, NHSBS separated from NHSNYC and became an independent not-for-profit, HUD Certified, 501 ( c ) ( 3 ) organization, doing business as **Brooklyn Neighborhood Services**.



# SERVICES WE OFFER

*The impact of BNS extends beyond individual assistance—it cultivates a community environment where every resident has the opportunity to thrive, contributing to a stronger, more resilient Brooklyn.*

## HUD-CERTIFIED HOUSING COUNSELING

Comprehensive homeownership counseling covers financial management, credit education, mortgage assistance, home shopping and investment protection

## FINANCIAL LITERACY EDUCATION

Boosting financial knowledge, offering lessons in budgeting, retirement planning, and credit management for adults; introduces banking and savings fundamentals for youths 11-17

## NORC OLDER ADULT SERVICES

This program provides tailored support for adults 60+ to age independently at home, including health services from an on-site nurse offering screenings, assessments, and healthcare guidance

## FORCLOSURE INTERVENTION PROGRAM

Provides direct assistance to distressed homeowners in danger of losing their homes to foreclosure. Counselors work directly with bank/servicer to negotiate affordable mortgage modifications

## TENANT SERVICES

Counseling and education to renters to ensure they know their rights and responsibilities, understand their lease terms, know their landlord's rights and responsibilities, Fair Housing rights and how to recognize discrimination.

## EMERGENCY HOME REPAIR PROGRAMS

Conditional Grants up to \$41,250.00 for essential home repairs to prevent hazardous conditions. Covering roof, boiler, stoop, windows, doors, plumbing, electrical work, water main repairs, and accessibility installations



# PROBLEMS WE ADDRESS

*BNS is instrumental in fostering sustainable growth and enhancing the quality of life for its residents. BNS addresses critical local needs by providing HUD housing counseling and other essential services, which are crucial for supporting low- and moderate-income families.*

## HOMEOWNERSHIP BARRIERS

Many potential homebuyers face obstacles such as lack of down payment, poor credit, or insufficient knowledge about the buying process. HUD housing counselors provide the support to help individuals and families become homeowners.

## RENTAL CHALLENGES

Renters may struggle with issues like high rental costs, disputes with landlords, or threats of eviction. Housing counselors can offer advice on tenant rights, negotiation techniques, and resources for legal support, helping to stabilize rental situations.

## COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Many communities suffer from a lack of engagement or feelings of disenfranchisement. BNS fosters community involvement and development via our participation in local projects and events, leading to more vibrant and cohesive communities.

## HOME PRESERVATION

Maintaining a home in NY is a journey, homeowners may face financial challenges that threaten their housing security. Additionally homeowners need the resources to upkeep their properties effectively. We work to prevent the displacement of families and to preserve the integrity and value of homes in our community

# CONTACT US



## Brooklyn Neighborhood Services

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Brooklyn, NY 11233

(Between Herkimer Street & Atlantic Avenue)

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[info@bnscdc.org](mailto:info@bnscdc.org)



@bkneighborhood





*"Strengthening Communities Across Brooklyn"*

## FINANCIAL LITERACY SUMMER 2025 EDUCATION PROGRAM: YOUTH

Brooklyn Neighborhood Services is partnering with Williamsburg Charter High School to bring a six-week summer financial literacy education program. The program will teach students the essentials of personal finance, understanding debt and credit, learn basic money management skills and investing for the future.

Completing the six-week program, we promise that you will end up smarter about money!

### Session Topics will include:

- The Nature of Money
- Budgeting & Savings
- Credit Cards & Debt
- Tracking Money and Expenses
- Financial World of Money and Investing
- Financial Planning for Your Future

**Students who attend ALL sessions, complete assigned activities will be granted with a \$500.00 stipend at the program's completion. Program limited to 25 students.**

**Day One:** Class Introduction & Discussion: What is money?

**Day Two:** The Meaning of Enough and Target Marketing

**Day Three:** Learn about Financial Statements – Net Worth

**Day Four:** Money Tracking and Financial Products

**Day Five:** Field Trip to Federal Reserve Bank of New York (TBA)

**Day Six:** Becoming Financially Intelligent | Course Completion!

For Financial Literacy Program Information:

**Brooklyn Neighborhood Services (BNS)/  
Financial Literacy & Integrity Program**

Contact: Hector Ramos

General: (718) 919-2100



### Financial Literacy Education Youth Program at:

#### **Williamsburg Charter High School**

198 Varet Street  
Brooklyn, NY 11206

#### Six Week Summer Workshop Details:

**Dates:** Tuesday, July 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>,  
August 5<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>

