



TO: The Honorable Members of the Board of Regents

FROM: Christopher J. Halpin, Secretary

SUBJECT: Summary of the November 2023 Meeting

DATE: November 30, 2023

AUTHORIZATION(S):

SUMMARY

Issue for Decision

Should the Board of Regents approve the Summary of the November 2023 Meeting of the Board of Regents?

Reason(s) for Consideration

Not applicable.

Proposed Handling

This issue will come before the Full Board for action at its December 2023 meeting.

Procedural History

This document summarizes the actions of the Board of Regents during the monthly meeting and is brought before the Board the following month for approval.

Background Information

Not applicable.

Related Regent's Items

Not Applicable.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Regents take the following action:

Voted: That the Summary of the November 2023 Meeting of the Board of Regents of The University of the State of New York be approved.

Timetable for Implementation

Effective December 12, 2023.



**SUMMARY OF THE NOVEMBER 2023 MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS**

OF

THE UNIVERSITY OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

***Held at the Huxley Theater in the New York State Museum
and the State Education Building
Albany, New York***

November 13 and 14, 2023

***Christopher J. Halpin, Secretary
Board of Regents***

THE BOARD OF REGENTS

The Board of Regents of The University of the State of New York held a public session in Albany on Monday, November 13th at 9:00 a.m. in the Huxley Theater pursuant to a call to duty sent to each Regent.

MEETING OF THE FULL BOARD, Monday, November 13th at 9:00 a.m.

Board Members in Attendance:

Lester W. Young, Jr., *Chancellor*
Christine D. Cea
Wade S. Norwood
Judith Chin
Catherine Collins
Susan W. Mittler
Frances G. Wills
Aramina Vega Ferrer
Shino Tanikawa
Roger P. Catania
Adrian I. Hale

Also present were Commissioner, Betty A. Rosa, Executive Deputy Commissioner, Sharon Cates-Williams, Senior Deputy Commissioner for Education Policy, James Baldwin, Counsel and Deputy Commissioner for Legal Affairs, Daniel Morton-Bentley, and Secretary, Board of Regents, Christopher J. Halpin. Vice Chancellor Josephine Victoria Finn, Regents Roger Tilles, James E. Cottrell, and Luis O. Reyes were absent and excused.

ACTION ITEM

Executive Session Motion

MOVED, that the Board of Regents convene in executive session on Tuesday, November 14th at 10:25 am to discuss personnel and litigation matters.

Motion by: Regent Christine D. Cea
Seconded by: Regent Shino Tanikawa
Action: Motion passed unanimously.

PRESENTATION

New York State Graduation Measures Initiative: Recommendations from the Blue Ribbon Commission

Commissioner Rosa, Angelique Johnson-Dingle, Deputy Commissioner, P-12 Instructional Support, Santosha Oliver, Assistant Commissioner, Learning Standards & Instructional Programs, and Blue Ribbon Commission (BRC) Steering Committee Members, Elizabeth Angeles, Vice President for Advocacy, United Way of New York City, Dr. Lorna Lewis, Superintendent, Malverne Union Free School District, Tamara Mariotti, Coordinator of Accessibility Resources, Mohawk Valley Community College, Alprentice McCutchen, Social Studies Teacher, New Rochelle High School, Dr. Sagrario Rudecindo-O'Neill, Assistant Superintendent of Instruction and Student Support, Beacon City School District, and Kelly Whitney-Rivera, Director of Counseling, Valley Stream Central High School presented an overview of the recommendations put forth in the Blue Ribbon Commission on Graduation Measures Report (Attachment I).

Chancellor adjourned the meeting.

MEETING OF THE FULL BOARD, Tuesday, October 17 at 10:20 a.m. in the State Education Building

Board Members in Attendance:

Lester W. Young, Jr., *Chancellor*
Christine D. Cea
Wade S. Norwood
Judith Chin
Catherine Collins
Luis O. Reyes *
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** Per the Board of Regents policy for participating by videoconference under extraordinary circumstances, Regent Reyes participated remotely.*

ACTION ITEMS

**Charter Applications
BR (A) 1**

MOVED, that the Board of Regents approve each application in accordance with the recommendations contained in the summary table (See Appendix I).

**Summary of the October 2023 Meeting of the Board of Regents
BR (A) 2**

MOVED, that the Summary of the October 2023 Meeting of the Board of Regents of The University of the State of New York be approved.

Motion by: Regent Aramina Vega Ferrer
Seconded by: Regent Roger P. Catania
Action: Motion passed unanimously.

**State Education Department August 2023 Fiscal Report
BR (A) 3**

MOVED, that the Board of Regents approve the State Education Department October 2023 Fiscal Report as presented.

Motion by: Regent Roger P. Catania
Seconded by: Regent Aramina Vega Ferrer
Action: Motion passed unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS

PROGRAM AREA CONSENT ITEMS

Higher Education

**Permission to Operate: Northwestern University
BR (CA) 1**

MOVED, that the Board of Regents grant Northwestern University permission to operate a semester away program for its Master of Science in Journalism or Master of Science in Integrated Marketing Communications students, at its Medill in NYC location. This permission will be effective November 14, 2023, and end on November 30, 2028.

**Proposed Amendment of Section 80-3.12 of the Regulations of the Commissioner
of Education Relating to the Requirements for Certification as a School
Counselor through Individual Evaluation
BR (CA) 2**

MOVED, that section 80-3.12 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education be amended, as submitted, effective December 11, 2023, as an emergency rule upon a finding by the Board of Regents that such action is necessary for the preservation of the general welfare to ensure that candidates for the Initial School Counselor certificate can meet the educational requirements through individual evaluation in order to be certified and eligible for employment in our public schools and to ensure that the emergency action taken at the September 2023 meeting remains continuously in effect.

**Master Plan Amendment
BR (CA) 3**

MOVED, that the Board of Regents approve the master plan amendment application on the item summary table.

