

MINUTES
Community District Education Council 30
Calendar Meeting
April 11, 2022

The April Virtual Calendar Meeting of Community District Education Council 30 was held on Monday, April 11, 2022, via the Zoom platform.

Mr. Greenberg called the Calendar Meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

Roll Call

Juliette-Noor Haji, Secretary, conducted roll call for the Calendar Meeting.

Present:

Deborah Alexander
Kristina Berrouet
Kelly Craig
Jonathan Greenberg
Juliette-Noor Haji
Fatima Lakrafl
Michelle Moore
Marisela Santos
Esther Verhalle
Ethan Wong
Victoria Medelius

Absent and Excused

Whitney Toussaint (School)

Jonathan Greenberg, President, explained the format of the meeting.

Roundtable with New York City Council Members Tiffany Cabán, Shekar Krishnan, Julie Won and Francisco Moya

Mr. Greenberg introduced the Councilmembers and stated that CM Julie was not able to attend. The NYC Councilmembers gave introductory statements. CM Cabán represents schools in Astoria and East Elmhurst. CM Krishnan represents schools in Jackson Heights and Elmhurst and CM Moya Corona and East Elmhurst.

Education and community priorities were discussed. NYC Councilmembers were asked to support schools and parent associations with discretionary funds.

Presentation: Planning & Design of the New Middle School Located at 47-10 Barnet Avenue, Sunnyside, Opening September 2023

Jai Griem, Reba Lichtenstein from the Office of District Planning and Donna Taylor from the Office of School Design presented.

Q429 located at 47-10 Barnett Avenue, Sunnyside, is scheduled to open September 2023 with a capacity of 725 middle school seats. The planning process will be student and community driven. Community was encouraged to attend the April 14, 2022, Zoning Committee meeting. Future engagement meetings will be discussed and planned.

Resolution #161 Regarding Anti-Asian Hate, Followed by Public Comment

Deborah Alexander read Resolution #161 Requesting Active Efforts to Prevent Anti-Asian Racism and Aggressions in Schools. Members commented and requested some changes.

Ms. Alexander made a motion to adopt Resolution #161 removing section 3 from the first “Be It Further Resolved” and the seventh “Whereas”. Kelly Craig seconded the motion.

Ms. Haji conducted a roll call vote.

Deborah Alexander	In Favor
Kristina Berrouet	In Favor
Kelly Craig	In Favor
Jonathan Greenberg	In Favor
Juliette-Noor Haji	In Favor
Fatima Lakraflī	In Favor
Victoria Medelius	In Favor
Michelle Moore	In Favor
Marisela Santos	In Favor
Esther Verhalle	In Favor
Ethan Wong	In Favor

The Motion passed.

Esther Verhalle thanked Ms. Alexander for writing the resolution.

Special Election to Fill the Office of 2nd Vice President

Kristina Berrouet nominated herself.

Marisela Santos nominated Fatima Lakraflī. Ms. Lakraflī declined.

Jonathan Greenberg nominated Marisela Santos who accepted the nomination.

Candidates had an opportunity to make a statement.

Ms. Haji conducted a roll call vote.

Deborah Alexander	Kristina Berrouet
Kristina Berrouet	Kristina Berrouet
Kelly Craig	Kristina Berrouet
Jonathan Greenberg	Marisela Santos
Juliette-Noor Haji	Marisela Santos
Fatima Lakraflī	Kristina Berrouet
Victoria Medelius	Kristina Berrouet
Michelle Moore	Marisela Santos
Marisela Santos	Marisela Santos
Esther Verhalle	Marisela Santos
Ethan Wong	Marisela Santos

The election was a tie and tabled until next month.

Dr. Philip A. Composto, Community Superintendent’s Report

The Superintendent’s Report follows the minutes.

American Debate League, Richard Connelly

Mr. Connelly stated that the debate program builds better thinkers and better leaders. The program is in several District 30 schools and offers District 30 students scholarships for the summer programs.

Public Agenda and Speaking

Mercedes Jennings, Senator Gianaris Office and District 30 parent, asked how the DOE is helping to get students in temporary housing to get connected to specialized high school exams. All students in temporary housing will get an invitation and MetroCard.

Kathleen Essay, parent: when will middle school matches be released; will there be busing for Summer Rising and will parents receive letter about the security breach if the school no longer used Pupil Path and or Skedula? Dr. Composto is not certain when the middle school matches will be released; buses are provided for special education students and others will receive metro cards; all students involved with the data breach will get a letter.

Nancy Corona, CM Julie Won's Office, questions regarding Reso-A and Capital Plan funds can be sent to ncorona@council.nyc.gov.

