

#### Superintendent's Week In Review Vol. 1 Issue 36: May 30, 2025



Superintendent, Aníbal Soler, Jr.

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Message from Superintendent Soler

Dear Yonkers Public Schools Families,

It's been a full and meaningful week across our district and I want to take a moment to share a few highlights that truly stood out.

As previously announced, <u>Let's Talk</u>, a communication tool that gives families a direct way to reach departments like Transportation, Registration, Special Education, and others is available on the District's website.



Superintendent Soler Speaks at the 2025 Career Technical Education Awards Ceremony

If you've got a question or concern, this platform is designed to make it easier to get a timely response.

Speaking of access – our new website and mobile app goes live Monday afternoon. The website and mobile app will be everything Yonkers Public Schools in your pocket! It's cleaner, easier to navigate, and built with families in mind. More information to come!

One of the week's most powerful moments came at the Career & Technical Education Awards Ceremony. We honored our students, teachers, and community partners at the Yonkers Arts Studio, with culinary students from Lincoln and Saunders baking for the crowd and Saunders musicians closing the night. Saunders students were also busy lending their design talents to the Yonkers Police and Fire Training Facility. It's a reminder that our classrooms don't end at the school doors.

Earlier this week, our MBK students had the chance to sit down with Dr. John King Jr., former Secretary of Education and current SUNY Chancellor. He shared stories from his new book and left a deep impression on our students about the power of teachers and resilience.

Tonight, we'll gather for Relay for Life at Gorton High School. This year's event is especially meaningful as we honor the life and legacy of Ms. Elaine Shine. Her impact was and still is felt across our district.



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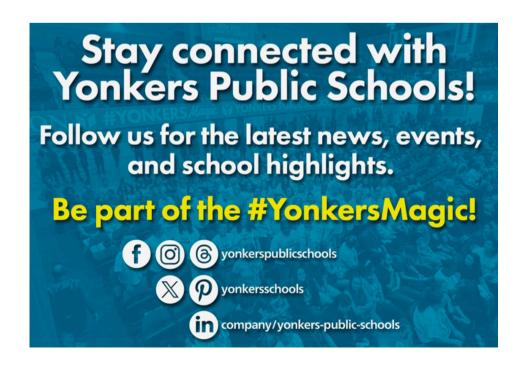
Message from Superintendent Soler (Continued)

Thanks for all you continue to do to support our schools. We're building something special together.

Aníbal Soler, Jr. Superintendent of Schools



Superintendent Soler Leads a Panel Discussion at the Annual National Community Schools & Family Engagement Conference



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From key moments with Superintendent Soler to exciting events across our schools, Yonkers Magic was on full display. Catch up on all the highlights and celebrations happening in YPS this week!

#### Let's Talk Is Live

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#### Have a Question? Get a Real Answer.

Let's Talk is available on the YPS website – it is another way for families to get in touch with the District. It's a simple way to contact Central Office departments directly. Families can use it to ask questions, get support, or follow up on an issue. It's quick and gets your concern to the right team member.

#### **CTE Awards: Students, Skills, and Bright Futures**



#### Honoring hands-on learning and career pathways

At the 2025 CTE Awards Ceremony, students, teachers, and partners were recognized for excellence. Culinary students from Saunders High School and Lincoln High School served dessert, and the night closed with a musical performance from Saunders students. It was a great reminder of what hands-on learning can do.

#### Saunders Students Help Shape City Training Site



#### **CTE Meets Civic Design**

Students from Saunders High School added the finishing touches to the design of the Yonkers Police and Fire Training Facility – blending their architecture and creativity skills with real-world impact. Big things are happening in our Career Technical Education programs.

#### **Relay for Life at Gorton – Honoring Ms. Shine**



#### Tonight | 3PM – 11PM at Gorton High School

We walk tonight in memory of beloved educator Ms. Elaine Shine, whose legacy continues to inspire us. Relay for Life is about hope, healing, and standing together. We hope you'll join us.

#### MBK Students Meet Dr. John King Jr.



A Meaningful Moment With a National Education Leader

Our MBK students had the chance to meet SUNY Chancellor Dr. John King Jr. this week to discuss his new book and the teachers who shaped him. It was a special moment and our students brought thoughtful questions and energy to the conversation.

#### Math Champions Rise to the Challenge



Over 160 Students Compete in 3rd Annual "Are You G.A.M.E.?" Competition

The 3rd Annual "Are You G.A.M.E.?" Math Competition was a big success, bringing together over 160 students from 33 Yonkers Public Schools to tackle challenging, grade-level math problems in a fun and competitive environment.

Our 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners took home trophies and well-earned recognition.

Congratulations to this year's winners (see list on next page) and thank you to our math educators, event organizers, and families for making this an unforgettable day of learning, problem-solving, and school pride.

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#### **Congratulations to the Math Champions**

Grade 3

1st Place – Abraham Joseph, PEARLS Hawthorne School 2nd Place – Benjamin Joseph, Patricia A. DiChiaro School 3rd Place – Ian Montoya, Westchester Hills School 29

Grade 4

1st Place – Diego Cruz, Justice Sonia Sotomayor Community School 2nd Place – King Charles Cabie, PEARLS Hawthorne School 3rd Place – Aliza Jamil, Rosemarie Ann Siragusa School

Grade 5

1st Place – Amy Elsayed, School 30 2nd Place – Emmanuel Thomas, PEARLS Hawthorne School 3rd Place – Caleb Rivas, Eugenio Maria de Hostos MicroSociety School

Grade 6

1st Place – Chris Perez Rodriguez, School 22 2nd Place – Alfrea Senson, Yonkers Montessori Academy 3rd Place – Leanna Samaroo-Samnarine, PEARLS Hawthorne School

Grade 7

1st Place – Sebastian Rodriguez, PEARLS Hawthorne School 2nd Place – Nicholas Morris, Yonkers Montessori Academy 3rd Place – Rodrigo Gutierrez, Ella Fitzgerald Academy

Grade 8

1st Place – Jendrick Gonzalez, Martin Luther King Jr. Academy 2nd Place – Nattamon Jasmine Overstreet, Yonkers Montessori Academy 3rd Place – Aviva Maragal, PEARLS Hawthorne School

#### **Upcoming Events**









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### Photos From Across The District

reer Technical Education (CTE) Awards Ceremony



Dr. Frank Hernandez Surveying the SHSYFD WPD WBL Training Center

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### Photos From Across The District

Delicious Treats Prepared By Saunders & Mncoln High School Culinary Students

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Architecture Open House @ Saunders Trade & Technical High School



SUITE ENTRANCE

## **YPS STUDENT ARTWORK**

