

FORECAST FOR HUDSON/CATSKILL

TODAY	TONIGHT	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
HIGH 64	LOW 40	63	71	76	82
64	40	41	45	52	56

Shown is today's weather. Temperatures are today's highs and tonight's lows.

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Statistics through 2 p.m. Tuesday

Temperature	Precipitation
Tuesday as of 2 p.m. High 72 Low 51	24 hrs. through 2 p.m. Tue. 0.00"

YEAR-TO-DATE: 30.67 NORMAL: 30.58

SUN AND MOON

	Today	Thu.
Sunrise	6:53 a.m.	6:54 a.m.
Sunset	6:37 p.m.	6:35 p.m.
Moonrise	4:00 p.m.	4:31 p.m.
Moonset	12:05 a.m.	1:14 a.m.

Moon Phases

Full	Last	New	First
Oct 6	Oct 13	Oct 21	Oct 29

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8 a.m. 9 a.m. 10 a.m. 11 a.m. Noon 1 p.m. 2 p.m. 3 p.m. 4 p.m. 5 p.m. 6 p.m.

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NATIONAL WEATHER TODAY

Shown are areas of precipitation and high temperatures for the day.

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Legend: -10s, -0s, 0s, 10s, 20s, 30s, 40s, 50s, 60s, 70s, 80s, 90s, 100s, 110s

Shows: T-storms, Rain, Flurries, Snow, Ice, Hurricane, Tropical Storm, Tropical Depression, Tropical Rainstorm

NATIONAL CITIES

City	Today		Thu.	
	Hi/Lo	W	Hi/Lo	W
Albuquerque	81/58	s	83/59	s
Anchorage	50/41	r	47/41	sh
Atlanta	86/63	s	78/57	s
Atlantic City	68/56	s	65/51	pc
Baltimore	72/49	s	70/51	s
Billings	78/54	pc	77/52	pc
Birmingham	89/64	pc	83/59	s
Boise	74/56	c	71/51	c
Boston	63/49	s	61/48	s
Charleston, SC	82/58	pc	76/58	pc
Charleston, WV	83/55	s	79/51	pc
Charlotte	81/54	s	73/52	s
Cheyenne	73/47	s	77/49	pc
Chicago	77/58	pc	82/62	pc
Cincinnati	83/56	pc	78/56	pc
Cleveland	70/49	pc	75/54	pc
Columbus, OH	80/51	pc	79/53	pc
Dallas	90/70	s	90/70	s
Denver	80/53	s	85/53	s
Des Moines	86/61	pc	88/64	s
Detroit	70/51	pc	74/52	pc
Hartford	67/43	s	65/42	pc
Honolulu	89/74	sh	89/72	sh
Houston	94/68	s	94/71	s
Indianapolis	84/55	pc	81/58	pc
Kansas City	88/61	pc	86/61	pc
Knoxville	84/58	pc	80/54	s
Las Vegas	89/66	s	92/69	s
Little Rock	89/67	s	89/64	t
Los Angeles	78/62	pc	81/66	t
Miami	91/76	sh	86/75	t
Milwaukee	71/60	pc	74/61	s
Minneapolis	82/63	pc	87/68	s
Nashville	88/64	s	85/62	s
New Orleans	92/74	s	88/74	s
New York City	68/50	s	65/52	pc
Norfolk	71/62	c	71/61	pc
Oklahoma City	89/63	s	88/63	s
Omaha	87/60	s	87/64	s
Orlando	87/73	pc	85/70	t
Philadelphia	72/51	s	68/50	pc
Phoenix	98/74	s	102/75	s
Pittsburgh	74/49	s	72/52	pc
Portland, ME	63/40	s	61/43	s
Portland, OR	66/54	sh	70/52	sh
Providence	64/46	s	61/44	sh
Raleigh	76/52	s	72/51	s
Richmond	74/50	s	71/52	s
Sacramento	69/59	sh	78/55	pc
St. Louis	86/64	pc	88/68	s
Salt Lake City	80/60	pc	85/62	s
San Francisco	71/61	sh	70/58	pc
Savannah	83/62	pc	78/62	pc
Seattle	66/54	t	66/52	sh
Tampa	90/74	pc	88/73	t
Washington, DC	75/54	pc	71/54	s

Weather(W): s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice.

