

RACHEL CARSON INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL 237
Magnet School for the Arts
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Dear 6th Grade Student,

Welcome to Rachel Carson Intermediate School 237! We are delighted you will be coming to our school and we look forward to greeting you at 8:00 A.M. on Thursday, September 7th. There will a brief orientation meeting for 6th grade students and parents on Thursday, August 31st from 10:00 to 10:45 AM in the auditorium.

Below, you will find a brief summary of some of our school policies as well as a list of supplies you will need to get off to a great start this year.

SCHOOL HOURS

Our school hours are Monday through Friday 8:00 AM to 2:20 PM.
You will receive information about our extracurricular programs and activities when school starts.

TRANSPORTATION

Students who are eligible for school bus transportation (yellow bus) will be notified about pick-up and drop-off times and locations before school starts. Students who are eligible to receive a NYC Metro Card will be notified as well. Please note that students cannot receive both yellow bus transportation and a Metro Card.

DRESS CODE

All students must wear the uniform school shirt daily. Shirts are color-coded by grade (Grade 6 – grey; Grade 7 – maroon; Grade 8 – green). Order shirts online directly from Smooth USA using this link:

www.SmoothUSA.com/IS237Q

Physical Education teachers will provide students with all necessary information about purchasing gym uniforms.

Students are NOT permitted to wear the following:

- jeans with extensive rips or cut-out holes
- low-slung (sagging) pants
- pajama-type clothing
- tank tops or midriff-revealing shirts/blouses
- sandals, flip-flops or other footwear that may cause a safety hazard
- outer clothing - hoodies, coats, jackets, gloves, scarves, hats - during the school day (with the exception of head coverings in accordance with religious customs or beliefs)

Students may not use cell phones while in the school building except for instructional purposes when directly supervised by a teacher or other authorized school staff.

OTHER INFORMATION

GRADE	ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL	DEAN	GUIDANCE COUNSELOR
6	Ms. Jeannine Strong	Mr. Clifford Serrett	Ms. Cindy Xu
7	Ms. Carla Brathwaite	Mr. Dirk Glen	Ms. Lisa Levarlsen
8	Ms. Karen Martin	Mr. Ben Ercoli	Mr. Kenneth Ye

Parent Coordinator: Ms. Shirley Bryant

YOU WILL RECEIVE A SEPARATE MAILING ABOUT YOUR OFFICIAL (HOMEROOM) CLASS DESIGNATION SHORTLY BEFORE SCHOOL STARTS.

Once again, we welcome you to IS 237 and look forward to a great 2023-2024 school year!

Very truly yours,
Judith Friedman
Principal