Higher Education/P-12 Education

**Proposed Amendment of Sections 80-2.9, 80-4.3, and 80-5.18 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education Relating to Flexibilities for the Supplementary Certificate and Supplementary Bilingual Education Extension Requirements in Response to the Influx of Recently Arrived and Asylum-Seeking Students
BR (CA) 4**

MOVED, that sections 80-2.9, 80-4.3, and 80-5.18 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education be amended, as submitted, effective December 11, 2023, as an emergency rule upon a finding by the Board of Regents that such action is necessary for the preservation of the general welfare to create flexibilities for the requirements for the Supplementary English to Speakers of Other Languages certificate and Supplementary Bilingual Education extension to address staffing challenges due to the influx of recently arrived and asylum-seeking students and to ensure that the emergency action taken at the September 2023 meeting remains continuously in effect.

P-12 Education

**Proposed Amendment to Section 100.2(ee) of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education Relating to Providing Flexibility for the Two-Step Identification Process for Academic Intervention Services (AIS) for Students Enrolled in Grades 3-8 for the 2023-2024 School Year
BR (CA) 5**

MOVED, that section 100.2(ee) of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education be amended, as submitted, effective November 29, 2023.

**Proposed Amendment of Section 100.13 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education Relating to Contracts for Excellence and Class Size Reduction in the City School District of the City of New York
BR (CA) 6**

MOVED, that section 100.13 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education be amended, as submitted, effective December 12, 2023, as an emergency rule upon a finding by the Board of Regents that such action is necessary for the preservation of the general welfare to immediately conform the Commissioner's regulations to Chapter 556 of the Laws of 2022, as amended by Chapter 86 of the Laws of 2023, and to ensure the emergency action taken at the September 2023 meeting remains continuously in effect.

**Proposed Amendment of Sections 100.19 and 100.21 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education Relating to Rebuilding the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) Accountability System Using 2022–2023 and 2023–2024 School Year Results
BR (CA) 7 - REVISED**

MOVED, that sections 100.19 and 100.21 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education be amended, as submitted, effective December 11, 2023, as an emergency rule upon a finding by the Board of Regents that such action is

necessary for the preservation of the general welfare to immediately align the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education with New York's ESSA Accountability State Plan, and to ensure that the emergency action taken at the September 2023 meeting remains continuously in effect.

**Proposed Amendment of Section 154-2.3 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education Relating to the Timeline for Initial Enrollment or Reentry Identification and Parent Notification, Orientation, and Placement of English Language Learners (ELLs)
BR (CA) 8 – REVISED**

MOVED, that section 154-2.3(g) of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education be amended, as submitted, effective December 11, 2023, as an emergency rule upon a finding by the Board of Regents that such action is necessary for the preservation of the general welfare to immediately provide flexibility to school districts experiencing an unanticipated increase in enrollment of speakers of languages other than English due to the current influx of asylum seekers.

Professional Practice

**(Re)Appointments of Members to the State Boards for the Professions and (Re)Appointments of Extended Members to the State Boards for the Professions for Service on Licensure Disciplinary and/or Licensure Restoration and Moral Character Panels
BR (CA) 9**

MOVED, that the Board of Regents approve the proposed (Re)Appointments of Members to the State Boards for the Professions and (Re)Appointments of Extended Members to the State Boards for the Professions.

**Report of the Committee on the Professions Regarding Licensing Petitions and Degree Conferrals
BR (CA) 10**

MOVED, that the Board of Regents approve the recommendations of the Committee on the Professions regarding the licensing petitions and degree conferrals.

**Proposed Addition of Section 76.11 to the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education Relating to Occupational Therapists' Authority to Provide Treatment for a Limited Time without a Referral
BR (CA) 11 - REVISED**

MOVED, that section 76.11 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education be amended, as submitted, effective November 29, 2023.

**Proposed Amendment to Section 79-13.5 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education Relating to Requirements for Restricted Licenses for Clinical Laboratory Technologists in Molecular Testing
BR (CA) 12**

MOVED, that section 79-13.5 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education be amended, as submitted, effective December 11, 2023, as an emergency action, upon a finding by the Board of Regents that such action is necessary for the preservation of the public health and general welfare in order to timely implement the provisions of Chapter 186 of the Laws of 2023, which became effective June 30, 2023, and to ensure the emergency action taken at the September 2023 meeting remains continuously in effect.

MOVED, that the Regents approve the consent agenda items.

Motion by: Regent Judith Chin
Seconded by: Regent Christine D. Cea
Action: Motion passed unanimously.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

ADULT CAREER AND CONTINUING EDUCATION SERVICES (ACCES)

Regents Adult Career and Continuing Education Services (ACCES) Committee

Members: Regent Cea, Co-Chair, Regent Tilles, Regent Norwood, Regent Chin, Regent Collins, Regent Reyes, Regent Mittler, Regent Tanikawa, Regent Catania, and Regent Hale.

The Adult Career and Continuing Education Services (ACCES) Committee held its scheduled meeting on November 13, 2023. All members were present except Regent Roger Tilles, and Regent Luis O. Reyes who were excused. Chancellor Lester W. Young, Jr., Regent Frances G. Wills, and Regent Aramina Vega Ferrer also attended the meeting.

MATTERS NOT REQUIRING BOARD ACTION

Oversight of Proprietary Schools - Department staff presented on the work done by the Bureau of Proprietary School Supervision (BPSS) and the type of oversight BPSS provides to private career schools within New York State.

P-12 EDUCATION

Regents Committee on P-12 Education: Vice Chancellor Finn, Co-Chair, Regent Chin, Co-Chair, Regent Tilles, Regent Cea, Regent Norwood, Regent Cottrell, Regent Wills, Regent Ferrer, Regent Tanikawa, Regent Catania, and Regent Hale.

The P-12 Education Committee held its scheduled meeting on November 13, 2023. All members were present except for Vice Chancellor Josephine V. Finn, Regent Roger Tilles, and Regent James E. Cottrell who were excused. Chancellor Lester W. Young, Jr., Regent Catherine Collins, and Regent Susan W. Mittler also attended the meeting but did not vote on the action items.

MATTERS NOT REQUIRING BOARD ACTION

Proposed Amendment of Section 100.5 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education Relating to Career and Technical Education (CTE) and Media Arts Course Flexibility for the Individual Arts Assessment Pathways (IAAP) and Career and Technical Education (CTE) Pathways to High School Graduation [P12 (D) 1] –

Department staff presented a proposed regulatory amendment to permit CTE certified teachers to instruct media arts courses for IAAP credit and to permit visual arts teachers to instruct such courses for CTE Pathway Credit.

