



## COMMUNITY EDUCATION COUNCIL DISTRICT 15

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Calendar and Business Meeting

### **President's Report - Leslie King 1st Vice President**

*All remarks prepared by President Antonia Ferraro Martinelli*

Good evening Everyone. Thank you for joining us tonight for our June Calendar Meeting. June is a very busy month. It is Caribbean Heritage Month and Black Music Month. It is the month of Pride and Father's Day. It is also the month of religious holiday. I wish a belated Happy Shavuot and Eid Mubarak to those that observed, and of course Happy Juneteenth!

CEC15 was active in several district events. On Jun 8, Vanessa and Antonia participated along with our Presidents' Council at D15 Learning Together family day at PS 32. It was a fun day with carnival activities. This was one of our Family Leadership Coordinator, Christine Farrell's projects. She did a fantastic job. I understand that Christine has resigned. She contributed so much to our district over the years. She is an indispensable source of knowledge and we will miss her tremendously.

On Tues. Jun 18, we held our celebration of the D15 Diversity Plan: 5 Years Later at MS 88. The event was well attended. It was great to see all of those who contributed to the success of the D15 Diversity Plan, including former Superintendent Anita Skop.

#### **Add to chat**

Please see the [LinkTree](#) to review the diversity plan evaluation and reflection report (also attached) including translations

Read about in the NYTimes - **D15 Diversity Plan - 5 Years Later**

<https://www.nytimes.com/2024/06/20/nyregion/brooklyn-middle-schools-integration.html?searchResultPosition=4>

#### **Summer Meals**

NYCPS offers summer meal service beginning on June 27 and continuing through August 30. Breakfast is offered from 8:00-9:15, and lunch runs from 11:00-1:15. Meals are served Mondays through Fridays, with the exception of July 4-5.



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### PS 295/ PS 10 Merger/Split Siting

PS 295 and PS 10 are in very early conversations about possible solutions to the low enrollment at PS 295. Liaisons Hans Arrieta and Nancy Cruz were invited into SLT meetings two weeks ago, where the idea of a merger was discussed. Hans, would you like to provide a summary?

**Katina Rogers** - Join me in welcoming our new member Katina Rogers. Katina, would you like to introduce yourself?

This is also our final Calendar Meeting of the 2023-24 school year. I want to briefly reflect on the work that this council has done. We have passed several resolutions:

- CEC15 Supported the MS 447 Name Change
- CEC15 Support Students with Personal Information Compromised in June 2023 Data Breach.
- CEC15 Asked the NYSED to Adjust Interpretation of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act
- CEC15 Opposed the 60-day Limitation on Shelter Stays for Families of Public School Students
- CEC15 Urged the DOE to implement the proposals of the Class Size Working Group and comply with the New Class Size Law
- CEC15 Support of Sustaining Key Education Programs Funded with Expiring Federal COVID-19 Relief
- CEC15 Urged the Implementation of Daylighting Provisions at Intersections throughout Community School District 15
- CEC15 Signed on to a Memorandum of Opposition to A1799/S2967 establishing the Citywide Leadership Team in New York City
- And Signed on to a Call to Sustain the Removal of District Priority in Manhattan
- And CEC15 worked for three months in collaboration with families on a Resolution to Prevent and Respond to Hate Speech

I want to thank my fellow council members for their contributions, their collaboration, and cooperation. They have challenged me to rise to their expectations of the office of CEC15 president.