## **COMMUNITY EDUCATION COUNCIL DISTRICT 30**



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## **RESOLUTION #176**

## CALLING ON NYCPS TO PRIORITIZE LOW-INCOME FAMILIES FOR SUMMER RISING SEATS

**WHEREAS**, Summer Rising is a partnership between New York City Public Schools ("NYCPS") and the Department of Youth and Community Development that offers free, full-day academic and enrichment programming for K-8 students during July and August;

WHEREAS, in 2023, there were already 45,000 more applicants than Summer Rising seats;<sup>[1]</sup>

**WHEREAS**, Mayor Adams announced that the Friday program will be cut for middle school students and the overall daily program will be reduced by two hours, ending at 4pm instead of 6pm;<sup>[2]</sup>

WHEREAS, summer child care is expensive and difficult to find; [3]

## THEREFORE:

**BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Community Education Council for District 30 calls on NYCPS to prioritize students eligible for free or reduced price lunch when offering seats in a Summer Rising program and to look into a sliding scale model for other students to pay for additional seats until such time as NYCPS can return to offering a fully-free program.

**BE IT RESOLVED,** that seats for students that are -**promotion in doubt-** and mandated to attend summer rising during the summer, should be separate from the available summer rising seats and should be funded independently from summer rising program funding, in order to ensure seat availability is equitable in all schools.

**VOTED AND APPROVED: December 11, 2023** 

<sup>[1]</sup> https://www.chalkbeat.org/newyork/2023/5/24/23736580/summer-rising-applications-nyc-schools-seats/

<sup>[2]</sup> https://www.thecity.nyc/2023/11/16/budget-cuts-hit-city-hall-blames-migrant-crisis/

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