

2023-2024 Community Chat Meeting Schedule

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Date	Meeting Location	Meeting Time
OCT 4, 2023	FDR—Library	8:00-9:00 pm
Wednesday	(In Person & Virtual Option)	
NOV 13, 2023 Monday	NPE- Library	7:00-8:00 pm
JAN 9, 2024 Tuesday	NES- Library	8:00-9:00 pm
FEB 7, 2024 Wednesday	VAS- Library	8:00-9:00 pm
MAR 18, 2024 Monday	HMS—Library (In Person & Virtual Option)	7:30-8:30 pm
APR 9, 2024 Tuesday	RRS—Library	8:00-9:00 pm
MAY 9, 2024 Thursday	District Office (DO)- BOE Room* (In Person & Virtual Option)	7:00-8:00 pm

This year we are going to hold Community Chats after a PTA meeting at each building.

^{*}May's location may change in the event a school meeting is displaced due to bad weather.

Community Chats 2023-2024

The Board of Education recognizes that there are restrictions during Public Participation that prohibit conversations between the board and speakers. In an effort to improve conversational communication, the board introduced "Community Chats". These are informal meetings where our community and board members can "Chat" in a more casual setting. Thanks to all of the parents and community members who attend our "Chats". The meaningful discussions were very enlightening. Trustees brought your ideas, thoughts and concerns back to the board at BOE meetings.

As we enter into our second year this year "Chats" will be held on evenings where the schools are already planning to hold a PTA meetings. We hope more parents and community members will stop in and "Chat" after their meetings.

Community Chat Meeting Charter

<u>Mission:</u> To meet with HPCSD community members to encourage open communication and dialogue between our community and board representatives.

Meeting Details:

- This is an opportunity for community members to have a discussion with board trustees about school related topics of their choosing.
- Meeting Dates will be scheduled in advance and noticed on the district website.
- Meetings will be held in rotating district locations, on different days of the week, in the evening to give added access to our community members.
- Community members are not limited to attend Community Chats based on the meeting place. All are welcome at any of the meeting locations.

Guidelines:

- No more than 3 board trustees will be present at any meeting. To ensure this, board members will sign up for meetings on the schedule.
- Community Chats are not considered official board meetings, there will not be a quorum present at any "Chat". Per NYS Ed Law, no decisions can be made by any individual board trustee.
- Attendees can pose questions, make comments, express ideas or voice concerns with trustees.
- Trustees will report back to the board on topics discussed so the board may discuss the topics in public and questions posed can be addressed.
- The expectation of all attendees is to be polite and respectful to each other. All attendees are to conduct themselves in a civil manner. Obscene language, libelous statements, threats of violence, statements advocating racial, religious or other forms of prejudice will not be tolerated.

We invite you to use these opportunities to come and talk with your board trustees.

Community Chats are not "BOE meetings".

NO decisions can be made, promised or implied, on behalf of the Board.