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Opposing Co-location of Success Charter Network in District 2 Schools

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On May 1, I sent a letter to the SUNY Charter Schools Institute and the New York State Board of Regents urging them to reject Success Charter Network's application to operate two new charter schools in existing public school buildings in Community School District 2 (D2). The letter was also read into the record at a hearing on the application held that evening by the New York City Department of Education. As I wrote, I strongly believe that any available space in the district should be used to combat overcrowding and high class sizes or to accommodate the growth of existing high-performing public schools. I will continue to fight alongside the D2 Community Education Council and the wider D2 community to ensure that charter schools do not take precedence over—or resources from—our traditional public schools.