



# Community District Education Council 26

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**August 31, 2020 Calendar Meeting:**

**Present:** Alan Ong, Adriana Aviles, Cassandra Louie, Norman Cohn, Sandra Lau, David Wong, John Gavros, Todd Friedman, Seth Breland, Dilip Nath, Karen Rose Scutt and Logan Grodsky

Welcome –Adriana Aviles

Meeting called to order 6:25 PM

- I. Assembly member David Weprin updated the community.
- II. **Superintendent Report:**
  1. -Recognizing Principal Molly Wang (P.S. 173Q) for her service and achievements for District 26 families. Superintendent Giunta provided an overview of upcoming blended/remote learning (See addendum A ).
- III. Assembly member David Weprin updated the community.
- IV. UFT Mary Vaccaro- updated on strike authorization. We are hoping that the school reopening plans meet the safety criteria, we don't ever want to go to strike.
- V. **Dennis Mueller: District 26 Lunch Supervisor**
  - I want to ensure to you guys that we're collaborating with the DOH to ensure that we've adopted the best food safety practices. And as always, we are sanitizing we always wear gloves. We have face masks. We had just gotten face shields will be distributing them. d while remaining socially distance, you know, apart from, you know, packing, but we're just inch from each other at all times. And we're going to be providing aim the classroom upon and she to the building and we're going to be supplying a cold. Grab and Go style lunch as well. There are several different methods that each school can kind of home in on and adopt so that kind of depends on each individual school and the setup the principal wants. we could Distribute the breakfast and lunch at the same time as long as we ensure that the meal would be eaten within a four-hour period. We could have a grab and go stations set up wherever. The unit sized in a bag the child's will come up to the station and it would be assigned as to what meal is and what location and they would pick up their meal and just move forward.
  - Allergies- There are schools that have opted out of peanut butter and jelly.
  - Remote students have to be registered to the building for take and go meals.
  - We are currently offering meals to the entire community between 3 to 5 PM in select locations.
  - We have a menu. It should be posted and are rotating.
- VI. President Council- President's Council is working with our members to make to get those elections taken care of by October 31 and there'll be new guidance announced probably on Thursday.
- VII. **Public Comment:**
  - When will we get programing? The current timeline we have, principals have a week to build programming and share it with families.

- What about Cohorts- We can send the cohorts out. Please be in touch with the principal and parent coordinator immediately. We encourage all parents to reach out to your principal and especially parent-coordinators.

Adriana Aviles motioned to adjourn meeting at 9:16 PM.

**August 31, 2020 Business Meeting:**

**Present:** Alan Ong, Adriana Aviles, Cassandra Louie, Norman Cohn, Sandra Lau, David Wong, John Gavros, Todd Friedman, Logan Grodsky, Dilip Nath, and Karen Rose Scutt

- I. **Minutes** were reviewed for July 23, 2020. Adriana Aviles motioned to pass the minutes. Motioned passed unanimously.
- II. **Budget Approval-** John Gavros motioned to approve budget . Motioned passed unanimously. See addendum A. .
- III. **President’s Report-** Council shared concerns to Superintendent.
- IV. **Members Report**
- V. **Adriana Aviles motioned to adjourn the at 10:08 PM.**

Addendum A-

### NYCDOE ReOpening Plan

[Link to the Plan on the DOE Website](#)

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### School ReOpening Plans

- How we will ensure consistent communication with students, staff, parents, and visitors on the reopening plan, COVID-19 procedure and related communications
- How will ensure how students are taught and trained on the new COVID-19 protocols safely and correctly
- Procedure for assessing potentially ill students and maintaining dedicated isolation area



# Recent Guidance

## Mayor de Blasio and Chancellor Carranza Announce "Outdoor Learning" Initiative

August 24, 2020

**NEW YORK**—Mayor de Blasio and Schools Chancellor Richard A. Carranza today announced "Outdoor Learning", a citywide outdoor learning initiative for the 2020-21 academic year. The program will allow schools to hold classes outdoors in schoolyards, adjacent streets, and nearby park space. The program is open to all public, charter, and private schools, as well as Learning Bridges. Schools in areas hardest-hit by COVID-19 with no outdoor space will receive priority for the program.

"We are doing everything in our power to bring our kids back to school safely," said **Mayor Bill de Blasio**. "Outdoor Learning will give all of our children the quality education they deserve in a safe and socially distanced environment."

"As a teacher and school leader, I always knew how important it was for kids to get some time outdoors, and as we get closer to reopening I'm excited to offer Outdoor Learning to all students," said **Schools Chancellor Richard A. Carranza**. "Our students deserve a safe, socially distanced way. Outdoor Learning provides an opportunity for working together to make this possible."