Proposed Amendment of Section 119.1 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education Relating to the Calculation of Aid Attributable to Students with Disabilities Served in Charter Schools [P12 (D) 2] –

Department staff presented proposed amendments to the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education that pertain to charter school financing in order reflect changes in state funding allocations.

Proposed Amendment of Section 3.16 of the Rules of the Board of Regents Relating to Updates to Delegation of Authority Regarding Charter Revisions [P12 (D) 3] -

Department staff presented proposed amendments to the Rules of the New York State Board of Regents that pertain to the delegation of certain charter school revision actions to the Commissioner of Education.

Deputy Commissioner Jason Harmon reviewed the items on the Consent Agenda.

PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE

Professional Practice Committee Members: Regent Norwood, Co-Chair, Regent Cottrell, Co-Chair, Vice Chancellor Finn, Regent Cea, Regent Collins, Regent Wills, Regent Catania, and Regent Hale.

The Professional Practice Committee held its scheduled meeting on November 14, 2023. All members were present, except for Regent James E. Cottrell and Vice Chancellor Josephine Victoria Finn, who were excused. Chancellor Lester W. Young also attended the meeting but did not vote on any action.

ACTION ITEMS

Professional Discipline Cases [PCC EXS (A) 1 – 3; 6]

The Committee recommends that the reports of the Regents Review Committees, including rulings, findings of fact, determinations as to guilt, and recommendations, by unanimous or majority vote, contained in those reports which have been distributed to you, be accepted in 8 cases. In addition, your Committee recommends, upon the recommendation of the Committee on the Professions, that 20 consent order applications and 8 surrender applications be granted, and further recommends that 1 summary suspension application be granted.

These recommendations are made following the review of 37 cases involving eight registered professional nurses, six licensed practical nurses, three veterinarians, two

architects, two dentists, two licensed practical nurses who are also registered professional nurses, one certified public accountant, one chiropractor, one licensed clinical social worker, one licensed master social worker, one licensed master social worker who is also a licensed clinical social worker, one massage therapist, one physical therapist, one registered dental assistant, one registered professional nurse who is also a nurse practitioner in Adult Health, and one veterinary technician.

Restorations [PCC EXS (A) 4 - 5]

The Committee recommends that the application of Nisar Piracha for the restoration of his license to practice as a Physician in New York State be denied. [PPC EXS (A) 4]

The Committee recommends that the application of Joanne Tobias Baker for the restoration of her license to practice as a Dentist in New York State be denied. [PPC EXS (A) 5]

Proposed Amendment of Section 70.4 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education Relating to Licensing Examinations in the Profession of Public Accountancy [PPC (A) 1] - Department staff presented a proposed amendment to conform section 70.4 the Commissioner's Regulations to the national CPA licensing exam standards by revising the retention of credit provisions for CPA exam scores to properly calculate the time frame for passing all sections. This proposed amendment will enable the Department to effectively implement the impending national CPA Evolution changes. The proposed amendment will also make technical amendments to the Commissioner's Regulations to remove flexibilities concerning the 18-month retention period related to the COVID-19 pandemic and correcting cross-references.

The Committee recommends that section 70.4 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education be added, as submitted, effective January 1, 2024, as an emergency action, upon a finding that such action is necessary for the preservation of the public health and general welfare to conform the Commissioners' regulations to the national CPA licensing exam standards that are anticipated in or around January 2024 and to remain consistent with other jurisdictions.

The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION FOR ACTION BY FULL BOARD

The Professional Practice Committee recommends, and we move, that the Board of Regents act affirmatively upon each recommendation in the written report of the Committee's deliberations at its meeting on November 14, 2023, copies of which have been distributed to each Regent.

MATTERS NOT REQUIRING BOARD ACTION

Proposed Repeal and Addition of New Sections 52.11 and 62.1 of the Regulations of the Commissioner Related to the Registration of Curricula and Professional Study in Veterinary Medicine [PPC (D) 1] - Department staff presented for discussion a proposed amendments to sections 52.11 and 62.1 of the Commissioner's Regulations to

help to meet workforce challenges in veterinary medicine without sacrificing educational quality, by aligning requirements to programmatic accreditation standards that allow multiple program pathways to earning a doctoral degree in veterinary medicine.

Proposed Amendment of Section 29.15 of the Rules of the Board of Regents and Sections 79-9.6, 79-10.6, and 79-12.6 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education Relating to Mental Health Practitioners' Diagnostic Privilege [PPC (D) 2] -

Department staff presented for discussion a proposed revised amendment to the Commissioner's Regulations to clarify that an applicant who is licensed in New York prior to June 24, 2024, as a mental health counselor, marriage and family therapist, or psychoanalyst, may meet the experience requirement for the diagnostic privilege by either (1) submitting verification of completion of a supervised experience of at least 2,000 hours of supervised, direct client contact that includes, but is not limited to, diagnosis, psychotherapy and the development of assessment-based treatment plans; or (2) submitting an attestation of at least three years of experience engaged in direct client contact that includes diagnosis, psychotherapy and the development of assessment-based treatment plans. The privilege application and fee must be submitted by June 24, 2024. Additionally, the proposed revised amendment an incorrect reference to experience in section 79-10.6(f) of the Commissioner's Regulations was corrected to reference section 79-10.3(e), rather than section 79-10.3(d).

Deputy Commissioner Sarah Benson reviewed the items on the Consent Agenda.

MOVED, that the Committee Reports be approved.

Motion by: Regent Susan W. Mittler
Seconded by: Regent Christine D. Cea
Action: Motion passed unanimously.

APPOINTMENT

**Appointment of Dr. Jeffrey A. Matteson to the Senior Deputy Commissioner for Education Policy
BR (A) 4**

MOVED, that that the Board of Regents approve the appointment of Dr. Jeffrey A. Matteson to the position of Senior Deputy Commissioner for Education Policy.