Adjournment

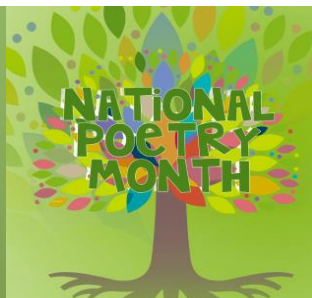
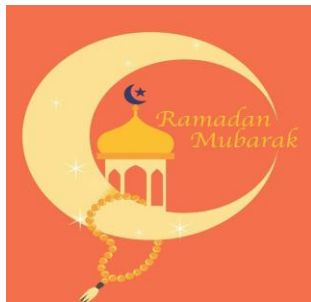
There being no further business, Kelly Craig made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Michelle Moore seconded. All in favor. The motion was passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Juliette-Noor Haji
Secretary

The recording of this meeting will be available at cec30.org.

Superintendent's Report Community District Education Council CDEC30 April 11, 2022



Teamwork

“Acting as one
Believing in each other
Committing to excellence
Doing whatever it takes
Embracing a common vision
Fostering group intelligence
Juggling skills and talents
Looking out for each other
Recognizing each other’s strengths
Valuing everyone’s input
Working side by side”

In Support of the Framework for Great Schools under Supportive Environment

Opportunity to Celebrate Poem in Your Pocket Day

You are invited to participate in Poem in Your Pocket Day, as part of National Poetry Month on **April 29**, by encouraging your school community to select a poem, carry it with them, and share it with others throughout the day in classrooms and libraries, as well as on social media using the hashtag #PocketPoem. Visit the Spoken Word and Poetry Collection in the Citywide Digital Library on Sora, for eBook or audiobook novels in verse for grades 4–12, and for poetry for all grade levels. For more information, visit the Poem in Your Pocket Day website.

2022 Kindergarten Offers Release

Kindergarten offers were emailed to families on **April 5**; hard copies will be mailed to families via UPS by **April 15**. Beginning on **April 5**, schools and staff with account access will be able to review their waitlist in MySchools. Once the waitlist is available, they will be able to indicate acceptances and declinations on the waitlist screen. Families who applied online will also be able to accept or decline their offer using their MySchools.nyc account, which will also be reflected on the schools waitlist.

Families have until **May 6** to accept or decline their offer. After families accept their offer, schools can support the family to register for the fall.

COVID-19 Home Test Kits for Return from Spring Recess and Distribution Policy Update

To ensure that both staff and students have a COVID-19 test kit to use prior to returning from the Spring Recess, home test kits should be distributed on the following dates:

- **For Staff:** Staff will receive two tests on **April 11**, as part of the DOE’s weekly test kit distribution for staff. Staff will receive two more tests on **April 14**, to ensure staff have a second test to use before they return from the Spring Recess on **April 25**.
- **For Students:** Students should receive four tests on **April 14**. Note that even if a student has been exposed to COVID-19 in a classroom setting and received a test kit, they should still

receive two additional tests on **April 14**. A family letter will be available by **April 8** (available in all DOE languages) to accompany the **April 14** distribution of student tests. Students may share two tests with a family member.

Note that staff and students who have recovered from COVID-19 in the past 90 days do not need a home test kit.

Students and staff should use the test kit on the evening of **April 23**, and again on the evening of **April 24**, before returning to school on **April 25**. Please note that while use of the test kit is strongly encouraged, participation is voluntary, and staff and students are not required to show proof of a negative test result before being allowed to return to work and school.

Update on Summer Rising 2022 Enrollment Application for Students in Grades K–8

As shared in the Summer 2022 programming announcement by Chancellor David C. Banks on March 11, the DOE will lead the K–8 enrollment process for Summer Rising 2022. Please note that the Summer Rising 2022 enrollment application for families will launch in mid-April. Seats will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. Note that families should be prepared to reference their student’s nine-digit student ID number (OSIS) to apply. Additional details, including a step-by-step enrollment guide for schools and families will be posted on the Summer 2022 Grades K–8 InfoHub page prior to the application launch. You are encouraged to continue to reference this page for Summer Rising 2022 updates.