**Times:** 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

**Instructor:** Hector Ramos  
Financial Literacy Instructor  
Brooklyn Neighborhood Services  
hramos@bnsdc.org

**Contact:** Charisse Johnson  
Williamsburg Charter High School  
cjohnson@thewcs.org

**Student Sign Up here:**

**<https://forms.gle/8vehqXdZ9hSniwck9>**





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**And Now it's Time for  
Another Commercial Break**



**WILLIAMSBURG**  
CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL

# **IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM Ms. MARTIN**



**Shante Martin**  
**Grade 12 Academy Leader**  
**Email:**  
**[smartin@thewcs.org](mailto:smartin@thewcs.org)**

# RESOURCES WITH Ms. PINK





New Yorkers 25 to 55 with no degree can now earn a free associate degree in a high-demand field at SUNY community colleges.

## WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR NEW YORK'S FREE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DEGREES?

- ▶ New York residents 25-55
- ▶ No college degree
- ▶ Pursuing an eligible associate degree in a high-demand field
- ▶ Studying full-time or part-time



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## New York now offers free associate degrees for adult learners in high-demand fields, including:

- ▶ Advanced manufacturing
- ▶ Artificial intelligence
- ▶ Cybersecurity
- ▶ Engineering
- ▶ Green and renewable energy
- ▶ Nursing and allied health fields
- ▶ Pathways to teaching in shortage areas
- ▶ Technology



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[suny.edu](https://suny.edu)

Free Degrees for Adults

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# SUMMER AT THE LIBRARY

COLOR EVERYWHERE



JOIN US AT MACON LIBRARY FOR OUR SUMMER AT THE  
LIBRARY KICKOFF! ENJOY EXCITING GIVEAWYS, SPECIAL  
PERFORMANCES, AND SO MUCH MORE!

DATE: JUNE 5, 2025 TIME 11AM- 3PM

**Bklyn**  
Public Library

BROOKLYN PUBLIC LIBRARY  
MACON BRANCH  
561 LEWIS AVE  
BROOKLYN, NY 11233  
718-373-5606

**OBH** One Brooklyn Health

## HEALTH FAIR

*A Day of Fun and Wellness for the Whole Family!*

**Saturday June 7, 2025**  
**Brookdale Hospital Medical Center**  
Rockaway Parkway between Linden Blvd & Church Ave. Brooklyn NY

**11:00am-4:00pm**

**JOIN US**

**Free Health Screenings:**  
Blood Pressure, Glucose, BMI/Obesity, Women's Health,  
Behavioral Health, Dental, Food and Nutrition

Entertainment for the children, giveaways and MORE!

DON'T MISS OUT ON THE FUN!

Vendors please email [communityaffairs@bhmcny.org](mailto:communityaffairs@bhmcny.org)

**FOOD TRUCK AVAILABLE**



**Free**

# ANNUAL HOUSING RESOURCE FAIR



FOR HOME BUYERS | TENANTS | HOMEOWNERS | SMALL LANDLORDS

**SATURDAY  
JUNE 7, 2025**

**10:00AM – 3:00PM**

Brooklyn College  
2705 Campus Road  
Brooklyn, NY 11210

**REGISTER  
TODAY!**



Visit [bit.ly/housingfair2025](https://bit.ly/housingfair2025)  
Email [info@nhsbrooklyn.org](mailto:info@nhsbrooklyn.org)  
Call 718-469-4679

**JOIN US!**

## SEMINARS

- First-Time Home Buyer Orientation
- Applying for Affordable Housing Lotteries
- Resources for Seniors & Caregivers
- Lower Household Expenses: Property Taxes, Utility Bills & More
- Estate Planning & Avoiding Scams
- Maintaining Rental Properties & Managing Tenants
- Mortgage & Grants Showcase
- Landlord & Tenant Rights & Responsibilities

## PLUS!

- Huge exhibit hall & lots of giveaways!

**BEDFORD STUYVESANT RESTORATION CORPORATION**

**PRESENTS**

# DEKALB COMMONS

A NEW 71-UNIT AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECT

Affordable Housing is Coming to Bed-Stuy

Apply at [HousingConnect.NYC.gov](https://HousingConnect.NYC.gov)

Lottery is open until June 9th!