Motion by: Regent Susan W. Mittler
Seconded by: Regent Christine D. Cea
Action: Motion passed unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Resignation of Regent Kathleen M. Cashin

Chancellor Young recognized the service of Regent Kathleen M. Cashin, who resigned from her position on the Board of Regents effective November 11, 2023. She has represented the 2nd Judicial District since 2011. Prior to that, Regent Cashin has dedicated over 35 years to the education of students in New York City.

Chancellor Young adjourned the meeting.

Appendix I
NEW YORK STATE BOARD OF REGENTS CHARTER ACTIONS

Name of Institution	Program Area	County of Location (City/Town)	Description of Charter Action(s)
Bartow – Pell Mansion Museum and Gardens	CE	Bronx (Bronx)	Grant absolute charter in the first instance.
Berlin Free Town Library	CE	Rensselaer (Berlin)	Amend charter to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Specify the number of trustees to be not less than five nor more than eleven; • designate the library’s service area to be coterminous with the Town of Berlin; and • update IRS dissolution/tax exempt language.
Guilderland Public Library	CE	Albany (Guilderland)	Amend charter to change the trustee term length to be three years.
New York City Automobile Museum	CE	Richmond (Staten Island)	Grant provisional charter for five years.
Roscoe Free Library	CE	Sullivan (Roscoe)	Amend charter to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Specify the number of trustees to be not less than five nor more than fifteen; • designate Commissioner as agent for service; and • update IRS dissolution/tax exempt language.
Beit Rabban Day School	P12	New York (New York)	Amend charter to change the corporate address.
The Eis Laasois School	P12	Kings (Brooklyn)	Grant provisional charter for three years.
J.G.B Education Services	P12	New York (New York)	Dissolve absolute charter and approval to store records with the Lighthouse Guild, 250 West 64 th Street, New York, NY.
South Buffalo Catholic School	P12	Erie (Buffalo)	Extend provisional charter for three years.
Northeast College of Health Sciences	HE/OP	New York (New York)	Amend charter to add authority to confer the Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) and Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degrees.

Appendix II

REGENTS ACTIONS IN 37 PROFESSIONAL DISCIPLINE CASES AND 2 RESTORATION PETITIONS

November 13 - 14, 2023

The Board of Regents announced disciplinary actions resulting in the summary suspension of 1 license, revocation of 1 license, surrender of 8 licenses, and 27 other disciplinary actions. The penalty indicated for each case relates solely to the misconduct set forth in that particular case. In addition, the Board acted upon 2 restoration petitions.

I. SUMMARY SUSPENSION

Nursing

Erik Jarl Hjemdahl-Monsen; Registered Professional Nurse; Springville, CT 14141; Lic. No. 635848; Cal. No. 33967; Application for summary suspension granted.

II. REVOCATION & SURRENDERS

Chiropractic

Ronald Bernardini; Chiropractor; Lake Ronkonkoma, NY 11779-4172; Lic. No. 002929; Cal. No. 33817; Application to surrender license granted. Summary: Licensee admitted to the charge of having been convicted of Endangering the Welfare of a Child, a class A misdemeanor.

Massage Therapy

Joshua Jay Lagace; Massage Therapist; Troy, NY 12182-2724; Lic. No. 028918; Cal. No. 33442; Application to surrender license granted. Summary: Licensee admitted to the charge of inappropriate draping during a massage, and inappropriately massaging body parts.

Nursing

Sherry Kay Scopino; Licensed Practical Nurse; Port Jervis, NY 12771; Lic. No. 155130; Cal. No. 33663; Found guilty of professional misconduct; Penalty: Revocation.

Leroy Alphanso Bromfield; Registered Professional Nurse; Saint Albans, NY 11412-1505; Lic. No. 564070; Cal. No. 33410; Application to surrender license granted. Summary: Licensee did not contest the charge of failing to attempt to resuscitate a patient in distress.

Inga Slipchenko; Registered Professional Nurse; Philadelphia, PA 19116-3622; Lic. No. 751839; Cal. No. 33832; Application to surrender license granted. Summary: Licensee admitted to the charge of having been convicted of Health Care Fraud, a felony.

Kathy J. Hanville a/k/a Kathy Jo Hanville; Registered Professional Nurse; Elmira, NY 14904-2717; Lic. No. 542193; Cal. No. 33848; Application to surrender license granted. Summary: Licensee did not contest the charge of practicing nursing in the State of Texas on various dates in May and June 2019 while unable to safely practice due to mental disability.

Public Accountancy

Thomas Richard Vreeland; Certified Public Accountant; Lambertville, NJ 08530-3530; Lic. No. 060409; Cal. No. 33136; Application to surrender license granted. Summary: Licensee did not contest the charge of having voluntarily consented to the denial of the privilege of appearing or practicing before the United States Securities and Exchange Commission.

Social Work

Daniel Dresdner; Licensed Master Social Worker, Licensed Clinical Social Worker; Thiells, NY 10984; Lic. Nos. 091187, 085766; Cal. Nos. 33627, 33626; Application to surrender licenses granted. Summary: Licensee did not contest the charge of having been convicted of Assault in the 3rd Degree, a class A misdemeanor.

III. OTHER REGENTS DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

Architecture

Andrew A. Formichella; Architect; New York, NY 10022; Lic. No. 017578; Cal. No. 33283; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: 3 months actual suspension, 21 months stayed suspension, 2 years probation, \$3,000 fine.

Shmuel Dovid Flaum; Architect; Inwood, NY 11096-2111; Lic. No. 034659; Cal. No. 33784; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: 2 years stayed suspension, 2 years probation, \$5,000 fine.

Dentistry

Laurie Ann Butler; Registered Dental Assistant; Newburgh, NY 12550; Cert. No. 000132; Cal. No. 33555; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: 2 years stayed suspension, 2 years probation, \$500 fine.

Robert Hershel Zarabi; Dentist; New York, NY 10155; Lic. No. 050908; Cal. No. 33693; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: Indefinite actual suspension for no less than 1 month and until fit to practice, 2 years probation, upon return to practice, \$5,000 fine.

Patrick Joseph Battista; Dentist; Lackawanna, NY 14218; Lic. No. 055073; Cal. No. 33764; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: 1 month actual suspension, 23 months stayed suspension, 2 years probation, \$1,000 fine.

