

# 2022-2023 School District Profile

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# 2022-2023 Central Administration

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## Mission Statement/ Graduation Goals

It is the mission of the Eastchester Public Schools to provide a quality education in a safe, stable, and secure environment that fosters mutual respect, promotes the uniqueness of the individual, provides opportunities for student successes, and guides all students intellectually, emotionally, physically and socially.

A graduate of the Eastchester Schools will be:

- ❖ A respectful individual
- ❖ A life-long learner
- An effective communicator

- ❖ A complex thinker and problem solver
- A competent and responsible user of technology

# District Facts and Figures

\*Information as of 8/1/2022

**❖ K-12 Enrollment**: 3,056

Ethnicity K-12

Asian/Other Pacific Islander/ Black/Hispanic/Multi-Racial: 35%

**❖** English Language Learners: 5%

**♦ Students with Disabilities**: 15%

Economically Disadvantaged: 2%

**❖ School District Size:** 3.1 sq. miles

**❖** 2022 Graduation Information

Graduates: 251

Graduation Rate: 97.3% Regents Diploma: 38.7%

Regents Diploma w/ Adv. Des.: 29.9% Regents w/Adv. Des. & Honors: 30.3% Regents w/ CTE Endorsement: 5.6%

Budget Information

**2021-2022 Budget**: \$92,332,000 **2022-2023 Budget**: \$96,208,000

Percent Change: 4.2% Tax Levy Increase: 1.78% \*NYS Tax Cap Compliant

### Our Schools

The Waverly School houses a full time Kindergarten and Grade 1. The developmentally appropriate program is exploratory and "hands on" in nature, designed to promote each child's social, emotional, physical, and intellectual growth. Curiosity and the joy of learning are emphasized in the pursuit to develop life-long learners. Skills, strategies, concepts, and critical thinking are taught to meet the learning needs of all children as they begin their educational experience in Eastchester. Enrollment: ~220 Average K-1 Class Size: 22

Grades 2-5 are taught at the **Anne Hutchinson School** and the **Greenvale School**. The instructional program revolves around the Common Core Standards in all curriculum areas. The curriculum emphasizes critical thinking, communication, problem solving, and the development of strong basic skills. Additional highlights include highly recognized music, art and technology programs, as well as in-depth character education programs that focus on the tenets of the Dignity for All Students Act. Extracurricular activities include numerous after-school clubs.

Enrollment (AH): 433 Average 2-5 Class Size: 22

Enrollment (GV): 492

**Eastchester Middle School** provides a supportive environment to meet the needs of students in grades 6-8. Grade level teams create a challenging academic environment aligned to the Common Core Standards. Students have the opportunity to participate in Regents Earth Science and Algebra in eighth grade. Three foreign languages (French, Spanish and Italian) are also offered. Classes in art, music, health, physical education, and technology enhance students' experiences. Extracurricular activities include interscholastic and intramural sports, various clubs, drama and musical productions, Student Council, and Jazz Co.

Enrollment: 702 Average 6-8 Class Size: 23

**Eastchester High School** is a four-year comprehensive school with an academic program that has been nationally recognized for its excellence by the U.S. Office of Education. The majority of students are enrolled in a college preparatory program and 97% go on to post-secondary studies. Students are offered numerous Advanced Placement (AP) courses in all content areas, as well as participation in the Advanced Science Research program and the WISE internship program. There is a wide array of extracurricular clubs and athletic opportunities, as well as winter and spring concerts, and theater/dance productions to showcase student talent outside of the classroom. A strong emphasis is placed on community service and content-specific field trips that broaden the students' understanding of the curriculum and their global perspective.

Enrollment: 975 Average 9-12 Class Size: 25

# Our Schools - Contact Information

Waverly School (Grades K-1)

Principal: Dr. Vidya Bhat vbhat@eufsdk12.org
Asst. Principal: Eleana De Luna edeluna@eufsdk12.org

Address: 45 Hall Avenue, Eastchester, New York 10709

**Anne Hutchinson School (Grades 2-5)** 

Principal: Dr. Annette Keane akeane@eufsdk12.org
Asst. Principal: Kristen Kumar kkumar@eufsdk12.org

Address: 60 Mill Road, Eastchester, New York 10709

**Greenvale School (Grades 2-5)** 

Principal: Joanna Napolitano jnapolitano@eufsdk12.org Asst. Principal: Caitlin Mondelli cmondelli@eufsdk12.org

Address: 1 Gabriel Rescigno Drive, Scarsdale, New York 10538

Eastchester Middle School (Grades 6-8)

Principal: Madelin LoBue mlobue@eufsdk12.org
Asst. Principal: Jenelle Hindell jhindell@eufsdk12.org

Address: 550 White Plains Road, Eastchester, New York 10709

**Eastchester High School (Grades 9-12)** 

Principal: Dr. Jeffrey Capuano jcapuano@eufsdk12.org
Asst. Principal: Giuseppe DiMaio gdimaio@eufsdk12.org
Asst. Principal: Joseph Gilson jgilson@eufsdk12.org

