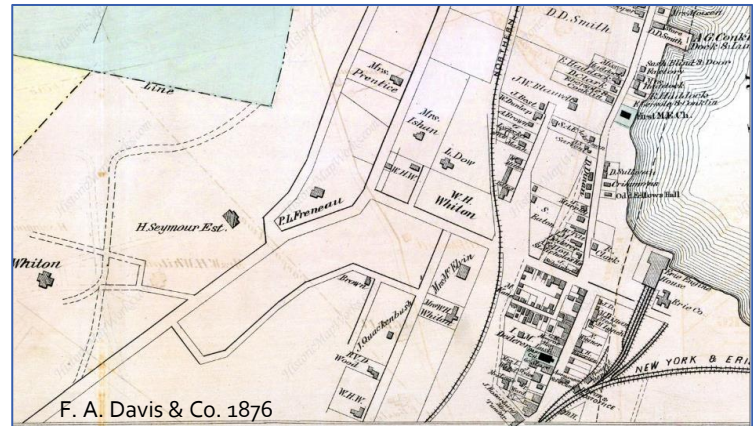
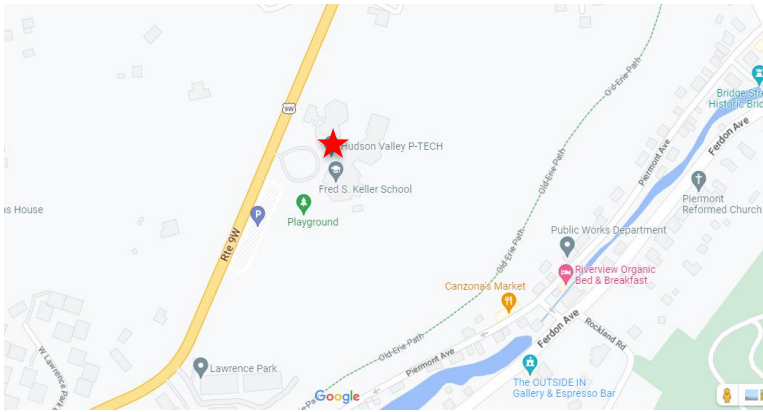




P-TECH



LOCATION

P-Tech (red star on the map above) is located in the village of Piermont right off of Route 9W. It is southwest of downtown Piermont and in close proximity to the Sparkill Creek and Tallman State Park. The surrounding area is mostly residential and forested land. St. Thomas Aquinas College is a few miles away in Tappan. P-tech is currently in the left wing of Tappan Zee Education Center. Fred S. Keller Preschool is located within the Education Center as well.

HISTORY

Rockland BOCES P-Tech began in 2014 and was initially in a rented space within South Orangetown Middle School before moving locations. P-tech is located within the old Tappan Zee Elementary School which permanently closed in 2014 and became the Tappan Zee Education Center. The Old Erie Path which follows the historic path of the Erie Railroad Northern Branch is located along the eastern boundary of the property. The map above from 1864 shows that historically the property of P-Tech belonged to different family estates and rural woodlands.

THIS SITE

P-Tech is located in Piermont which has a population of 2,525 people living within its 0.7 square mile boundary. The median age of residents is 52 years old with 67% of its residents being 18 to 64 years old. Their population consists primarily of people who self-identify as Caucasian (70%), Hispanic (11%), and Asian (8%). Piermont residents are primarily high school educated (92.4%) with 62.1% of them achieving a bachelor's degree or higher. Of their workforce 70% of people drove alone to work with an average commute time of 30.8 minutes. Only 5% of their population utilizes public transit to get to work. P-Tech's student body consists of students from throughout Rockland County and is not limited to residents of Piermont.

WHAT IS NEEDED?

P-tech's campus features a playground, fields, and will soon have a community garden planted by the newly established gardening club. It's close proximity to Tallman State Park, and the Rockland County Club offers different recreational features including golf courses, pools, and walking and hiking trails. It's in close proximity to downtown Piermont which is a walkable community with a variety of shops and restaurants. However, Piermont lacks a structured bus or public transportation system. The Sparkill Creek, a tributary to the Hudson River, flows close behind the Tappan Zee Education Center although houses are situated between the creek and the P-tech campus. The Sparkill Creek is utilized by many residents for recreation activities such as kayaking and canoeing. When considering your site, think about how you can not only improve the campus but provide benefits to the broader Piermont community.

