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## Senator Jesse Hamilton, Assembly Member Jo Anne Simon, and NYC Council Member Brad Lander to Hold Forum on High Stakes Testing

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*Forum to bring together principals, teachers, parents, and education advocates for community dialogue*

**Brooklyn, NY** – Senator Hamilton, Assembly Member Simon, and Council Member Lander will co-host a forum on Wednesday April 15, 2015 (7pm - 9pm) at the Old First Reformed Church, 729 Carroll St, Brooklyn.

There have been discussions within schools, but fewer opportunities for multiple school communities to gather and exchange ideas, thoughts, and concerns. The community dialogue on high stakes testing will provide an opportunity for elected officials to hear from the community and give updates on budgetary, legislative, and political developments. Parents and educators from more than twenty schools have been invited. The school-to-school, grassroots dialogue will include discussion of recent developments.

<b>WHO:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Senator Jesse Hamilton (moderator)</li> <li>• Assembly Member Jo Anne Simon</li> <li>• City Council Member Brad Lander</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Zipporiah Mills, Principal of PS 261</li> <li>• Takiema Bunche Smith, Parent and inaugural Director of the Early Education L</li> <li>• Mary Beth Carroll, Special Education Teacher and Reading Specialist at PS 372/Th</li> <li>• Jody Drezner Alperin, PS 10 Parent Organizer</li> <li>• Ann Cook, Time Out From Testing</li> </ul>
<b>WHAT:</b>	Panel Discussion & Forum
<b>WHEN:</b>	<p>Wednesday, April 15, 2015, 7 pm – 9 pm</p> <p>RSVP to: <a href="http://Tinyurl.com/SchoolForum">Tinyurl.com/SchoolForum</a></p>

<b>WHERE:</b>	Old First Reformed Church  729 Carroll St. at 7 <sup>th</sup> Ave.  Brooklyn, NY 11215

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