



Superintendent, Anibal Soler, Jr.

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Message from Superintendent Soler

Dear Yonkers Public Schools Community,

This week, the "Yonkers Magic" was shining brightly as we strengthened partnerships, celebrated diversity, and focused on creating new opportunities for our students and staff. I'm constantly reminded of how powerful we are as a community when we work together to support and elevate our schools.



Superintendent Anibal Soler, Jr. joins School 30's Podcast Photographed with Students Alongside Principal Michael Shapiro

We started the week by meeting with Iona University, where we explored ways to expand our partnership beyond providing pipelines for our students. We are in the process of creating professional development opportunities for our staff. By building these bridges between our schools and higher education institutions, we ensure that the magic of opportunity is extended all at Yonkers Public Schools.

The magic of cultural celebration was also in full effect this week. I had the pleasure of attending the Yonkers City Council's Hispanic Heritage culmination at City Hall, where we came together to honor the vibrant contributions of the Hispanic community. This was followed by a wonderful Hispanic Heritage celebration at Las Hermanas Mirabal Community School, where students and staff showcased the beauty of their culture through music, and performances. These events reminded us of the incredible diversity that makes Yonkers such a special place to live, learn, and grow.

On my school visits, I stopped by School 17 and School 23 to tour the facility, meet with staff, and see students. I was inspired by the magic happening in every classroom, as teachers and support staff work tirelessly to create the best possible learning environment for all to thrive. Visits like these keep me connected to the heart of our work – our students. A special thank you to Principals Cartica and Walpole for being gracious hosts!

This week, we also honored the Board of Education trustees at their stated meeting as part of New York State School Board Association's *Board Recognition Week*. These dedicated individuals volunteer their time and expertise to ensure that our district remains focused on providing the best possible education for every child.

Message from Superintendent Soler (Continued)

Their leadership is a vital part of the magic that drives our district forward.

Partnerships continue to be a key focus, and I had a productive meeting with Fordham University's TRIO program to explore how we can deepen our collaboration and provide even more support for our students. Whether through academic programs or support services, these partnerships help us create pathways for success.

Another highlight was attending our district's College Fair, where over a thousand people attended and students had the opportunity to meet with over 50 colleges. It was inspiring to see so many of our students planning for their futures and taking steps toward achieving their dreams. A special thank you to our Guidance and Counseling Department for organizing this fantastic event.

Finally, I had the chance to join School 30's podcast, where I was able to engage directly with students in a fun and interactive way. It's moments like these that remind me of the magic we create when we listen to and uplift student voices.

As always, I am grateful for the continued support and collaboration of our community. The magic of Yonkers is alive in everything we do, and together, we are creating endless possibilities for our students. Let's keep this momentum going as we move forward into the next week!



Anibal Soler, Jr.
Superintendent of Schools



*Students at Yonkers Early Childhood Academy
Engaging in Fire Safety Activities*

P.S. A reminder for families, Wednesday, October 23rd is a Superintendent's Conference Day and will be a half day of school for all students.

Get a front-row seat to what Superintendent Soler has been up to and what Yonkers Public Schools is celebrating this week. From his key moments to exciting activities across our schools, it's all right here!

Strengthening Partnerships with Iona University



Building Stronger Pathways for Student Success

Superintendent Soler met with Iona University to explore ways to expand their partnership to provide professional development for Yonkers Public Schools staff. These partnerships ensure not only our students have opportunities for higher education success but so do our teachers and administrators.



A Celebration of Hispanic Heritage at City Hall

A Night of Culture & Music

In honor of Hispanic Heritage Month, Superintendent Soler attended the Yonkers City Council's culmination celebration at City Hall. The event was a beautiful reminder of the rich diversity that makes Yonkers a vibrant community.



My Sister's Keeper Empowering Our Educators

This week, staff participated in training focused on better supporting My Sister's Keeper students. The training provided valuable insights and tools for staff to help students continue to thrive.

Connecting with School 17 & School 23



Superintendent Soler & Principal Jonathan Cartica



Principal Michael Walpole & Superintendent Soler

Superintendent Visits Staff and Students

Superintendent Soler visited School 17 and School 23 to tour the school and connect with staff and students. The visit highlighted the ongoing efforts to create a nurturing learning environment where every child can succeed.



Building a Stronger Future with Fordham TRIO

Superintendent Strengthens Partnership with Fordham University

Superintendent Soler met with representatives from Fordham University's TRIO program to deepen their partnership. Together, they're focused on providing Yonkers students with academic support and pathways to college success.

Recognizing the Heart of Our Schools



Honoring Board of Education Trustees for Board Recognition Week

During the Board of Education's stated meeting, Superintendent Soler honored trustees for their dedication as part of Board Recognition Week. Their volunteer service helps guide the district and ensures that every student has access to quality education.



College Fair Success: Planning for the Future

Over 50 Colleges in Attendance

This week's Yonkers Public Schools College Fair was a resounding success, with over a thousand people attending and over 50 colleges represented. A big thank you to our Guidance and Counseling Department for organizing this incredible event, helping students plan their futures.

Superintendent Soler Joins School 30's Podcast



A Fun and Engaging Conversation with Students

Superintendent Soler joined School 30's podcast this week, connecting with students in a fun and interactive way. It's moments like these that highlight the importance of student voices in shaping our schools.

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Superintendent Soler's Week in Review Photos



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Photos From Across
The District



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Boyce Thompson School

School 23

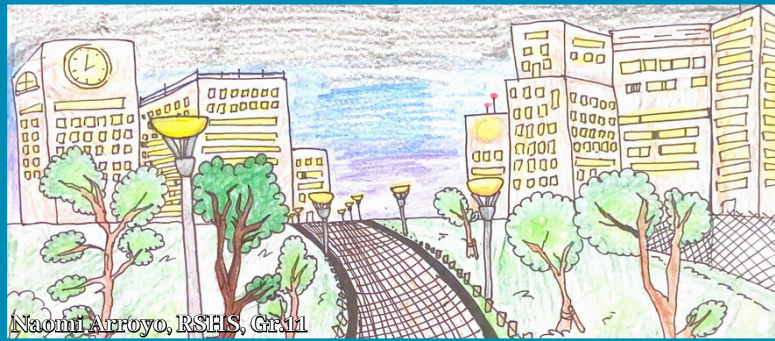


School 23



Yonkers Montessori Academy

YPS STUDENT ARTWORK



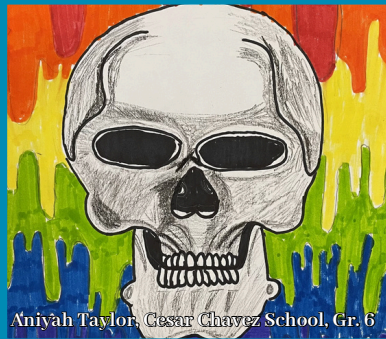
Naomi Arroyo, RSHS, Gr. 11



Cleavon Ruff, School 23, Gr. 7



Maria Carrillos, LHS, Gr. 11



Aniyah Taylor, Cesar Chavez School, Gr. 6



Zunilda Gil, RSHS, Gr. 12



Diego Calderon, RSHS, Gr. 10



Alexia Hernandez, LHS, Gr. 9