



CALL TO ACTION!

The budget conversation in Albany is underway, and we need you to impact it at the local level. Please reach out to all of your state Senators and Assembly Members. Tell them NYC students and parents can wait no longer for fully-funded schools.

Find your state legislators [here](#) and urge them to:

- **Give NYC schools their CARES Act funds and CFE funds.** Cuomo can't continue to balance his budget on the backs of children.
- **Demand Accountability and Transparency Reforms to Charters. Support State Senate Bills [S.676](#), [S.548](#), [S.1098](#), [S.1117](#), [S 1973](#), and [S.4200](#).** These bills curb the grade revisions that allow for charter school expansion and give CECs the ability to vote to approve charters in their community school districts. They repeal the mandate to provide free space to charter schools, facilitate city audits of charters and call for an end to SUNY's unaccountable authorization power. The final bill creates more regulation and public reporting from charter schools and their private charter management organizations (CMOs).
- **Do not revive the Zombie Charters! Keep the Cap!** Cuomo's budget attempts to maneuver around the Charter Cap by reissuing previously surrendered charters. With enrollment in decline in NYC, this is not the time to authorize new experiments that drain already dwindling per-pupil funds with minimal accountability. This is the time to bolster and fully resource public schools.
- **Create more permanent revenue streams. Support the [Invest in Our NY Act](#), as well as various revenue generating bills including [S1513/A5442](#), [S917](#), [S3215](#), [A4000](#), and amendments to [S4699](#).** Our children's futures cannot be contingent on federal action alone. The state must step up and do its job.