Nursing

Amy M. Reach; Licensed Practical Nurse; Latham, NY 12110; Lic. No. 132894; Cal. No. 31445; Found guilty of professional misconduct; Penalty: 1 month actual suspension, 23 months stayed suspension, 2 years probation.

Rebecca Lynn Brown; Licensed Practical Nurse, Registered Professional Nurse; Williamsville, NY 14221-5018; Lic. Nos. 273580, 556262; Cal. Nos. 32404, 32405; Found guilty of professional misconduct; Penalty: 2 years stayed suspension, 2 years probation.

Sarah A. Lillie; Licensed Practical Nurse; Cortland, NY 13045; Lic. No. 274897; Cal. No. 32511; Found guilty of professional misconduct; Penalty: Indefinite actual suspension for no less than 1 month and until substance abuse free and fit to practice, upon return to practice, 2 years probation.

Deshia G. Scott a/k/a Deshia G. Williams; Licensed Practical Nurse; Latham, NY 12110-0681, Cohoes, NY 12047; Lic. No. 292326; Cal. No. 33295; Found guilty of professional misconduct; Penalty: 2 years probation with licensee to remain in compliance with Albany City Drug Court.

Shawnte Melissa Broaddus a/k/a Shawnte M. Broaddus; Licensed Practical Nurse, Registered Professional Nurse; Buffalo, NY 14214-2127; Lic. Nos. 295447, 656833; Cal. Nos. 32883, 32882; Found guilty of professional misconduct; Penalty: 1 month actual suspension, 23 months stayed suspension, upon return to practice, 2 years probation.

Nicole B. Clement a/k/a Nicole B. Bourdeau; Registered Professional Nurse; South Glens Falls, NY 12803-4822; Lic. No. 633050; Cal. No. 32956; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: Indefinite actual suspension for no less than 1 year and until fit to practice, upon return to practice, 2 years probation, \$500 fine.

Andreas Iyeko; Registered Professional Nurse; Mount Vernon, NY 10553; Lic. No. 700811; Cal. No. 33409; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: 1 month actual suspension, 23 months stayed suspension, upon return to practice, 2 years probation, \$500 fine.

Kimberly Anne Ryczko; Licensed Practical Nurse; Dunkirk, NY 14048; Lic. No. 331612; Cal. No. 33636; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: Indefinite actual suspension for no less than 1 year and until fit to practice, upon return to practice, 2 years probation.

Elisha L. Novak; Licensed Practical Nurse; Gansevoort, NY 12831; Lic. No. 285575; Cal. No. 33718; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: Indefinite actual suspension for no less than 1 month and until fit to practice, upon return to practice, 2 years probation.

Alejandro Gort; Registered Professional Nurse; Denver, CO 80211; Lic. No. 695807; Cal. No. 33729; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: Indefinite actual suspension until fit to practice, upon return to practice, 2 years probation, \$500 fine.

Pendor Haiyede; Registered Professional Nurse, Nurse Practitioner (Adult Health); Brooklyn, NY 11233; Lic. No. 714606, Cert. No. 309258; Cal. Nos. 33738, 33739; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: 1 month actual suspension, 23 months stayed suspension, 2 years probation, \$5,000 fine.

Wal Naomi Williams a/k/a Naomi Williams-Wal; Registered Professional Nurse; East Hartford, CT 06118; Lic. No. 756836; Cal. No. 33771; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: 3 months actual suspension, 21 months stayed suspension, upon return to practice, 2 years probation, \$500 fine.

Physical Therapy

Brandon Christopher Tytka; Physical Therapist; Cheektowaga, NY 14227; Lic. No. 042444; Cal. No. 33758; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: 1 month actual suspension, 23 months stayed suspension, upon return to practice, 2 years probation, \$500 fine.

Social Work

Olga V. Plotkin; Licensed Clinical Social Worker; New York, NY 10025; Lic. No. 077942; Cal. No. 33472; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: 1 month actual suspension, 23 months stayed suspension, upon return to practice, 2 years probation, \$7,000 fine.

Jonathan Ross Jaffee Anechiarico; Licensed Master Social Worker; Brooklyn, NY 11221; Lic. No. 092759; Cal. No. 33630; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: 1 year stayed suspension, 1 year probation, \$500 fine.

Veterinary Medicine

Wilfredo Perez; Veterinarian; Massena, NY 13662; Lic. No. 007292; Cal. 33358; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: 1 month actual suspension, 23 months stayed suspension, upon return to practice, 2 years probation.

Amanda Rose Litzinger; Veterinary Technician; North Rose, NY 14516; Lic. No. 006191; Cal. No. 33537; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: 2 years stayed suspension, 2 years probation, \$500 fine.

Joshua Seth Baum; Veterinarian; Hewlett, NY 11557; Lic. No. 008802; Cal. No. 33699; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: 2 years stayed suspension, 2 years probation, \$2,500 fine.

John Andrew Ober; Veterinarian; Candor, NY 13743; Lic. No. 007644; Cal. No. 33727; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: 2 years stayed suspension, 2 years probation, \$500 fine.

IV. RESTORATION

The Board of Regents voted on November 14, 2023 to deny the application for restoration of the dentist license of Joanne Tobias Baker, Scarsdale, NY. Dr. Baker's license was surrendered on February 8, 2011.

The Board of Regents voted on November 14, 2023 to deny the application for restoration of the physician license of Nisar Ahmed Piracha, New York, NY. Dr. Piracha's license was revoked on October 22, 2018.

ATTACHMENT I

New York State Graduation Measures Initiative

Recommendations from the
Blue Ribbon Commission
November 2023

Work of the Commission



- Stakeholder Feedback Sessions
- Literature and Policy Review
- Surveys and ThoughtExchange Feedback
- Parent and Student Feedback
- Blue Ribbon Commission Meetings



- Multiple pathways leading to one high school diploma
- Assessment flexibility
- Understanding of meaningful life-ready credentials
- Culturally responsive curriculum, instruction, and assessment



Portrait of a
Graduate
Recommendations



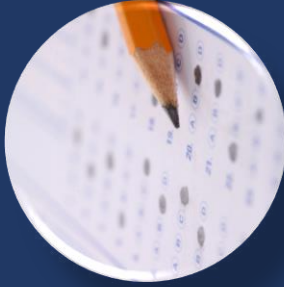
What we want all students to know and be able to do upon graduation to be successful in our rapidly changing world.

