



NEW YORK STATE LEGISLATURE

2021 JOINT BUDGET HEARING

January 28th, 2021 – 9:30 AM

ELEMENTARY & SECONDARY EDUCATION

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| 1. New York State Education Department | Betty A. Rosa
Interim Commissioner |
| 2. New York City Department of Education | Richard A. Carranza
Chancellor |

Panel A:

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| 3. United Federation of Teachers - UFT | Michael Mulgrew
President |
| 4. New York State United Teachers - NYSUT | Andrew Pallotta
President |

Panel B:

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| 5. Conference of Big 5 School Districts | Jennifer K. Pyle
Executive Director |
| 6. Syracuse City School District | Jaime Alicea
Superintendent |
| 7. Buffalo Public Schools | Will Keresztes
Chief of Intergovernmental Affairs |
| 8. Rochester City School District | Dr. Lesli Myers-Small
Superintendent |
| 9. Yonkers Public Schools | Dr. Edwin Quezada
Superintendent |

Panel C:

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| 10. 4201 Schools Association | Dr. Bernadette Kappen
Co-Chair |
| 11. NY Association on Independent Living | Lindsay Miller
Executive Director |
| 12. Advocates for Children of New York | Randi Levine
Policy Director |
| 13. Special Support Services | Amber Decker
NYC Public School Parent |
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Panel D:

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| 14. Alliance for Quality Education | Jasmine Gripper
Executive Director |
| 15. StudentsFirstNY | Crystal McQueen-Taylor
Chief Advocacy Officer |
| 16. NYS Community Schools Network | Alli Lidie
Network Lead |
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Panel E:

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| 17. NYS Council of School Superintendents | Robert Lowry
Deputy Director |
| 18. Council of School Supervisors and
Administrators | Mark Cannizzaro
President |
| 19. School Administrators Association of NYS | Cynthia E. Gallagher
Director of Government Relations |
| 20. NYS School Boards Association | Brian C. Fessler
Director of Gov't Relations |
| 21. ASBO New York | Brian S. Cechnicki
Executive Director |
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Panel F:

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| 22. New York Charter School Association | Yomika Bennett
Executive Director |
| 23. Charter Parent Council | Maria S Cruz
Charter Parent |
| 24. NYC Charter School Center | James Merriman |

CEO

25. Charter Parent Council of New York State

Sabrina Skelton
Charter/ DOE Charter

Panel G:

26. New York Library Association

Briana McNamee
Dir. Govt. Relations and Advocacy

27. Association of Public Broadcasting
Stations of New York

Christopher Goeken
Executive Director

Panel H:

28. NY Association for Pupil Transportation

David F. Christopher
Executive Director

29. NYS School Facilities Association

Fred Koelbel
Legislative Committee Co-Chair

30. New York School Bus Contractors Association

Corey Muirhead
President

Panel I:

31. Rural Schools Association of NYS

David A. Little, Esq.
Executive Director

32. New York State Catholic Conference

James Cultrara
Director of Education

33. League of Women Voters of New York State

Marian Bott
Education Finance Specialist

Panel J:

34. Greater Rochester Parent Leadership
Training Institute

Kearstin Brown
Member Education Committee

35. Lower Hudson Education Coalition

Karen Belanger
Administrator

36. Community Education Council District 15

Antonia Ferraro Martinelli
CEC15 Co- Vice President