Hecate

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permission. Hecate's revised 42-megawatt solar project includes the reduction in size of the project's fenced-in area to 175 acres, as well as an agrivoltaics plan to allow sheep to graze in the 73 acres of land covered by the solar arrays. Battery energy storage is also

no longer a part of the project. Jean Halloran, a member of the concerned community group, said the evacuation plan exemption was "ridiculous." "Basically, they [Hecate] just said there's no hazard," Halloran said Tuesday. "They went on to say that if there is a fire, how their employees should be evacuated and 911 should be notified, but then said there's no hazard for the community. They don't explain how the smoke won't blow over to the school — they just say there

would be no problem outside the facility. That's what they [Hecate] claim, but we think it's ORES' job as regulators to say 'that's ridiculous' ... But they didn't." State Office of Renewable Energy Siting Public Affairs Director James Denn referred back to the notice of a complete application when asked about his office's official position regarding risks associated with the Hecate project to the neighboring community. The completed notice did

not specifically address an evacuation plan. "This is the beginning of the process," Denn said in an email Tuesday. The department has 60 days to publish a draft siting permit publicly available and subject to public scrutiny and comment, according to the office's letter of confirmation. The state agency will then have one year, if the project is deemed complete, to make a final decision on permitting the project.

Trump

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admirals and generals from conflict zones were summoned for a lecture on race and gender in the military showed the extent to which the country's culture wars have become a front-and-center agenda item for Hegseth's Pentagon, even at a time of broad national security concerns across the globe.

'WE WILL NOT BE POLITICALLY CORRECT'

Trump is used to boisterous crowds of supporters who laugh at his jokes and applaud his boasts during his speeches. But he wasn't getting that kind of soundtrack from the military leaders in attendance.

In keeping with the nonpartisan tradition of the armed services, the military leaders sat mostly stone-faced through Trump's politicized remarks, a contrast from when rank-and-file soldiers cheered during Trump's speech at Fort Bragg this summer.

During his nearly hourlong speech, Hegseth said the U.S. military has promoted too many leaders for the wrong reasons based on race, gender quotas and "historic firsts."

"The era of politically correct, overly sensitive don't-hurt-anyone's-feelings leadership ends right now at every level," Hegseth said.

That was echoed by Trump, who said "the purposes of America military is not to protect anyone's feelings. It's to protect our republic."

"We will not be politically correct when it comes to defending American freedom," Trump said. "And we will be a fighting and winning machine."

Sen. Jack Reed, the top Democrat on the Senate Armed Ser-

vices Committee, called the meeting "an expensive, dangerous dereliction of leadership" by the Trump administration. "Even more troubling was Mr. Hegseth's ultimatum to America's senior officers: conform to his political worldview or step aside," Reed said in a statement. "That demand is profoundly dangerous. It signals that partisan loyalty matters more than capability, judgment, or service to the Constitution, undermining the principle of a professional, nonpartisan military."

LOOSENING DISCIPLINARY RULES

Hegseth also said he is loosening disciplinary rules and weakening hazing protections, putting a heavy focus on removing many of the guardrails the military had put in place after numerous scandals and investigations.

He said he was ordering a review of "the department's definitions of so-called toxic leadership, bullying and hazing to empower leaders to enforce standards without fear of retribution or second guessing."

He called for changes to "allow leaders with forgivable, earnest or minor infractions to not be encumbered by those infractions in perpetuity."

"People make honest mistakes, and our mistakes should not define an entire career," Hegseth said.

Bullying and toxic leadership have been the suspected and confirmed causes behind numerous military suicides over the past several years, including of Brandon Caserta, a young sailor who was bullied into killing himself in 2018.

A Navy investigation found that Caserta's supervisor's "noted belligerence, vulgarity and brash leadership was likely a significant contributing factor



EVAN VUCCI

Pres. Donald Trump is greeted by Secretary of Defense Pete Hegseth before speaking to a gathering of top U.S. military commanders at Marine Corps Base Quantico, Tuesday, in Quantico, Va.

in (the sailor's) decision to end his own life."