12 Recommendations

Four Priorities



Consideration of
multiple pathways
leading to one
diploma



Review of
assessment
flexibility



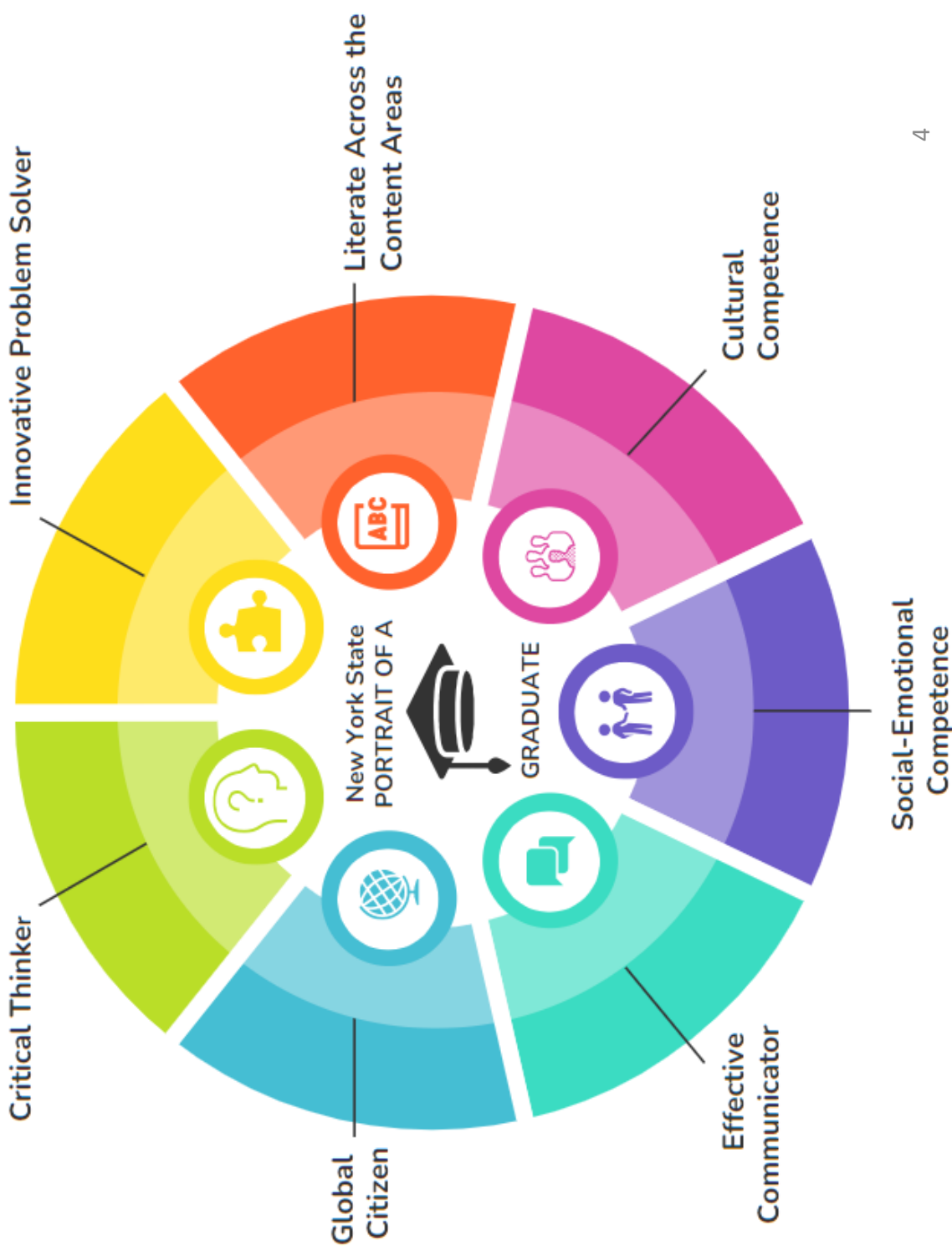
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Culturally responsive
curriculum,
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Portrait of a Graduate

New York State graduates are ready for **college, careers,** and **civic engagement!**



Identifying the Recommendations



Developing

June Commission Meeting

July In-Person Convening



Refining

Steering Committee with support from All4Ed in July and August 2023



Voting

59 Recommendation Suggestions

37 identified by at least 75% of members as a high or medium priority



Recommendations

12 Recommendations

1 Number of Diplomas and Seals/Endorsements

Replace the three diploma types with one diploma with the option to add seals and endorsements.




2 Credit Requirements

Diploma credit requirements must include:

- civic responsibility/ethics;
- cultural competence;
- financial literacy education, including systems, personal finance, and the social-historical context;
- fine and performing arts;
- science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) credit(s); and
- writing, including writing skills for real-world scenarios.



A close-up photograph of a person wearing a blue uniform and black gloves, working on the engine of a car. The person is using a long metal tool, possibly a torque wrench, to adjust a component on the engine. The background is blurred, showing a workshop or garage setting.

3 Access to Career and Technical Education

Ensure access to career and technical education, including internships and work-based learning opportunities for all students across the State.

4 Reorganization of Credit Requirements

Move to a model that organizes credit requirements, including content area credit requirements into larger categories (e.g., mathematics and science courses could be included in the “STEM” category).



5 Diploma Assessment Requirements

Reduce and/or modify diploma assessment requirements to allow more assessment options.



6 Performance-Based Assessments

Create State-developed rubric(s) for any performance-based assessments allowed as an option to satisfy the diploma assessment requirements.



Options for Specific Students

- 7 Create more specific, tailored graduation requirements to address the unique circumstances of certain groups of students (e.g., non-compulsory age students, newcomer students, refugee students).
- 8 Provide exemptions from diploma assessment requirements for: students with significant cognitive disabilities; and major life events and extenuating circumstances (e.g., medical conditions, death of a family member, trauma prior to sitting for a required exam).
- 9 Pursue regulatory changes to allow the discretion to confer high school degrees posthumously.



