



**TO:** The Honorable Members of the Board of Regents

**FROM:** Christopher J. Halpin, Secretary

**SUBJECT:** Summary of the February 2024 Meeting

**DATE:** February 29, 2024

**AUTHORIZATION(S):**

**SUMMARY**

**Issue for Decision**

Should the Board of Regents approve the Summary of the February 2024 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 March 2024 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 February 2024 Meeting of the Board of Regents of The University of the State of New York be approved.

**Timetable for Implementation**

Effective March 13, 2024.



**SUMMARY OF THE FEBRUARY 2024 MEETING**

**OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS**

**OF**

**THE UNIVERSITY OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK**

*Held at the  
State Education Building  
Albany, New York*

*February 12 and 13, 2024*

*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, February 12<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. in the State Education Building pursuant to a call to duty sent to each Regent.

### **MEETING OF THE FULL BOARD, Monday, February 12<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m.**

#### **Board Members in Attendance:**

Lester W. Young, Jr., *Chancellor*  
Roger Tilles  
Christine D. Cea  
Wade S. Norwood  
James E. Cottrell  
Judith Chin  
Catherine Collins  
Luis O. Reyes  
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, Jeff Matteson, Counsel and Deputy Commissioner for Legal Affairs, Daniel Morton-Bentley, and Secretary, Board of Regents, Christopher J. Halpin. Vice Chancellor Josephine Victoria Finn and Regent Susan W. Mittler were absent and excused.

### **ACTION ITEM**

#### **Executive Session Motion**

**MOVED**, that the Board of Regents convene in executive session on Tuesday, February 12<sup>th</sup> at 10:10 am to discuss litigation matters.

**Motion by:** Regent Roger Tilles  
**Seconded by:** Regent Christine D. Cea  
**Action:** Motion passed unanimously. Regent Wade S. Norwood was absent for the vote.

## **PRESENTATION**

### **The Story of the New York State My Brother's Keeper Initiative**

Angelique Johnson-Dingle, Anael Alston, and Jonathan Burman presented on the some of the gains in communities of color across New York State, then introduced the On a Path to Educational Equity - The Story of MBK in New York State Booklet (Attachment I).

Chancellor adjourned the meeting.

**MEETING OF THE FULL BOARD, Tuesday, February 13<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m.**

**Board Members in Attendance:**

Lester W. Young, Jr., *Chancellor*  
Christine D. Cea  
Wade S. Norwood  
James E. Cottrell  
Catherine Collins  
Luis O. Reyes  
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**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 January 2024 Meeting of the Board of Regents  
BR (A) 2**

**MOVED**, that the Summary of the January 2024 Meeting of the Board of Regents of The University of the State of New York be approved.

**Regents Monthly Meeting Dates, January - December 2025  
BR (A) 4**

**MOVED**, that the Board of Regents approve the proposed list of Regents meeting dates for the period of January – December 2025.

**Motion by:** Regent James E. Cottrell  
**Seconded by:** Regent Roger P. Catania  
**Action:** Motion passed unanimously.

**State Education Department January 2024 Fiscal Report  
BR (A) 3**

**MOVED**, that the Board of Regents approve the State Education Department January 2024 Fiscal Report as presented.

**Motion by:** Regent Aramina Vega Ferrer  
**Seconded by:** Regent Frances G. Wills  
**Action:** Motion passed unanimously.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

### **PROGRAM AREA CONSENT ITEMS**

#### **Higher Education**

##### **Master Plan Amendment Application BR (CA) 1**

**MOVED**, the Board of Regents approve the master plan amendment application on the attached summary table.

#### **Higher Education/Professional Practice**

##### **Proposed Amendment of Section 3.29 of the Rules of the Board of Regents Relating to the Use of the Term University BR (CA) 2**

**MOVED**, that section 3.29 of the Rules of the Board of Regents be amended, as submitted, effective February 28, 2024.

#### **P-12 Education**

##### **Proposed Amendment of Section 136.6 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education Relating to Written Informational Material for the Authorized Use of Epinephrine Auto-Injectors BR (CA) 3**

**MOVED**, that section 136.6 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education be amended, as submitted, effective March 11, 2024, as an emergency rule upon a finding by the Board of Regents that such action is necessary for the preservation of public health and safety to immediately conform the Commissioner's regulations to Chapter 422 of the Laws of 2023 and to ensure the emergency action taken at the December 2023 meeting remains continuously in effect.

