



COMMUNITY EDUCATION COUNCIL DISTRICT 15

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Calendar and Business Meeting

President's Updates - Antonia Ferraro Martinelli

President's intro 2024 08 20

Because we have so much business to take care of tonight, I want to be brief, but I do have a few updates.

New FACE Liaison

Effective Monday, August 19th, CEC15's newly assigned FACE specialist will be Anthony Aguilar.

Update on PC interviews

On Monday, July 15th Hans, Katina and I interviewed PC candidates for:

15K456 - Amelia McKenzie (Malika Johnson-Willis, Principal, *IA*) has experience as paraprofessional and restorative justice coordinator. Employed by DOE since 2016. (the new PBL elementary school 80 Flatbush)

15K146 - Shalisha Jackson (Diane Castelucci, Principal) has been at BNS since 2008 in various roles including STH coordinator, afterschool director, Educational assistant

15K428 - Angelica Ma (Cybi Ip, Principal *IA*) fluent in Cantonese and Spanish (new DLP Middle School)

Jonathan Davis participated in a PC interview at PS 230

PS 230 - Ummeh Kashem

Ummeh had interned at PS 230 two years ago with our guidance counselor and even as an intern, she really jumped right into our community. She even created and led a parent workshop on mental health.

Supporting Complete Student Safety

On Aug 8 I attended a six-hour DOE/UFT event entitled Supporting Complete Student Safety. It was held at UFT headquarters. The Chancellor and Mark Rampersant and various DOE and NYPD officials spoke on topics that included:

- Illegal Cannabis



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- Fentanyl
- Human and Labor Trafficking
- Gangs
- Subway Surfing
- Water Safety and Awareness

They are available to present at schools and PTA meetings. Reach out FACE for more information.

Update from PS 372

Join DEC and DOH to learn about the Gowanus Canal Area Wide Soil Vapor Intrusion Investigation.

COMMUNITY AVAILABILITY SESSION Thursday, September 19, 7-9 p.m. P.S. 372 – The Children’s School Gymnasium – 215 1st Street

Share in Chat

For more on State availability sessions, go to

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5XomDsUkc_k

Update from PS 15

Katina Rogers, is the liaison for PS 15. She could not be in attendance tonight, but informed us that renovations are on a better path at PS15. I am going to ask that Katina provide an update on PS 15 at the next meeting. Our September Calendar meeting will be held at PS 15 on Tues. Sept. 24 so we can check in with the principal and school directly.

IBO School Budget Office Hours

Tomorrow evening the IBO is offering **School Budget Office Hours!**

SHARE LINK IN CHAT!

- [Wednesday, August 21, 5pm-7pm](#)

Each month, the IBO’s Education team hosts virtual office hours, for any community member to drop in and ask questions related to their school budget. Their team can help identify how much Fair Student Funding money your school is set to receive, or other planned money for your school—such as for class size reduction, or “hold harmless” funds to adjust for enrollment declines. So if you are interested, attend through the link posted in the chat.



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Camp Friendship School Supply Drive

The offices of council member Shahana Hanif, State Sen Andrew Gournardes, and Ass. Member JoAnn Simon are accepting donations from now through 8/23 for the Camp Friendship's School Supply Drive!

Add to chat

Got to this link to see details on desired supplies and drop-off locations [here](#).

AQE Education Warriors

Applications for the Ed Warrior Program are now officially open!

If you are interested in deepening your skills as an education justice advocate and parent leader, consider applying to the Ed Warrior Program. The Ed Warriors program is an 8-10 session community and skills-building series. Participants will learn about statewide policies that affect education, NY's political landscape, & a deep dive into organizing, public speaking, & more!

Apply Here

Key Dates:

- Applications are due by August 26th
- Interviews will take place between August 5th and September 23rd
- Decisions will be shared the week of September 30th
- The program will run once a month from October - June. (*From January - March, we will meet once every two weeks*)