

A Message from the Spackenkill Superintendent



One District, Multiple Paths to Excellence

September 6, 2024

Dear Spackenkill Community,

It is with great excitement that we welcome you back to school! This time of year gives us all a fresh start and the opportunity to grow as students and educators. It has been amazing to see the happy expressions of our new and returning students. There are also new teachers and staff to welcome. Read on to find what we did over the summer and see images from a lively opening week.

Back to School



Above: Students received a warm welcome.



Above: The Superintendent fist-bumps a Nassau student.



Above: Superintendent Fanuele, Assistant Superintendent Lori Mulford, and Principal Lynch welcomed students back to school.



Above: Principal Lynch catches up with a returning student.



Above: Dr. Fanuele opens the door for a group of students.



Above: Students discuss new footwear and more with Principal Lynch and Dr. Fanuele.



Above: Physical Education teacher Carrie Spiegel filled the air with upbeat music.



Above: Mrs. Strapec's second grade class welcomes all Spartans!



Above: Crossing guard Joanne Van Ness and School Resource Officer Steve Doughty greeted families as they returned to school.

Scenes from Summer



Above: Over the summer, our admin team met at BOCES to review district goals. Here, Dr. Fanuele is joined by Ralph Chiumento, Jr., President of the BOCES Board of Education, and Jodi DeLucia, BOCES Deputy Superintendent.



Above, left to right: Spackenkill High School Principal Steve Malkischer, Board of Education Vice President Jeffrey Cohen, and School Resource Officer Steve Doughty at a late summer luncheon for 12-month staff.



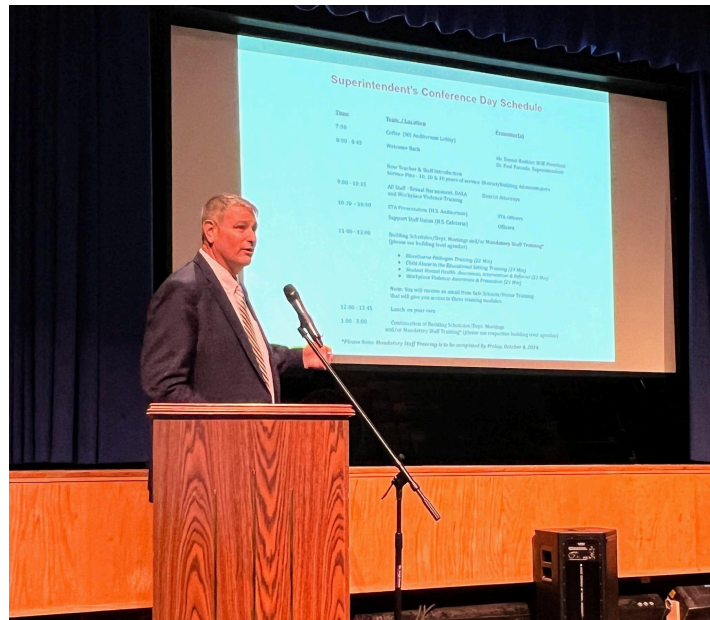
Above: Last week, BOE Vice President Jeffrey Cohen thanked 12-month staff for their hard work this summer getting ready for the 2024-2025 school year.



Above: At our last Board of Education meeting, teacher Lindsay Pescetti was awarded tenure in the foreign language area. Her husband, Michael, was recently appointed as an AIS teacher. They are pictured above with their adorable sons, Lindsay's dad, and teacher Jessie Murphy.

Superintendent's Conference Day

On Tuesday, September 3, Superintendent's Conference Day, district staff gathered in the high school auditorium to welcome new staff and congratulate those who had reached 10- and 20-year milestones in their time at Spackenkill.



Above: Superintendent Fanuele welcomed new and returning staff.



Above: Board of Education President Dan Koehler spoke about the importance of supportive teachers and guidance counselors.

