



Dear Family,

Thank you for your interest in Peconic Community School. Attached you will find information on our admissions process, application instructions, and an application for K - 6th grade.

PCS is an independent multi-age progressive school that implements an innovative, creative project-based, placed-based and integrated curriculum. We focus on the whole child, helping him/her to grow academically, socially, and emotionally. We pull from a range of educational philosophies and approaches in order to best meet the individual needs of every child. Our students will work collaboratively with peers, teachers and the community to facilitate learning.

You can learn more about our school by visiting our website: peconiccommunityschool.org or by calling to arrange a visit: (631) 779-2934

We look forward to meeting you and your child.

Non-Discrimination Policy

The Peconic Community School will admit students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national or ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs.

Admissions Process

Learn:

If you are interested in applying to Peconic Community School (PCS), we invite you to learn more about us! Please visit our website to read about our educational philosophy, attend one of our open houses or schedule a tour. Dates for open houses can be found on our website at www.peconiccommunityschool.org. Call 631-779-2934 or email info@peconiccommunityschool.org to learn more.

Apply:

Applications are accepted on a rolling basis. Once you have decided that you would like to apply, please download or request our application. If you wish to be considered for reduced tuition, please complete the SMART Tuition Aid application. Instructions are included in the school application, and include a \$24 fee to be paid directly to SMART. Once completed, please mail your application to P.O. Box 273, Aquebogue, NY 11931 with a non-refundable check for \$65. If you have applied for reduced tuition, we will be in touch after SMART's assessment has come through.

Meet & Visit:

As the next step, we invite you and your child to meet with the facilitators and administrators of the school to determine if our school is the right fit for your family. Once an application has been submitted, you may schedule a visit for your child, where he/she can spend some time in the classroom. The visit offers an opportunity for your family to ask more questions, to get a sense of a day in the life of the school, and for us to learn more about your child.

Enroll:

PCS will consider your application after all materials have been submitted (including records from your current district, if applicable) and your child has visited the school. If PCS has the space and resources to accept your child, we will send you an enrollment agreement. Enrollment agreements must be signed and submitted along with a non-refundable 10% deposit to secure a spot for Fall 2018.

2018 - 2019 Tuition and Fees K-6 Program

Tuition:

2018-2019 Full Tuition: **\$15,500**

Additional Fees:

Activities & Supplies Fee: \$300/child

Annual Smart Tuition Payment Processing Fee: \$50 (\$20 for families that pay in full by Aug. 1st)

Peconic Community School believes that families should pay a tuition that is in equitable proportion to their economic resources. As such, the school sets aside a *limited* amount of funds for tuition remission. Families interested in applying for reduced tuition must submit their financial information confidentially to an outside service (SMART Tuition Aid Analysis Program) that calculates an objective independent assessment of financial need. The school will review these worksheets, seek feedback from the family if necessary and then determine a proposed reduced tuition level, if the funds are available. The online application is available at this link: www.smarttuitionaid.com. Click on "New Parent Registration." Our school ID is 12642.

This reduced tuition approach is subject to budget, enrollment and available funds. If necessary, families will be placed on a waiting list until all applications have been fully considered.

For further questions regarding tuition and the application process, please call (631) 779-2934.

Application Instructions:

Please print and complete the application in its entirety. The application may be mailed to P.O. Box 273, Aquebogue, NY 11931 or dropped off in person at 269 Main Road, Aquebogue. A non-refundable \$65 application fee is due upon submission. Checks should be made payable Peconic Community School.

If you wish to be considered for reduced tuition, you must complete the SMART Tuition Aid Application. Follow the link below to SMART’s website and complete the application as per their instructions. The application requires a non-refundable fee of \$24.

SMART Link	www.smarttuitionaid.com
School Code	12642

Parent/ Guardian Information:

Relationship to child: _____

last name	first	middle
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home address

city	state	zip
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profession	employer	employer phone number
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primary phone number	email address
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Relationship to child: _____

last name	first	middle
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Please list additional family members living in household (indicate age of siblings):

If parents/ guardians live separately, to whom should correspondence be sent:

Essay Questions: (please attach additional pages if necessary)

To the extent that you are comfortable, feel free to include your child in the process of answering these questions.

Please describe how you believe your child learns most effectively.

Why do you feel Peconic Community School is the school for your child?

Child Portrait: (on a separate sheet of paper)

In order to help us get to know your child, please use the following questions as *suggestions* to help create your child's portrait. We ask that you try to keep this portion of the application to approximately a 500 word maximum.

Describe a typical day in your child's life.

Describe your child's strengths and challenges.

If relevant, you may explain if any significant events have impacted your child's life that you would like brought to our attention.

How does your child get along with peers and/ or adults?

What are your child's hobbies or favorite pastimes?

What characteristics do you admire and honor most about your child?

How would you describe your child to someone whom he or she has never met?

Are there any anecdotes from your child's life that may assist us in more thoroughly understanding your child's character?

Family Portrait: (on a separate sheet of paper)

In order to better understand your family values and home life, please use the following questions as *suggestions* to help create a family portrait. We ask that you try to keep this portion of the application to approximately a 500 word maximum.

Does your child have siblings? Where does your child fall in the family order?

Do you have pets?

Do you have extended family that lives nearby?

Does your family attend church, temple, or synagogue? Or does your family take part in any spiritual practice?

Do you have rules or practices around dress and clothing?

Do you have traditions around food and eating?

What does your family do together in your free time?

How do you envision your involvement in the school?

TRANSCRIPT AND RECORDS RELEASE FORM

Parents: please complete this form and submit to PCS with your application. We will submit it to your child's current school on your behalf.

Student's Name: _____ Current Grade: _____

Current School: _____

Current School Mailing Address: _____

Town: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

The student listed above has applied to Peconic Community School.

Please send PCS a copy of the child's health records and immunization forms, current school reports, narratives, standardized tests, or any pertinent information on file, including special education services, 504 plans, Individualized Education Plans, or psychological reports. If you have any questions, please call PCS @ 631-779-2934.

Send Records To: Peconic Community School
 Attn: School Records
 PO Box 273
 Aquebogue, New York 11931

Parent/Guardian Signature

Parent/Guardian Printed Name

Date

Application Packet Checklist:

Application Form _____

Child Portrait _____

Family Portrait _____

Transcript & Records Release Form _____

Non-refundable check of \$65 made out to Peconic Community School _____

Completed SMART Tuition Aid Application (if applicable) _____

Please mail Application Packet to:

Peconic Community School
PO Box 273
Aquebogue, New York 11931

Signature of parent/ guardian

date

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