

MINUTES
Community District Education Council 30
Calendar Meeting
August 13, 2019

The August Calendar Meeting of Community District Education Council 30 was held on Tuesday, August 13, 2019, in the 5th Floor Conference Room at QPN/DOE located at 28-11 Queens Plaza North, Long Island City, NY 11101.

Deborah Alexander, called the Calendar meeting to order at 6:38PM.

The Pledge was recited.

Roll Call

Shannon Lee, Recording Secretary, conducted roll call for the Calendar Meeting.

Present: Deborah Alexander
Robert Cruz
Jonathan Greenberg
Ka-Trina Harris
Fatima Lakraflī
Shannon Lee
Amina Maiza
Nuala O'Doherty
Scott Sharinn

Dr. Philip A. Composto, Community Superintendent's Report:

Dr. Composto met with District Planning. Christopher Mangiero, from the Office of Space planning and Management, will provide ramps to schools that are not accessible. The Council will put together of list of schools that would benefit from ramps. Currently there is no site for PS/IS 300 to have a separate building.

The Superintendent's report follows the minutes.

Ms. Alexander asked about test scores. Dr. Composto believes they will be available by the end of the month.

All middle schools are looking at individualized programming. Portfolios, test scores and teacher recommendations will be used.

Public Agenda and Speaking Time

Venus Ketchum, District 28 community education activist, is focusing on closing the achievement gap. Melanie Snyder and Ellie Paris, Assemblymember Brian Barnwell's office, announced upcoming events and will send flyers to the CDEC for distribution.

Evan Rabin, Premier Chess, returned from Africa with students and will go again next year. His program is in 4 District 30 schools.

Brian Wolff, spoke about fitness, nutrition and mental conditioning.

Michael Deutsch, presented his program, Hands on Hoops; children's basketball and transferrable skills.

Tyler Johnson, American Debate League, invited the Council and Superintendent to the Queens College Summer Debate Camp Awards Ceremony.

Nuala O'Doherty asked about students moving during the summer and enrollment into a new school. It was suggested that the parent go to the Welcome Center.

Adjournment

There being no further business Ms. Harris made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Lee seconded. All in favor. Motion was passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:22PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Shannon Lee
Secretary

Superintendent's Report

Community District Education Council CDEC30 Meeting

In support of the Framework for Great Schools under Supportive Environment

Dr. Philip A. Composto

- **New York Cares**

NYCares hired Ms. Ruth Aybar, who is their Associate Director of Community Engagement. Ruth's main goal will be to launch a new community engagement initiative, which will focus on deepening relationships with our partner communities through needs assessments, volunteer program design, partnership management, and engaging with parent/caregiver volunteers. This is the role that will be responsible for managing the next phase of Learning Leaders within New York Cares.

Her role is two-fold:

- Building capacity for schools to manage their own volunteers
- Help create effective programs in schools that targets parent/ caregivers engagement

Ruth's background spans over ten years, with on the ground experience and administrative connections, working with over 300 schools both within New York City Department of Education and Newark Public schools with a focus on parent/caregiver engagement. Her most recent role was the Director of Family Engagement at the New York City Department of Education. In her previous roles, she has created Professional Development Series around Family and Community Engagement; created a Parent University in partnership with the KROC/Salvation Army, and created a Parent Volunteer handbook. NYCares has been working diligently on the pilot phase, and wanted to re-visit some of our conversations.

- Queens Borough Field Support Office will now be called the **Queens North NYCDOE Borough Office.**
- **Multipurpose Room/Gym**

Below please find listing of D30 schools with a multipurpose room or gym:

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS	Full Gym	
P.S.002		Multipurpose Room (MPR)
P.S. 011	✓	
P.S. 017	✓	Shares Gym with PS 300
P.S. 069	✓	
P.S. 070	✓	
P.S. 076	✓	
P.S. 078	✓	ECC has MPR/PS 78 shares Gym with D75
P.S. 084	✓	
P.S. 085	✓	
P.S. 092	✓	
P.S. 111	✓	
P.S. 112	✓	
P.S. 122	✓	
P.S. 127	✓	
P.S. 148	✓	
P.S. 149	✓	
P.S. 150	✓	
P.S. 151	✓	
P.S. 152	✓	
P.S. 166	✓	
P.S. 171	✓	
P.S. 212	✓	
P.S. 222		
P.S. 228		
P.S. 234	✓	
P.S. 280		Multipurpose Room (MPR)
P.S. 361	✓	
P.S. 329		Multipurpose Room (MPR)
P.S./IS 300	✓	Shares Gym with PS 17/IS 126
P.S. 384		Multipurpose Room (MPR)
P.S. 398	✓	
MIDDLE SCHOOLS		MIDDLE SCHOOLS
I.S. 010	✓	
I.S. 126	✓	Shares Gym with IS300
I.S. 141	✓	
I.S. 145	✓	
I.S. 204	✓	Shares Gym with HS
I.S. 227	✓	
I.S. 230	✓	
I.S. 235	✓	
I.S. 291	✓	Shares Gym with HS @D75