1187 Fulton Street



652 Dekalb Ave



639 Dekalb Ave



This project is brought to you by co-developers St. Nick's Alliance and Bedford Stuyvesant Restoration Corporation. Please note that **BSRC is not involved in the selection of applicants, eligibility requirements or management of lease agreements.**



For full details, eligibility requirements, and to apply, please visit: [housingconnect.nyc.gov/PublicWeb/](https://housingconnect.nyc.gov/PublicWeb/)



All are welcome...  
No ID/names needed!



House of  
Good Deeds  
presents:

Welcome to our  
NEW home in  
Alphabet City!

# JUNE 2025 GOOD DEEDS GIVEAWAY

Thousands of **FREE** clothes, shoes, food,  
houseware items, and **MORE!** Just show up...

**HGD**  
House of Good Deeds  
...people helping people.

Subway: F/J/M to Delancey/Essex (long walk)

Bus: M21 to Ave D or M14 to E.4th

**SUNDAY JUNE 1, 12-5PM**  
**18 AVENUE D, 10009 - NEXT TO JOBS PLUS**  
**(EAST 3RD STREET DRIVEWAY)**

Want to volunteer? Have questions?  
volunteer@HouseOfGoodDeeds.org  
f @theHouseOfGoodDeeds  
Text: 917.325.4548

Volunteers needed



## Discovery Programs for Families

Check out [bbg.org/kids](http://bbg.org/kids) for more!



### First Discoveries

Wednesdays & Fridays | 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Mid-March through early November

Enjoy nature-based stations with your toddler (ages 4 & under) in the Discovery Garden Courtyard!



### Family Discovery Weekends

Saturdays & Sundays | 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Mid-March through early November

Learn about plants and the natural world at hands-on stations led by BBG volunteers. All ages welcome.



### All-Abilities Programs for Kids & Families

Select Saturdays in spring & fall

Program times vary (either 9–11 a.m. or 2–4 p.m.)

Explore the garden at your own pace and participate in multisensory activities at facilitated stations. All ages welcome; **online pre-registration required.**

# Trust The Process



POSITIVE  
VIBES

- Focus on what you can control
- Find lessons in each failure
- Write down what's on your mind
- embrace a growth mindset
- Track your progress
- Celebrate every small win



# Self-love Reminder



Never be afraid  
to put yourself first.

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Proudly be who you  
authentically and  
truly are.

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Always practice doing  
what makes you happy  
and brings you peace.

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POSITIVE  
VIBES





# PLC RAFFLE





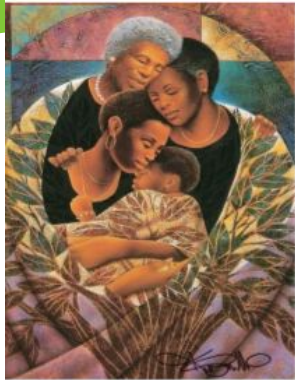
# PARENT LEADERSHIP COUNCIL (PLC)



## MAY Mother's Day PLC Raffle

### We will Raffle (4) \$25 Gift Card

PARENT MUST BE AT THE NEXT **VIRTUAL PLC MEETING** MAY 29th, 2025 @ 6pm TO WIN



**There will be 4 Winners**  
**ENTER NOW !!** Gift Card to AMAZON  
RAFFLE DEADLINE IS: **MAY 27th, 2025**

To enter the Raffle email the PLC at [plc@thewcs.org](mailto:plc@thewcs.org)

Include:

1. Your Full Name
2. Your scholar's Name, Grade & Student ID Number
3. The word "**MOMMA**"



4. **If you do not follow the steps you will not be entered into the raffle , NO EXCEPTIONS!**

**RAFFLES ARE ONLY OPEN TO WCHS CURRENT FAMILIES. PARENT ONLY RAFFLE!**

**Only one entry per family. You must be present VIRTUALLY at the entire meeting for the raffle.**

**If you are not in attendance, another name will be drawn.**

# PLC May Mother's Day Raffle 2025





# COMMUNITY TABLE

Open Parent Discussion



# Thanks!

Do you have any questions?

PLEASE REACH OUT TO US  
IF YOU HAVE ANY  
QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS  
AT: **[PLC@THEWCS.ORG](mailto:PLC@THEWCS.ORG)**

**OUR NEXT PLC  
MEETING WILL  
TAKE PLACE  
VIRTUALLY ON  
JUNE 12th, 2025  
AT 6PM**

