

RESOLUTION TO PROTECT ALL STUDENTS OF NEW YORK CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Resolution

WHEREAS the marginalization and discrimination of any New York City Public School (NYCPS) student is unacceptable and stands in direct opposition to the tenets set forth by this Panel.

WHEREAS the existence of bigotry, hatred, and prejudice have no place in our school system and the Panel supports efforts to provide inclusive, compassionate, and empowering environments conducive to holistic development.

WHEREAS all students should be able to obtain educational experiences void of hatred and discrimination, regardless of actual or perceived race, color, creed, ethnicity, national origin, citizenship/immigration status, religion, gender, gender identity, gender expression, age, sexual orientation, height, disability, or weight.

WHEREAS parent leaders have an obligation to represent *ALL* members of their constituencies.

WHEREAS the Panel acknowledges that NYCPS parent leadership positions—particularly pertaining to the welfare and wellbeing of NYCPS students and their families—are filled with difficult decisions, and opportunities for education. This Panel is no exception as it continues down a path of self-improvement, accountability, and growth.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Panel is committed to working with NYCPS and all Community Education Councils to continue fostering inclusivity and respect for all students.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Panel supports NYCPS' commitment to Respect for All and systemic, anti-discrimination and harassment policies and practices.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Panel is committed to the protection of all students, including those who are transgender, and urges this standard for local governance groups.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Panel supports the current NYCPS *Guidelines to Support Transgender and Gender Expansive Students*.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Panel calls for NYCPS to continue its standard of inclusivity and excellence when responding to resolutions that stand in open defiance of its values and structures designed to support students.