

**New York State Senate Standing Committees on Education and NYC Education Joint
Hearing on the Judith Kaye Solutions Not Suspensions Act (S1040)**

Senate Hearing Room, 250 Broadway, 19th Floor

Friday, May 12th, 10am

Purpose: To examine school policies related to discipline and suspension, and hear from stakeholders about proposed legislation, S1040.

Panel 1

New York City Department of Education

Mark Rampersant, Chief of Safety and
Prevention Partnerships
Kenyatte Reid, Executive Director, Office of
Safety and Youth Development

Panel 2

Office of the New York City Public Advocate

Public Advocate Jumaane Williams

Panel 3

Urban Youth Collaborative

Aji Gaye
Aylin Frias
Ashley Nacipucha
James Alvarez
Keyanna Bernard
Lunna Cuevas
Nevaeh Richardson
Salma Fajardo
Valeria Rengifo
Valerie Sorto
Anonymous Student

Panel 4

Girls for Gender Equity

Ruksana Ruhee

New York Civil Liberties Union

Jonathan Lam
Tapuwanashe Hightower

Healing-Centered Schools Working Group

Liana Garcia

Formerly Impacted Student

Smitha Varghese

Panel 5

United Federation of Teachers

Michael Mulgrew, President
Jennifer Rosari, Social Worker

Council of School Supervisors and
Administrators

Dale Kelly, First Vice President

Panel 6

The Legal Aid Society

Melinda Andra, Director, Kathryn A.
McDonald Education Advocacy Project

Legal Services NYC

Nelson Mar, Senior Staff Attorney, Education
Law Unit, Bronx Legal Services
Rasheedah Brown-Harris, Education
Advocate, Bronx Legal Services
Tara Foster, Senior Staff Attorney, Queens
Legal Services

Brooklyn Defender Services

Anna Arkin-Gallagher, Supervising Attorney &
Policy Counsel, Education

Mobilization for Justice

Andrew Gerst, Staff Attorney, Warren
Sinsheimer Children's Rights Project

Northwest Bronx Community and Clergy
Coalition

Dr. Lauren Jen

Panel 7

Alliance for Quality Education

Amshula Jayaram, Campaigns Director
Zakiyah Shaakir-Ansari, Advocacy Director

Advocates for Children of New York

Dawn Yuster, Director of the School Justice
Project

Citizens' Committee for Children of New York

Rebecca Charles, Policy and Advocacy
Associate
Dayviana McFadden

Practitioner

Jessica Taube, Licensed Social Worker and
Restorative Justice Practitioner

Panel 8

Long Island Advocacy Center

Christine Bingham

Coalition for Asian American Children and Families

Naomi Chou, Education Policy Coordinator

Lives in the Balance

Dr. Ross Greene, Founding Director

Citizen Action of New York

Shoshana Hershkowitz, Statewide Organizer for Education and Childcare

NYU Metro Center

Reed Swier, Co-Director of Innovations in Equity & Systemic Change

Panel 9

Researcher

Dr. Kirkland Vaughans, Clinical Director and Supervisor, Gordon F. Derner School of Psychology, Adelphi University

Researcher

Dr. Anne Gregory, Professor, Rutgers University

Researcher

Dr. Warren Spielberg, Associate Teaching Professor, The New School

Researcher

Dr. Heather Clarke, Adjunct Professor at New York University and Brooklyn College

Panel 10

Education Council Consortium

Erika Kendall, Education Justice Leader

Parents Supporting Parents

Tanesha Grant, Executive Director

Community Education Council District 14

Tajh Sutton, President

Parent

Diana Grullon

Parent

Karen Cruz

Panel 11

Youth Represent

Psyc Wilson, Youth Development Coordinator

Kings Against Violence Initiative

Ramik Williams, Co-Executive Director

Urban Assembly

David Adams, Chief Executive Officer

Teacher

Jia Lee

Staff Member

Dermott Myrie