Teacher Education

- 10 Require all NYS teacher preparation programs to provide instruction in culturally responsive-sustaining education (CR-SE) practices and pedagogy.
- 11 Require that professional development plans include culturally responsive-sustaining education practices and pedagogy.



12 NYS Learning Standards

Review and revise the NYS learning standards to:

- better align with college and career expectations and update for family and consumer sciences, health, media literacy, and climate education;
- emphasize higher-order skills and competencies (e.g., health education, communication, decision-making, time management, soft skills); and
- use a culturally responsive-sustaining education (CRSE)/diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) and accessibility lens in all subject areas, including history.



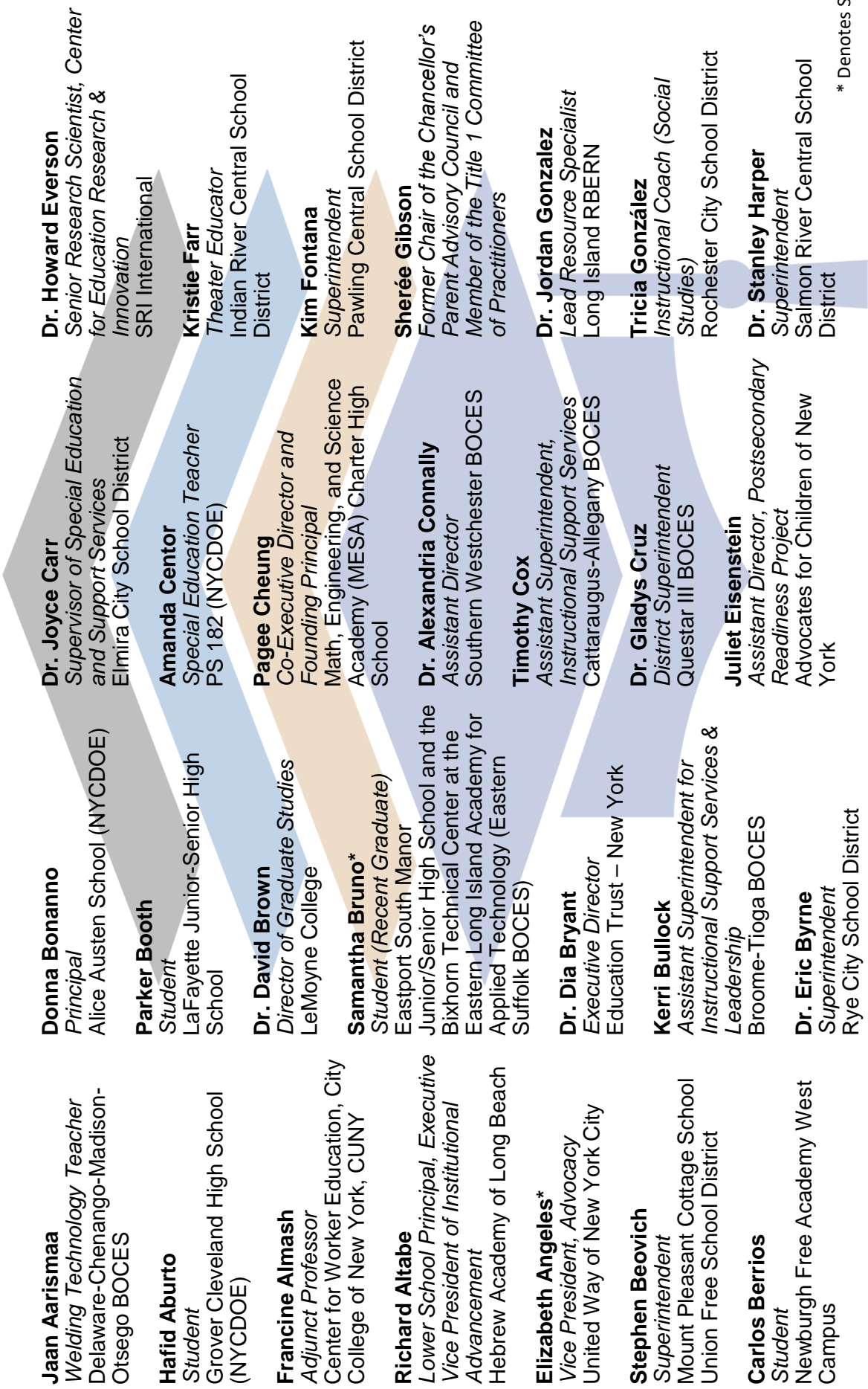
Additional Considerations

- Adequate funding
- Advocacy and education
- Engage higher education institutions
- Professional learning
- Evaluation of impact
- Future reevaluation

