

**MINUTES**  
**Community District Education Council 30**  
**Calendar Meeting**  
**September 17, 2019**

The September Calendar Meeting of Community District Education Council 30 was held on Tuesday, September 17, 2019, in the Auditorium of P.S. 234 located at 30-15 29<sup>th</sup> Street, Long Island City, NY 11102.

Roberto Cruz, Co-President, called the Calendar meeting to order at 6:45PM.

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 Lakrafla  
Shannon Lee  
Amina Maiza  
Nuala O'Doherty  
Scott Sharinn

**Quarterly Meeting with PA/PTA Executive Boards and Installation Ceremony for District 30  
PA/PTA Elected Officers**

Ms. Alexander and Mr. Cruz thanked all elected officers for accepting these important roles and the work they are about to do on behalf of all students. Dr. Philip A. Composto, District 30 Superintendent read the oath and officially installed the PA/PTA officers present. Ms. Alexander, Mr. Cruz and Dr. Composto presented each with a certificate and gift.

**Office of Pupil Transportation (OPT) Presentation**

Alexandra Robinson, Executive Director, and Glenn Risbrook, Queens Borough Director, of NYC DOE Office of Pupil Transportation, explained improvements that have been completed and others yet to come. GPS had been installed on all special education buses and Geotab will be installed on general education buses. Currently, they are working on a parent app. Individual questions and answers followed. Parents are encouraged to contact Ms. Robinson and Mr. Risbrook directly.

**American Debate League**

Richard Connelly, Executive Director, announced that District 30 middle school students took first place in the summer debate competition. He presented Dr. Composto with a trophy.

**Make Queens Safer**

Cristina Furlong spoke about dangerous traffic conditions for our students. Schools should incorporate traffic safety in the safety plans and include safety plans in meetings. She asked the Council to consider a resolution in support of traffic safety.

Evan Rabin spoke about recent activities of Premier Chess.

Meredith Faltin from the Queens Climate project asked about schools that have been approved for solar and would like to raise community awareness.

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

The Superintendent’s report follows the minutes.

**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 adjourned at 9:08PM.

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**

- **2019 NYS Test scores rounded to the nearest tenth and District 30s District Ranking list were reviewed**
- **P.S. 171 Solar Panel Groundbreaking**

Public School 171 will have a Solar Groundbreaking Event on Monday, September 23, 2019, at 10:00 a.m. Logistics are still being worked on as well as the press release.

- **2019-2020 CAPPING**

Capping grades in schools occurs when large number of families seek to enroll their children in our schools. When the schools have filled their classes on a grade to capacity, the NYC DOE will cap the grade and will provide an overflow site. The following schools have been capped and an overflow site has been provided:

**CAPPING 2019-20** (as of 9/9/19)

<b>Sending School</b>	<b>Number/Grade of Students</b>	<b>Receiving School</b>
PS 84	2 – 3 <sup>rd</sup> grade	PS 2
PS 329	4 – kindergarten	PS 222

- **RENAMING OF Q228**  
The Members of the CEC are cordially invited to attend the renaming of Public School 228 on Saturday, October 5, 2019, at 1:00 p.m. (The Ivan Lafayette School).
- **Breakfast in the Classroom (BIC) Rollout for 2019–20**

To ensure all students have access to a free and nutritious breakfast at the start of the school day, the DOE will continue its expansion of Breakfast in the Classroom (BIC) during the 2019–20 school year. The BIC program is already operating in almost 500 buildings citywide.

**New D30 Breakfast in the Classroom Schools are:** Q011, Q078, Q084, Q092, Q152, Q171 Pre-K Center @ 46-08 5<sup>th</sup> Street.

The following District 30 schools have **rolled out Breakfast in the Classroom in the SY 2015-2019:** Q339 – The Woodside Community School, Q228, Q329 – East Elmhurst Elementary School, Q112, Q212, Q149, Q076, Q166, Q280, Q222, Q151, Q150, Q148, Q070, Q069, Q797 – PS 150 Annex.