- **Meeting with members of the Office of District Planning**

The superintendent met with members of District Planning today, August 13th, and on the agenda, he included the following:

1. A building for Q300.
2. A request for a new building in the Jackson Heights and Long Island City area.
3. Request of ramps for schools for accessibility. The space planner asked for a list of schools. Please submit a list of schools to the superintendent.

- **Division of School Facilities – Inspections of classrooms to identify peeling or damaged paint.**

The Division of School Facilities recently inspected classrooms in all school buildings serving children under age 6 to identify peeling or damaged paint is in the process of being repaired prior to the first day of school. The survey inspections on each school and classroom being remediated will be posted on the DOE website today. (www.schools.nyc.gov/about-us/reports/lead-based-paint/)

August Promotion Process

Principals are responsible for making final promotion decisions for all students in grades 3–8, who were not promoted in June; principals must enter final promotion decisions between **August 8** and **14**. The DOE will mail final promotion decision letters to families during the week of **August 19**.

Delivery of NYC Public School Guidebook in August

Beginning in mid-August, all schools will receive copies of the *2019–20 NYC Public School Guidebook*. Previously published as “Achieve NYC,” this year’s guidebook has been revamped, redesigned, and comprehensively updated for clarity and ease of use.

Available in the ten DOE-supported languages, the guidebook offers families an easy-to-read overview of the DOE’s policies, resources, and academic expectations for students. The guide also includes key contact information and useful tips for supporting students at home, in the classroom, and during the college application process.

As in prior years, the number of guides that schools receive in August is determined by the school’s enrollment and language preference data. When the school year begins in September, principals were asked to ensure that students backpack home the guides, so that families can begin using them right away. Family leadership coordinators and family support coordinators will have the guides available at district offices to share with families.

General Education Transportation

General education transportation eligibility is based on a student’s grade level and the walking distance between home and school. Based on a distance calculation, students eligible for full fare transportation may receive either stop to school transportation or a Student MetroCard. Attached please find the updated G.E. transportation eligibility listing.

Removal of Requirement for a Child to Appear at Registration

On June 19, the Panel for Education Policy (PEP) voted to approve revisions to Chancellor’s Regulation A-101, which included removing the requirement for a child to appear at registration to attend school.

School-based staff can now complete the registration process for children who do not appear at registration with their parent or guardian. Additionally, children who will be receiving home or hospital instruction can be registered without appearing at the affiliated school.

- **Communication from the Mayor's Office of Immigrant Affairs**

Dear Community Partner:

As you know, the Trump administration has released the "Public Charge" rule change. This rule change has not gone into effect.

As Mayor de Blasio and Commissioner Bitta Mostofi of the Mayor's Office of Immigrant Affairs said in a statement, this rule is another attempt to instill fear and concern among countless working immigrant families. But as we know, New Yorkers are fighters and the City will do everything in our power to ensure people have the resources they need at this critical time. **The City of New York will be bringing legal action and will have more to share in the coming days.**

Update you should know about the public charge rule:

- It will go into effect on October 15, 2019. (Anticipated litigation over the rule may change this timeline.)
- The rule will penalize low and middle income immigrants applying for a Green Card or certain types of visas, for using certain public benefits for which they are eligible.
- **Immigrants who are concerned about how the public charge rule might affect them or their loved ones can call ActionNYC at 311 or 1-800-354-0365 and say 'public charge' to access City-funded, trusted legal advice.**

Please share this update with your network. Resources in multiple languages will be made available shortly on nyc.gov/publiccharge.

CALENDAR

AUGUST

August 8, 2019 – Last Day of Summer School Elementary & MS students

August 9, 2019 - Last Day of Summer School – High Schools

- **Regents Exam - August 13–14, 2019**
- **Last instructional day for Extended School Year, Related Services, and Chapter 683 - August 13, 2019**

SEPTEMBER

Sep 05, 2019 First Day of School For all Students (Partial school day for pre- kindergarten public school students)