#### **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) 4**

**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) 5**

**MOVED**, that the Regents approve the recommendations of the Committee on the Professions regarding the licensing petition(s) and degree conferrals.

**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  
BR (CA) 6**

**MOVED**, that 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 be amended, as submitted, effective February 28, 2024.

**Proposed Amendment of Section 64.7 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of  
Education Relating to the Execution by Registered Professional Nurses of Non-  
Patient Specific Orders to Provide Certain Emergency Medical Services and  
Administer Pregnancy Tests  
BR (CA) 7**

**MOVED**, that section 64.7 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education be amended, as submitted, effective March 11, 2024, 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 to timely conform the Commissioner's regulations to implement the requirements of Chapter 193 of the Laws of 2023, which became effective July 19, 2023, and to ensure that the emergency action taken at the December 2023 meeting remains continuously in effect.

**Proposed Amendment of Subdivision (a) of Section 64.7 of the Regulations of the  
Commissioner of Education Relating to the Execution by Registered Professional  
Nurses of Non-Patient Specific Orders to Administer Immunizing Agents Against  
Respiratory Syncytial Virus  
BR (CA) 8**

**MOVED**, that subdivision (a) of section 64.7 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education be amended, as submitted, effective February 28, 2024.



**Proposed Amendment of Section 52.12 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education Relating to the Requirements for Clinical Education and Simulation Experience in Nursing Education Programs  
BR (CA) 9**

**MOVED**, that section 52.12 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education be added, as submitted, effective February 28, 2024.

**Proposed Amendment of Section 66.5 to the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education Relating to Optometrist's Certification to Use Therapeutic Drugs  
BR (CA) 10**

**MOVED**, that section 66.5 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education be added, as submitted, effective February 28, 2024.

**MOVED**, that the Regents approve the consent agenda items.

**Motion by:** Regent James E. Cottrell  
**Seconded by:** Regent Roger P. Catania  
**Action:** Motion passed unanimously.

**STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**ADULT CAREER AND CONTINUING EDUCATION SERVICES (ACCES)**

**Adult Career and Continuing Education Services (ACCES) Committee Members:** Regent Cea, 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 February 12, 2024. All members were present except Regent Susan W. Mittler, who was excused. Chancellor Lester W. Young, Jr., Regent James E. Cottrell, Regent Frances G. Wills, and Regent Aramina Vega Ferrer also attended the meeting.

**ACTION ITEMS**

**New York State Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) 2024-2027 NYS WIOA Combined State Plan [ACCES (A) 1]** - Department staff presented the 2024-2027 WIOA Combined State Plan that included updated information on required programmatic changes and data that will affect ACCES' Vocational Rehabilitation and Adult Education programs. If approved, the 2024-2027 New York State WIOA Combined State Plan will be submitted to the U.S. Department of Labor in March 2024 and will become effective July 1, 2024.

The Committee recommends that the Board of Regents approve the 2024-2027 NYS WIOA Combined State Plan.

The motion passed unanimously.

### **MOTION FOR ACTION BY FULL BOARD**

The ACCES 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 February 13, 2024, copies of which have been distributed to each Regent.

### **HIGHER EDUCATION**

#### **Regents Committee on Higher Education Members:**

Regent Collins, Chair, Regent Cea, Regent Norwood, Regent Cottrell, Regent Chin, Regent Reyes, Regent Mittler, Regent Wills, Regent Ferrer, Regent Tanikawa, and Regent Catania.

The Higher Education Committee held its scheduled meeting on February 12, 2024. All members were present except Regent Susan W. Mittler who was excused. Chancellor Lester W. Young, Jr., Regent Roger Tilles, Regent Judith Chin, and Regent Adrian I. Hale also attended the meeting.

### **MATTERS NOT REQUIRING BOARD ACTION**

**Proposed Amendment of Section 145-2.1 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education Relating to the Eligibility Criteria for New York State Financial Aid [HE (D) 1 - REVISED]** - Department staff presented proposed amendments to Commissioner's regulations to provide that students may apply for a waiver to allow them to take courses outside of their program of study requirements to meet the full-time status requirement for TAP, and other state financial assistance and scholarship programs.

Deputy Commissioner William Murphy reviewed the items on the Consent Agenda.

### **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 February 12, 2024. All members were present except for Vice Chancellor Josephine Victoria Finn, who was excused. Chancellor Lester W. Young, Jr., Regent Catherine Collins, and Regent Luis O. Reyes, also attended the meeting.