- **NYC KIDS RISE – Save for College Program**

New York City Kids RISE has deposited over \$1.1 million in NYC Scholarship Accounts as part of the Save for College Program. Kids RISE announced the deposit of over \$300,000 into the NYC Scholarship Accounts of District 30's kindergarten and first-grade students thanks to Seamless, NY's largest and favorite takeout app, through its "Donate the Change" feature. Please see the attached and below:

*"The NYC Kids RISE Save for College Program, a universal scholarship and savings program that launched in District 30, has now deposited more than \$1.1 million into these NYC Scholarship Accounts as an early investment in these students' college and career training futures. During the kindergarten graduation ceremony at P.S. 69 Jackson Heights, Sami Naim, Director of Public Policy for Grubhub (which owns the NYC-based Seamless brand), and Jessica Burns, Vice President of Brand Marketing & Creative for Grubhub, presented a \$300,000 check on behalf of its diners to the NYC Kids RISE Save for College Program Community, represented by Dr. Philip Composto, District 30 Community Superintendent; Martha Vazquez, Principal of P.S. 69; Dana Zucker, Chair of NYC Kids RISE and Executive Director of the Gray Foundation; Debra-Ellen Glickstein, Executive Director of NYC Kids RISE; Murray Abeles, Chief of Administration and Finance at NYC Kids RISE; and Jennifer Diaz, Director of Constituent Services, Office of Assembly member Catalina Cruz."*

### **Distribute Military Recruitment Opt-Out Letters**

In accordance with Chancellor's Regulation A-825, schools must distribute military recruiting opt-out letters to all students in grades 9–12, and their families, by **October 4**. School officials are encouraged to collect the majority of student opt-out letters during an advisory, homeroom, or humanities instructional period, and on the same day that the letters are distributed. The final deadline to collect completed opt-out forms is **October 18**.

#### **Military Opt-Out Letters**

Federal law requires the NYC Department of Education to provide the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of high school students to military recruiters and institutions of higher education that request this information. While we are committed to protecting the confidentiality of our students, we must comply with the law. Students and parents may opt-out of releasing information to the military and/or institutions of higher learning.

Transportation Support Resources Available

Attached please find the Transportation Overview for Families one-page guide for your review.

### **Updated Guidance on Immunization Requirements**

Below please see the updated information regarding NYS Immunization Requirements. All immunization requirements documents and their translations can be found on the DOE website by searching 'Immunizations': <https://www.schools.nyc.gov/school-life/health-and-wellness/immunizations#site-main>.

- Students who are not up-to-date on immunization requirements must receive the first dose in each immunization series by September 19, 2019 to provisionally remain in school or childcare.
  - If students do not receive the first dose of each immunization series by **September 19**, principals should send home the warning letter
- Additionally, by October 7, parents or guardians of such children will need to show that they have scheduled appointments for all follow-up doses
  - If the student is not in compliance or cannot show a scheduled appointment by October 7, the student will be excluded from attending school and should be sent home an exclusion letter
- A parent requesting a medical exemption must be given a Medical Request for Immunization Exemption form to be completed by the student's physician
- Students must complete the entire series of immunizations to comply with the law.

### **SEPTEMBER CALENDAR 2019**

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**1. Thu, Sep 12, 2019**

**Parent Teacher Conferences for Elementary Schools and K-8 Schools (Evening)**

4:30 PM - 8:00 PM

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**2. Thu, Sep 19, 2019**

**Parent Teacher Conferences for Middle Schools (Evening)**

4:30 PM - 8:00 PM

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**3. Thu, Sep 26, 2019**

**Parent Teacher Conferences for High Schools K-12 and 6-12 Schools (Evening)**

4:30 PM - 8:00 PM

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**4. Mon, Sep 30, 2019 - Tue, Oct 01, 2019**

**Rosh Hashanah (Schools closed)**

All Day

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