Summer School Sites

Affiliated Schools

30Q002	PS 2, PS 122 (K-5 grades)
30Q010	IS 10, Young Women's Leadership (6-8 grades)
30Q076	PS 76
30Q111	PS/IS 111
30Q126	IS 126, PS/IS 300 (6-8 grades)
30Q127	PS/IS 127
30Q141	IS 141, PS/IS 122 (6-8 grades)
30Q145	IS 145, IS 235
30Q149	PS 149, PS 92, PS 148, PS 228,
30Q166	PS 166, PS/IS 78 (K-5 grades), PS 112, PS 384
30Q212	PS 212, PS 69, PS 152, PS 222, PS 398
30Q227	IS 227, Robert F. Wagner, Jr. Secondary School (6-8 grades)

30Q230	IS 230
30Q234	PS 234, PS 17, PS 70, PS 84, PS 85, PS 151, PS 171, PS/IS 300 (K-5 grades)
30Q280	PS 280
30Q291	IS 291, PS/IS 78 (6-8 grades), PS 150 (grade 6), IS 204, Baccalaureate (7-8 grades)
30Q329	PS 329
30Q361	PS 361, PS 11 (K-5 grades), PS 150 (K-5 grades)

FY2022 SECTION. 211 & 249
BOROUGH PRESIDENT "RESOLUTION A" FUNDING ALLOCATION

30Q069	FY22 RESO A TECHNOLOGY UPGRADE	\$ 50,000
30Q078	FY22 RESO A TECHNOLOGY UPGRADE	\$ 300,000
30Q111	FY22 RESO A TECHNOLOGY UPGRADE	\$ 50,000
30Q152	FY22 RESO A TECHNOLOGY UPGRADE	\$ 100,000
30Q171	FY22 RESO A TECHNOLOGY UPGRADE	\$ 150,000
30Q204	FY22 RESO A TECHNOLOGY UPGRADE	\$ 112,000
30Q234	FY22 RESO A TECHNOLOGY UPGRADE	\$ 50,000

FY2022 SECTION. 254
CITY COUNCIL "RESOLUTION A" FUNDING ALLOCATION

30Q011	FY22 RESO A TECHNOLOGY UPGRADE	\$ 50,000
30Q076	FY22 RESO A	\$ 50,000

	TECHNOLOGY UPGRADE	
30Q078	FY22 RESO A TECHNOLOGY UPGRADE	\$ 50,000
30Q111	FY22 RESO A TECHNOLOGY UPGRADE	\$ 75,000
30Q112	FY22 RESO A TECHNOLOGY UPGRADE	\$ 50,000
30Q150	FY22 RESO A TECHNOLOGY UPGRADE	\$ 50,000
30Q152	FY22 RESO A TECHNOLOGY UPGRADE	\$ 50,000
30Q166	FY22 RESO A TECHNOLOGY UPGRADE	\$ 50,000
30Q212	FY22 RESO A TECHNOLOGY UPGRADE	\$ 116,000
30Q258	FY22 RESO A TECHNOLOGY UPGRADE	\$ 50,000
30Q291	FY22 RESO A TECHNOLOGY UPGRADE	\$ 59,000
30Q301	FY22 RESO A TECHNOLOGY UPGRADE	\$ 50,000
30Q361	FY22 RESO A TECHNOLOGY UPGRADE	\$ 50,000
30Q555	FY22 RESO A TECHNOLOGY UPGRADE	\$ 50,000

Guidance on State Math and Science Tests for Middle School Students Taking Regents Exams

New York State (NYS) grades 3–8 math exam will be administered from **April 26–27**. The NYS grades 4 and 8 science exam will be administered from **May 24–June 3** (performance) and on **June 6** (main administration).

Please note the updates and reminders below for testing middle school students, who are taking Regents exams.

Approval Pending for Grade 7 Math and Grade 8 Science Student Testing Exemptions: The New York State Education Department (NYSED) is currently seeking approval to continue exempting students taking math Regents in grade 7 or science Regents in grade 8 from the corresponding grade-level math

and science tests. If NYSED's request is approved by the United States Education Department, these students will not take the grade-level test, unless their parents request to do so.

Grade 8 Student Math Testing Exemption: As in previous years and in alignment with the New York State Commissioner's Regulations Part 100.4, students in grade 8 who are enrolled in a math course that culminates in a Regents exam are exempt from taking the New York State grade 8 math test. Schools must not administer the grade 8 math test to students taking Regents math courses. For these students, the Regents exam will be used for accountability purposes.

In alignment with existing Middle School Academic policy, all students enrolled in courses that culminate in a Regents are entitled to take that Regents, regardless of course performance.

Note that as in previous years, schools must honor requests from parents of grade 8 students in Regents courses to take the grade 8 math test, if they would like additional data about their student's progress. Schools must document all requests from parents to take the grade 8 math test, in addition to a math Regents. Schools must not require students to take both assessments, and they must inform parents that taking the grade 8 math test is optional for students taking a math Regents.