Address: 2 Stewart Place, Eastchester, New York 10709

K-12 Supervisors of Curriculum & Instruction

K-12 Supervisor of Humanities: Susan Chester schester@eufsdk12.org
K-12 Director of Athletics, PE and Health: Brad Gitlin bgitlin@eufsdk12.org
K-12 Supervisor of STEM: Irene "Minnie" Iannuzzi iiannuzzi@eufsdk12.org

## Who We Serve

**Eastchester**: The town of Eastchester covers 3.29 square miles with a 2010 census of 18,457 residents.

**Tuckahoe**: Portions of the village of Tuckahoe are within the EUFSD. The Village of Tuckahoe covers 0.6 square miles with a 2010 census of 6,657 residents.

**Scarsdal**e: Portions of the town of Scarsdale are within the EUFSD. The town of Scarsdale covers 6.66 square miles with a 2010 census of 18,079 residents.

### **Food Services**

The Eastchester School District lunch program is managed by Chartwells, using the *Nutrislice* program. The District maintains a computerized point of sale (POS) system in all school cafeterias. This provides a convenient and secure way to set up a pre-paid lunch account for children. Cash is also still accepted on a daily basis.

Food Services Contact:

@compass-usa.com

# Pupil Personnel Services

Eastchester employs a variety of specialists to help students reach their potential. The Pupil Personnel staff includes counselors, psychologists, speech/language teachers, occupational therapists, physicians and nurses. Their services are provided according to the needs of the student.

Students meet with Pupil Personnel staff on an as needed basis or as mandated by state and federal law. Parents should contact pupil personnel staff members regarding any issues or concerns they may have. For additional information, call 793-6130, ext. 4239.

### **Special Education**

Eastchester has in-district programs to meet the needs of students with a variety of disabilities. School personnel, the District Committee on Special Education, in consultation with parents, work to design and monitor programs to meet individual student needs. A full continuum of services is provided based on a student's strengths and needs.

### **Academic Support Services**

A number of services help to support student learning. They include: Academic Intervention Services, counseling, and speech/language therapy. Students are screened to identify those who qualify for these services. The District has also implemented RtI, Response to Intervention Services, for students.

# Transportation

The Eastchester Union Free School District is dedicated to providing the safest, most efficient and cost effective transportation to our residents. Students attending Eastchester Schools in grades K-1 are eligible to receive transportation if they reside 0.25 of a mile or more from school. Students in grades 2-5 are eligible to receive transportation if they reside 0.4 of a mile or more from school. Students in grades 6-12 are eligible to receive transportation if they reside 0.8 of a mile or more from school.

Transportation Contact: TBD

School District History

When the town of Eastchester was founded in 1664, it included all the land between the Bronx and the Hutchinson rivers, from the Eastchester Creek in the south (where Co-Op City now stands) to the Scarsdale border in the north. The original settlers signed a covenant stating that its citizens would "help and counsel each other" and "that provision be made for the education of the children." It would not be until January 26, 1726, however, when Captain Joseph Drake and Jerimiah Fowler were elected at a town meeting to be the "overseers of ye school in ye town," that we have an official record of the first school.

That same year, plans were made for educating the children when a lot "was layed out for a schoolhouse in the woods, near John Vail's." This schoolhouse was built at the southern junction of California Road and Route 22, a block from the present site of Mt. Vernon High School. Sadly, this school was destroyed during the American Revolution.

By 1795, the New York State Legislature had made provisions for education throughout the state with an annual appropriation, and provided for school commissioners in each town to oversee school affairs. Election of local school board trustees began in 1812, when the Legislature called for these officials to replace the school commissioners. The position of superintendent of common schools (a group of schools in the same geographical area, sharing services) was added in 1844.

In an earlier and simpler age school districts were willing to forego district lines and merge services without political, legal, and social implications. In 1835 students in present day Bronxville, Tuckahoe, and the southern end of Eastchester began to attend the Marble School in present day Mt. Vernon. Students at the northern end of town had to walk a considerable distance to attend school. A land grant in 1864 allowed the construction of another schoolhouse, located where the CVS parking lot on Tuckahoe Avenue stands today. The Marble School was taken down from its original site in 1869 and rebuilt at the intersection of California Road and New Rochelle Road. Today it is operated by the Eastchester Historical Society and offers exhibitions on how children learned in a one-room setting. An excellent historical library is located behind the schoolhouse and is available to the public through the Society.

After 1892, when Mt. Vernon was incorporated as a city, the present school districts began to take shape. In 1894, a union free school district covering parts of present day Eastchester and Tuckahoe was created. Residents of Tuckahoe later sued the school district and won, forming a separate district.

In 1899, the University system of New York State granted a charter to the Waverly Union School, located in present day Eastchester (called Upper Tuckahoe at the time), which housed grades kindergarten through twelve. This charter marks the beginnings of the Eastchester Union Free District.