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Resolution #118

Regarding the Need for an Improved System for Tracking, Recruiting and Positioning Crossing Guards

Whereas, the safety of our students is of paramount concern for all families; and

Whereas, under the present process for allocating crossing guards we lose an average of one child per year to avoidable traffic accidents in our District alone; and

Whereas, a canvas of our principals demonstrates that we are 17 crossing guards short of meeting minimum requirements in District 30; and

Whereas, six public schools in District 30 have no crossing guards, with four of them being elementary schools; and

Whereas, Vision Zero cannot be implemented without an effective use of crossing guards; and

Whereas, New York City Council and members of the Public Safety Committee are proposing two bills, one creating a public advisory board to make the present antiquated system more responsive to school families' needs and the second bill to map locations of crossing guards and coordinate the efforts of the Department of Transportation, Department of Education, and Police Department in creating safer routes to school.

Therefore Be It Resolved, that Community District Education Council 30 strongly supports City Council's efforts to reevaluate the system for tracking, recruiting and positioning crossing guards on our dangerous street corners and that there are ample funds available to implement improvements to the present inefficient and unaccountable system.

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