

During these unprecedented times when many of our families and students have been experiencing tremendous hardships, we are working together as a community to ensure that we hear from all parents and stakeholders about what is on everyone's mind: school reopening. I want to reassure our community that District 14 Principals have been meeting with their School Leadership Teams and are conducting family town halls to consult reopening models and to provide the most current information to all parents. Parents have a lot of concerns and questions about reopening and we are making every effort to listen to them and to reassure them that safety and health of all children, staff members and families are our priority in the decision making. This is what is guiding the Chancellor and us in reopening plans.

Similarly, my team, in collaboration and partnership with CEC 14 and D14 Presidents' Council held a Family Forum on reopening (in English and in Spanish and are planning a one for Polish speaking families). We invited our colleagues from Brooklyn North Borough Central Office and the Executive Superintendent, Karen Watts to answer parents' questions about reopening and to share information. We had speakers from the divisions of Operations, Facilities, Special Education, School Climate and from the Office of Equity and Access. We gave parents an opportunity to send us their questions beforehand.

I am encouraging all parents and families to continue reaching out to their principals and to the District Office with their questions, ideas, feedback, and concerns. Only working together, we will make the September reopening safe for all. Parents and all community members can use the following email address to email the District Office. I invite our multilingual families to send their inquiries in their languages.

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