SHSAT Test Prep Program for Students in Temporary Housing

The DOE is launching the Student Achievers Test Prep Program (SATPP), a free, virtual, Specialized High School Admissions Test (SHSAT) study program for students in grade 7 who are in temporary housing; the program will be held for eight weeks on Saturdays from 9:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m. on **April 30–June 18**. Please find this program information for eligible students and complete the registration form by **April 15**; email confirmation of acceptance will be shared by **April 15**. Note that acceptance is on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Additionally, note that the SATPP program is separate from the DREAM-SHSI program. The SATPP program is solely for students in temporary housing and there is no academic requirement. However, students in temporary housing who are eligible for DREAM-SHSI can participate in both programs.

Collect and Enter Student Height and Weight Data in NYC FITNESSGRAM App

As noted in the October 13 edition of Principals Digest, earlier this school year, the DOE temporarily paused the requirement to record and submit NYC FITNESSGRAM student results until the release of further guidance, due to COVID-19 health and safety protocols. As in prior years, in alignment with Chancellor's Regulation A-701, schools are once again required to collect student height and weight data for the 2021–22 school year. Note that schools are not required to administer the fitness assessments of the NYC FITNESSGRAM program this year.

Collecting data for the 2021–22 school year is vital for determining the effects of COVID-19 pandemic on student health and identifying those at highest risk.

Security Breach – Letter to Principals

Dear Principals,

I am writing to provide you with an update concerning a data security incident that involves an online educational vendor that many schools currently or previously used: Illuminate Education.

As you may recall, Illuminate Education products (such as IO Classroom, Skedula, and PupilPath) were offline for a time in January 2022 due to a security incident. Since then, Illuminate has told us that they have been conducting an investigation to determine whether any students' personally identifiable information was accessed as a result of this incident. Today, Illuminate notified the DOE that its investigation was complete, and that the personally identifiable information of up to 820,000 current and former students were subject to unauthorized access by an apparent malicious actor. We are outraged by this breach, as we know you and your school communities will be, and are taking this matter very seriously. We have referred the matter to law enforcement at the Mayor's direction, and are considering what legal recourse we have against Illuminate on behalf of families.

In the interim, we have demanded that Illuminate provide us with a precise breakdown between current and former students. Thus far, Illuminate has shared the following information with us:

- Most, but not all, schools that currently use Illuminate Education products were impacted by this breach.
- If your school does not currently use Illuminate Education products, some of your current and/or former students may have attended schools that did, and therefore may have been affected by the breach.
- Not all types of student records it holds and not all data that schools share with Illuminate were accessed without authorization.
- For all students impacted, name and student ID (OSIS) number were among the data elements that were accessed.
- Date of birth was accessed for nearly all students impacted by the breach.
- The primary categories of data that were potentially subject to unauthorized access for some students are: biographic information (such as gender, ethnicity, and race), academic information (such as teacher/course/period assignments and assessment grades), special education information (whether a student has an Individualized Education Plan), and sensitive information (whether a student receives free lunch).
- We have been informed that the number of students whose free lunch information had been accessed is up to 15,000
- No copies of student IEPs were impacted.
- No family or student financial information or social security numbers were accessed.

In the coming weeks, families whose education records were accessed as part of the breach will receive an official letter with more information about what personally identifiable information was accessed, what steps Illuminate is taking to rectify the situation, and how to access credit monitoring paid for by Illuminate.

In response to our demands, Illuminate has informed us that they are utilizing additional safeguards to protect student information, and have committed to independent verification of these security measures. Because they have agreed to these steps and because of the disruption that would result from removing Illuminate products during the school year, we're not ending their service at this time. For next school year, we are reviewing whether to allow the use of Illuminate products in our schools.

We will be following up with updates and additional information as they become available. Please contact studentprivacy@schools.nyc.gov with questions or concerns about this incident. We will do our

best to respond while we wait for more information from Illuminate. You can find a template for a family letter to customize and share with your school community on the InfoHub Illuminate Education page.

Best,
Dan Weisberg
First Deputy Chancellor

Capping 2021-2022

As of 4-5-22

Sending School	Receiving School	Grade Level	Number of Students
30Q078/30Q384	30Q111	K	1
30Q078/30Q384	30Q111	K	1
30Q145	30Q235	7 th grade	10
30Q145	30Q235	8 th grade	12
30Q084	30Q002	5 th grade	1
30Q127	30Q329	3 rd grade	1
30Q145	30Q127	8 th grade	1
30Q145	30Q127	6 th grade	1
30Q145	30Q127	6 th grade	1
30Q145	30Q127	6 th grade	1
30Q145	30Q127	7 th grade	1
30Q145	30Q127	8 th grade	1
30Q145	30Q127	8 th grade	1
30Q145	30Q127	8 th grade	1
30Q145	30Q127	6 th grade	1
30Q145	30Q127	8 th grade	1

WISHING YOU AND YOUR FAMILY:

Happy Ramadan
Happy Easter
Happy Passover
And
A SAFE AND HAPPY
SPRING