Next Steps

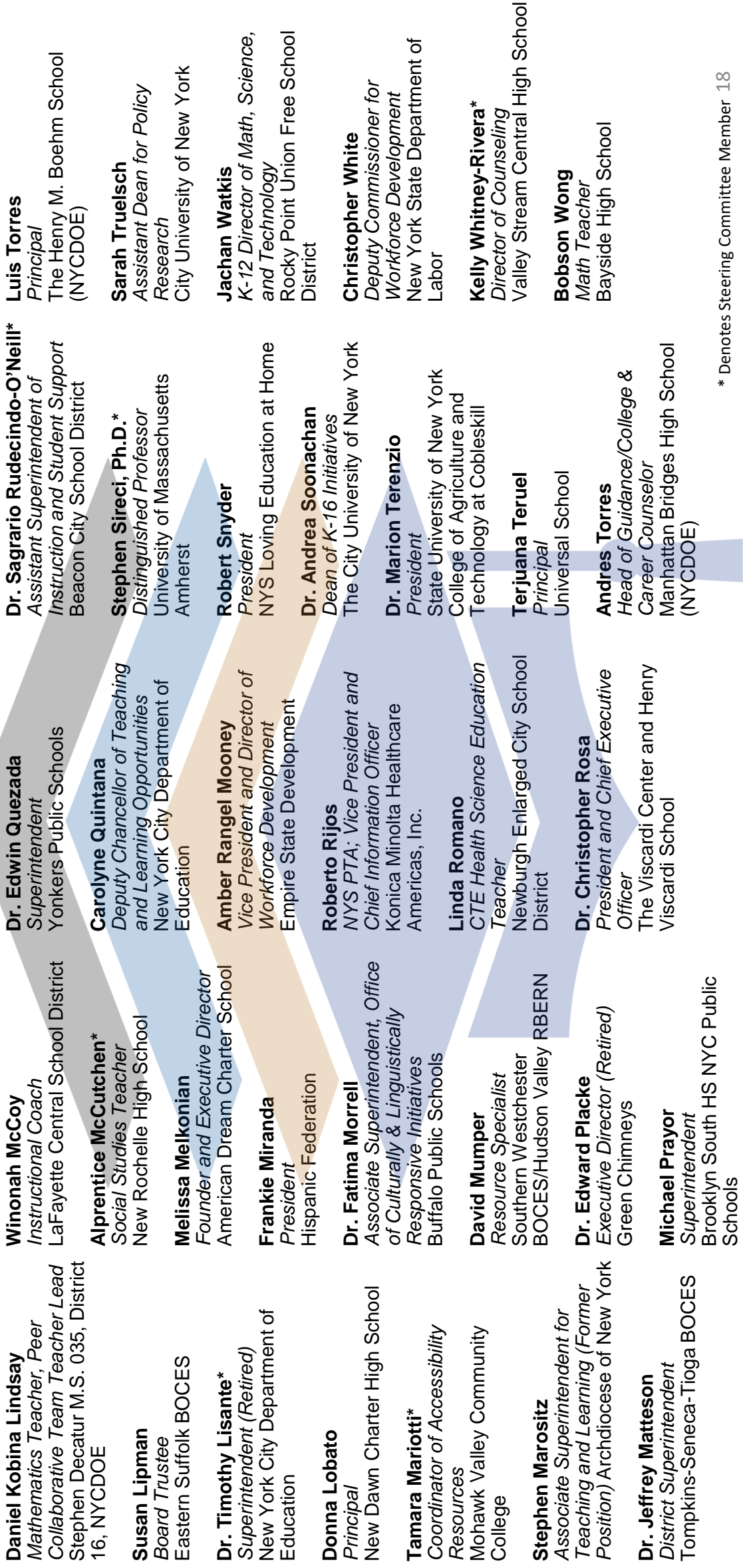


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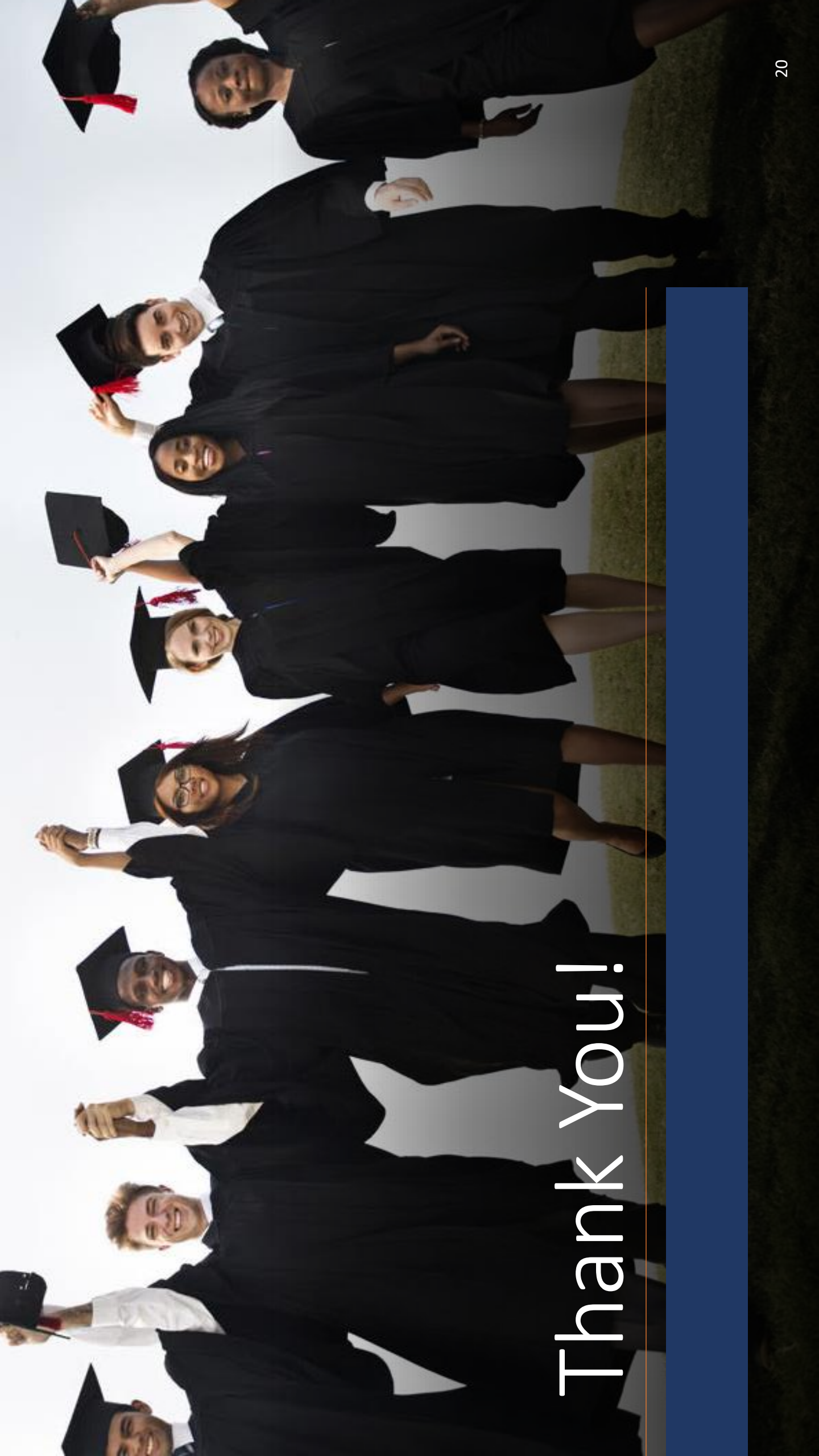
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