## **MATTERS NOT REQUIRING BOARD ACTION**

**Update on Free School Meals for All Students** - Department staff presented on the number of students with access to free school meals since the enactment of the Community Eligibility Provision State Subsidy.

**Update on Academic and Linguistic Demands** - Department staff presented an update on the publication of the Academic and Linguistic Demands: Creating Access to the Next Generation Learning Standards in English language arts for Linguistically Diverse Learners (ALDs). This set of tools helps teachers identify the words, phrases, and language structures embedded in the English Language Arts standards so that all teachers are able to provide standards-aligned, grade-level instruction to English Language Learners.

Deputy Commissioner Angelique Johnson-Dingle reviewed the items on the Consent Agenda.

## **PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE**

### **Regents Committee on Professional Practice:**

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 February 13, 2024. All members were present except for Vice Chancellor Josephine Victoria Finn, who was excused. Chancellor Lester W. Young, Regent Luis O. Reyes, and Regent Shino Tanikawa also attended the meeting, but did not vote on any action.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

### **Professional Discipline Cases [PCC EXS (A) 2 – 3]**

The Committee recommends that 11 consent order applications and 8 surrender applications be granted.

These recommendations are made following the review of 19 cases involving four licensed practical nurses, three certified public accountants, three dentists, three registered professional nurses, one audiologist, one certificate to administer dental general anesthesia, one licensed mental health counselor, one licensed practical nurse who is also a registered professional nurse, and one pharmacist.

### **Restoration [PPC EXS (A) 4]**

The Committee recommends, with Regent Cottrell abstaining, that the application of Kenneth Zahl for the restoration of his license to practice as a Physician in New York State be denied.

## **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 February 13, 2024, copies of which have been distributed to each Regent.

#### **MATTERS NOT REQUIRING BOARD ACTION**

**Proposed Addition of Sections 63.16 and 60.14, and Subdivision (d) to 64.5 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education Relating to Dispensing of Self-Administered Hormonal Contraceptives [PPC (D) - 1]** – Department staff presented for discussion the proposed addition of sections 63.16, 60.14 and subdivision (d) to 64.5 to implement Chapter 128 of the Laws of 2023, which effective November 2, 2024, amends the Education Law to permit pharmacists licensed and located in this State to execute non-patient specific orders for the dispensing of self-administered hormonal contraceptives prescribed or ordered by the Commissioner of Health, a physician licensed or a nurse practitioner certified in this State.

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

**MOVED**, that the Committee Reports be approved.

**Motion by:** Regent Shino Tanikawa  
**Seconded by:** Regent James E. Cottrell  
**Action:** Motion passed unanimously.

#### **PROCLAMATION**

Regent Wade S. Norwood, Regent James E. Cottrell, and Sharon Cates-Williams, Executive Deputy Commissioner, provided remarks on the career and retirement of Sarah S. Benson, Deputy Commissioner for the Office of the Professions. She was presented with a Proclamation in recognition of her service for over thirty-five years in State government, including 19 years with the State Education Department.

Chancellor Young adjourned the meeting.

**Appendix I**  
**NEW YORK STATE BOARD OF REGENTS CHARTER ACTIONS**

<b>Name of Institution</b>	<b>Program Area</b>	<b>County of Location (City/Town)</b>	<b>Description of Charter Action(s)</b>
The Carlisle Historical Society	CE	Schoharie (Carlisle)	Extend provisional charter for five years.
George Eastman Museum	CE	Monroe (Rochester)	Amend corporate purposes.
The Genesis Museum of International Black Culture	CE	New York (New York)	Amend charter to change the corporate name to “Harlem International Museum of Black History & Culture”.
House of Angels Renaissance Projects	CE	Albany (Cohoes)	Extend provisional charter for five years.
Lock 52 Historical Society of Port Byron	CE	Cayuga (Port Byron)	Merge with Montezuma Historical Society, an education corporation with Lock 52 Historical Society of Port Byron as the survivor, with the new amended name “Old Mentz Heritage Center”.
Rocky Point Historical Society	CE	Suffolk (Rocky Point)	Amend charter to change the corporate name to “Rocky Point Historical Society Hallock Homestead Museum”.
Rose Historical Society	CE	Wayne (Rose)	Extend provisional charter for five years.
Washington Street Historical Society	CE	New York (New York)	Amend, replace and restate charter as a Regents certificate of incorporation.
The Office of the Institution formerly known as Medaille University	HE	Erie (Buffalo)	Consent to judicial dissolution.
Roberts Wesleyan University	HE	Monroe (Rochester)	Merge with Northeastern Seminary, an education corporation with Roberts Wesleyan University as the survivor with an effective date of June 30, 2024 and upon the effective date of merger amend charter to confer several degrees.
St. John Fisher University	HE	Monroe (Rochester)	Consent to filing of certificate of assumed name “Cardinal Consulting”.