## Mayor de Blasio and Chancellor Carranza Announce Comprehensive School Air Safety Measures

August 25, 2020

**NEW YORK**— Mayor de Blasio and Schools Chancellor Carranza today announced a multi-pronged approach to addressing, monitoring, and reporting air quality and ventilation in every building by the first day of school. Beginning today, every space occupied by students, teachers and staff in a school building will be inspected by a citywide team of independent professional engineers to assess each space and determine adequate ventilation. Inspection criteria and standards were developed based on a thorough review of guidance from the CDC and WHO, as well as expert review by the New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene. Building inspection results will be publicly shared on a rolling basis beginning this week through Friday, September 4th.

"With our record-low infection rates, New York City is the safest city in America," said **Mayor Bill de Blasio**. "The verdict is clear: our plan to reopen schools is the strongest in the country and among the most rigorous in the world. I want all students and staff to enter our school buildings this fall with full reassurance that they will be safe."



## Mayor de Blasio, First Lady Mccray and Chancellor Carranza Announce "Bridge to School"

August 26, 2020

*Citywide focus in schools this fall on addressing trauma will give communities the tools they need to provide safe, supportive schools*

**NEW YORK**—Mayor Bill de Blasio, First Lady Chirlane McCray, and Schools Chancellor Richard A. Carranza today announced "Bridge to School," a Citywide initiative for the 2020-21 school year focused on the social and emotional well-being of students and adults in order to create a safe, supportive learning environment that confronts the trauma caused by the COVID-19 crisis. As a result, schools will be equipped to integrate trauma-informed practices into school reopening, and build out mental health supports in schools.



Danielle Giunta



Tara Davidson

# Programming Models

**Model 1:** 14% of district; 4 schools + 178 MS

**Model 2:** 71% of district; 20 Schools + 178 ES

**Model 3:** 11% of district; 3 Schools

Model 1A

Week	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
	Group D (Remote)				
1	Group A	Group A	Group B	Group A	Group B
2	Group B	Group A	Group B	Group A	Group B

Model 1B

Week	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
	Group D (Remote)				
1	Group A	Group A	Group A	Group B	Group B
2	Group B	Group A	Group A	Group B	Group B

Model 2

Week	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
	Group D (Remote)				
1	Group A	Group B	Group A	Group B	Group C
2	Group B	Group C	Group A	Group B	Group C
3	Group C	Group A	Group A	Group B	Group C

Model 3A

Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Mon.
Group D (Remote)					Group D
Group A	Group B	Group C	Group A	Group B	Group C

6-Day Rotation

Model 3B

Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Mon.
Group D (Remote)					Group D
Group A	Group A	Group B	Group B	Group C	Group C

6-Day Rotation

## Blended Model

- Cohort Letters



- 100% of D26 Schools using Google Classroom as the Learning Management System (LMS)

## Remote Only ~47% of District

Families who choose full-time remote learning will be able to reevaluate their choice during certain set time periods to change their preference and have their child to receive in-person instruction instead.

- These set time periods will be communicated to schools and families at the beginning of the school year.
- When families choose to switch their student to in-person instruction, schools will make every effort to accommodate these requests based on programming and space capacity.
- The window will close at least two weeks prior to when the student would switch to in-person instruction to allow schools and families sufficient time to prepare.

## Teaching and Learning continued...

- **One-on-One Teacher Support:** teachers will have 20 minutes of office hours every day to engage students and families via video conference or telephone.
- **Lunch in the Classroom:** In-person student lunch will be modeled off of our Breakfast in the Classroom program. All health and safety guidelines for in-person learning will be maintained during this time, which will be staggered throughout the school day from 10AM–2PM.
  - a. In elementary schools, students will engage in an instructional activity that is fun, engaging and enriching, such as interactive read-alouds, social-emotional learning, content through music, etc.
  - b. In middle and high schools, students will engage with instruction related to a specific content area.
- **Community-Building:** All students will start and close their day with a routine that builds community, centers the day, and sets them up for success. This will provide all students with the same type of community- and relationship-building that is an integral part of a typical school experience.



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- **Social-emotional support:** Social-emotional activities should be integrated into academic subjects to the greatest extent possible throughout the day
- **Teachers:** Students engaging in remote learning, will, for the most part, be taught by teachers from their school. While there may be some limited exceptions on a school-by-school basis, parents can expect their children to be assigned teachers from their school when they receive their full schedule before the school year begins.
- **Grading:** Students engaged in remote learning must meet the same academic policies as students engaged in blended learning. Student grades must be based on student demonstration of the learning standards and competencies addressed in the remote or blended course. As with all courses, the NYCDOE subject-certified teacher overseeing the course is responsible for designing or selecting assessments to gauge student progress. These may include projects, exams administered within or outside the online platform, portfolios, and other measures of student mastery.