Welcome New Staff

We are happy to welcome new teachers and support staff in our buildings. They are:

District

Josue Abreu, Tech
Ryan Cromwell, Transportation Monitor

Anthony D'Amato, Director of Facilities
William Freer, Maintenance Worker
Amanda Knight, Floating Nurse
Patrick Mascalino, Courier/Bus Driver

Nassau Elementary School

Selina Baker, Teaching Assistant
Cori Embler, School Psychologist (Nassau & Hagan)
Payton Grande, Teacher
Lindsay Mechanic, Teacher
Mary Michalak, Teacher Aide
Kaitlyn Perry, Custodial Worker
Nicole Rapacciuolo, Resident Substitute Teacher

Hagan Elementary School

Emma Ackerler, Resident Substitute Teacher
Laura Galasso, School Social Worker
Emily He, Monitor
Marissa Mylie, Resident Substitute Teacher
Kelli Rueger, Teaching Assistant

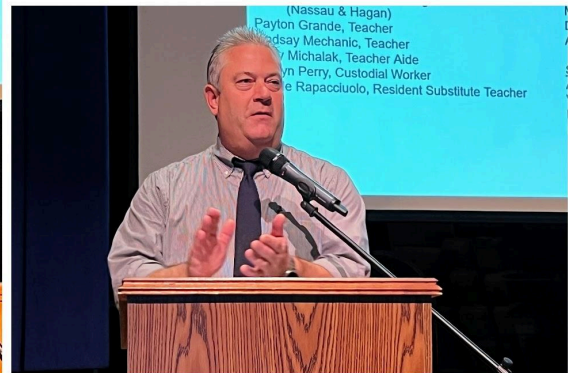
Orville Todd Middle School

Raquel Forte, Monitor
Hayley Moore, Teacher
Theresa Narvesen, Resident Substitute Teacher
Michael Pescetti, Teacher (Todd & Hagan)
Denise Rowe, Secretary
Andy Vlad, Teacher

Spackenkill High School

Amanda Haberkorn, Monitor

Victoria Hunt, Custodial Worker
Matthew Martinez, Custodial Worker
Michelle Noeldechen, Teacher



Above, clockwise from top left: Assistant Superintendent John Farrell and principals Clinton DeSouza, Dan Doherty, Steve Malkischer, and Erik Lynch announced new staff.



Above: New staff gather in the lobby on Superintendent's Conference Day.



Above, left to right: Staff who reached the 10-year milestone this year are Alaina Olschan, Jonathan Shanks, Kristen Gil, and Danielle Scianna. Not pictured are Sharon Dooley-Russo and Dr. Fanuele.



Above, left to right: Staff who marked the 20-year milestone this year are Dawn Nedin, Marissa Kaczynski, Terri Tucci, Melissa Strapec, Kathleen McAteer, Kelly Malet, and Christine Scivolette. Not pictured are Jim Daley and Brett Hasbrouck.

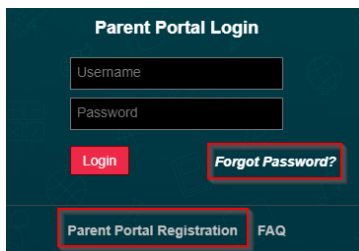
Important Parent Portal News

The Parent Portal provides parents and guardians access to your child's academic information, including report cards and attendance for the current academic year. With a Parent Portal account, you are able to view your student's information at any time with a working Internet connection.

If you are new to our district, you should have received credentials for a Parent Portal account by email when your online registration application was accepted. You must have a valid email address to have a Parent Portal account.

If you do not have an account, parents and guardians should have received an email on Thursday, September 5, with the subject "Your Spackenkill Parent Portal Account." It contains username and temporary password information. Please click [here](#) for instructions to complete the registration process. Once this is done, you can log in to the Parent Portal. You do not need to request an account. ***Please check your SPAM or Junk folder if you do not see the email.***

If you have a Parent Portal account but do not know your Parent Portal login information or if you are unsure if you have an account, please click Forgot Password on the Parent Portal login screen found at <https://parentportal-mhric.eschooldata.com>. This will send you a password reset along with your Parent Portal username. If you do not seem to have an account, you can request an account by clicking on **Parent Portal Registration**.



Parent Portal Login

Username

Password

Login

[Forgot Password?](#)

[Parent Portal Registration](#) [FAQ](#)

For complete instructions on how to use the eSchooldata Parent Portal, please visit the links on our website at https://www.spackenkillschools.org/parents/parent_portal.

If you have any issues accessing your Parent Portal, please contact:

Hagan: Pat.Sample@sufsdny.org

Nassau: Kara.Koehler@sufsdny.org

Todd: Jennifer.Sample@sufsdny.org

HS: Melissa.Thompson@sufsdny.org

OR parentportal@sufsdny.org

Looking forward to a wonderful year ahead!

Sincerely,

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Superintendent of Schools



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