GENDER-NEUTRAL PHYSICAL STANDARDS

Hegseth used the platform to slam environmental policies and transgender troops while talking up his and Trump's focus on "the warrior ethos."

The Pentagon has been told from previous administrations that "our diversity is our strength," Hegseth said, calling that an "insane fallacy."

"They had to put out dizzying DEI and LGBTQ+ statements. They were told females and males are the same thing, or that males who think they're females is totally normal," he said.

Hegseth said this is not about preventing women from serving.

"But when it comes to any job that requires physical power to perform in combat, those physical standards must be high and gender neutral," he said. "If women can make it excellent, if not, it is what it is."

If that means no women qualify for some combat jobs, so be it. That is not the intent, but it could be the result."

Hegseth's speech came as the country faces a potential government shutdown last week and as he has taken several unusual and unexplained actions, including ordering cuts to the number of general officers and firings of other top military leaders.

Trump also said the military's focus should be on the Western Hemisphere. His administration has championed the military's role in securing the U.S.-Mexico border, deploying to American cities as part of Trump's law enforcement surges, and carrying out strikes on boats in the Caribbean that it says targeted drug traffickers.

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Gov't

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part of Trump's "big, beautiful bill" this summer and for the White House to promise it will not move to rescind spending passed by Congress.

"We are not going to support a partisan Republican spending bill that continues to gut the health care of everyday Americans," House Democratic Leader Hakeem Jeffries said.

Thune has pressed Democrats to vote for the funding bill and take up the debate on tax credits later. Some Republicans are open to extending the tax credits, but many are strongly opposed to it.

In rare, pointed back-and-forth with Schumer on the

Senate floor Tuesday morning, Thune said Republicans "are happy to fix the ACA issue" and have offered to negotiate with Democrats — if they will vote to keep the government open until Nov. 21.

NO AGREEMENT AT THE WHITE HOUSE

The bipartisan meeting at the White House on Monday was Trump's first with all four leaders in Congress since re-taking the White House for his second term. Schumer said the group "had candid, frank discussions" about health care and the potential for health insurance costs to skyrocket once expanded Affordable Care Act tax credits expire Dec. 31.

But Trump did not appear to be ready for serious talks. Hours later, he posted a fake video of Schumer and House Democratic Leader Hakeem Jeffries taken from footage of their real press conference outside of the White House after the meeting. In the altered video, a voiceover that sounds like Schumer's voice makes fun of Democrats and Jeffries stands beside him with a cartoon sombrero and mustache. Mexican music plays in the background.

At a news conference on the Capitol steps Tuesday morning, Jeffries said it was a "racist and fake AI video."

Schumer said that "we have less than a day to figure this out" and Trump is trolling on the Internet "like a 10-year-old."

A CRITICAL, AND UNUSUAL, VOTE FOR DEMOCRATS



ALEX BRANDON — AP

Senate Majority Leader John Thune, R-S.D., talks to reporters outside the West Wing of the White House, Monday, Sept. 29, 2025, in Washington, as House Speaker Mike Johnson of La., listens.

Democrats are in an uncomfortable position for a party that has long denounced shutdowns as pointless and destructive, and it's unclear how or when it would end. But party activists and voters have argued that Democrats need to do something to stand up to Trump.

Some groups called for Schumer's resignation in March after he and nine other Democrats voted to break a filibuster and allow a Republican-led funding bill to advance to a final vote.

Schumer said then that he voted to keep the government open because a shutdown would have made things worse as Trump's administration was slashing government jobs. He says now that he believes things have changed, including the passage this summer of the massive GOP tax cut bill that reduced Medicaid.

SHUTDOWN PREPARATIONS BEGIN

The stakes are huge for federal workers across the country as the White House told agencies last week that they should consider "a reduction in force" for many federal programs if the government shuts down. That means that workers who are not deemed essential could be fired instead of just furloughed.

Either way, most would not get paid. The nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office estimated in a letter to Iowa Sen. Joni Ernst on Tuesday that around 750,000 federal workers could be furloughed each day once a shutdown begins.

Virginia Sen. Mark Warner, a Democrat, said some of the many federal workers in his state support a shutdown.

"What I hear from federal workers is they've been on a slow, shutdown firing since the beginning of this administration," Warner said. "They want us to push back."

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