## Appendix II

### REGENTS ACTIONS IN 19 PROFESSIONAL DISCIPLINE CASES AND 1 RESTORATION PETITION

February 12 - 13, 2024

The Board of Regents announced disciplinary actions resulting in the surrender of 7 licenses and 1 certificate, and 11 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 1 restoration petition.

#### I. SURRENDERS

##### Dentistry

John Timothy Hansford; Certified to Administer Dental General Anesthesia; Brooklyn, NY 11207-1372; Cert. No. 001198; Cal. No. 34032; Application to surrender certificate granted. Summary: Licensee did not contest the charge of failing to immediately transfer care of a pediatric patient following cardiac arrest.

##### Mental Health Practitioners

Nicole Alexandra May; Licensed Mental Health Counselor; Monticello, NY 12701; Lic. No. 010504; Cal. No. 33748; Application to surrender license granted. Summary: Licensee did not contest the charge of sending multiple text messages to a former patient, with inappropriate statements and photographs.

##### Nursing

Susan G. Pearsall; Licensed Practical Nurse, Registered Professional Nurse; Cape Coral, FL 33904-4154; Lic. Nos. 142238, 331229; Cal. Nos. 33852, 33853; Application to surrender licenses granted. Summary: Licensee did not contest the charge of, in the State of Florida, practicing as a registered nurse while impaired by bipolar disorder.

Benjamin Scott Lefko; Registered Professional Nurse; West Columbia, SC 29169-5123; Lic. No. 680857; Cal. No. 33990; Application to surrender license granted. Summary: Licensee did not contest the charge of, in the State of Maine, diverting controlled substances from licensee's place of employment as a nurse for licensee's own personal use.

##### Pharmacy

Zakary Basta; Pharmacist; Valley Stream, NY 11580; Lic. No. 044533; Cal. No. 33975; Application to surrender license granted. Summary: Licensee admitted to the charge of, in or about and between March 2020 and September 2020, licensee, together with others, did knowingly and willfully conspire to execute a scheme and artifice to defraud Medicare and Medicare drug plan sponsors, which were health care benefit programs, and to obtain, by means of one or more materially false and fraudulent pretenses,

representations and promises, money and property owned by, and under the custody and control of, Medicare and Medicare drug plan sponsors, in connection with the delivery of and payment for health care benefits, items and services.

### **Public Accountancy**

Roy Hoffmann a/k/a Roy Hoffman; Certified Public Accountant; Cedarhurst, NY 11616; Lic. No. 080239; Cal. No. 33196; Application to surrender license granted. Summary: Licensee admitted to the charge of having been convicted of Grand Larceny in the 3rd Degree, a class D felony.

Lawrence Jay Ringer; Certified Public Accountant; Queensbury, NY 12804; Lic. No. 061953; Cal. No. 33819; Application to surrender license granted. Summary: Licensee admitted to the charge of failing to timely pay a \$500.00 fine, failing to complete continuing education consisting of coursework in ethics, and failing to answer and submit quarterly questionnaires as requested by the Department, as required by the terms of probation imposed by the Board of Regents in Order No. 32592.

## **II. OTHER REGENTS DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS**

### **Dentistry**

Terrance Douglas Stradford; Dentist; Staten Island, NY 10303-2714; Lic. No. 040944; Cal. No. 30354; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: 1 month actual suspension, 23 months stayed suspension, 2 years probation, \$10,000 fine.

Alexander Rabichev; Dentist; Brooklyn, NY 11229; Lic. No. 044394; Cal. No. 33239; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: Censure and reprimand, \$1,000 fine.

David S. Bruckner; Dentist; Jamaica, NY 11432-4250; Lic. No. 033083; Cal. No. 33972; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: Censure and reprimand, 2 years probation, \$1,500 fine.

### **Nursing**

Jennifer Ann Rowe a/k/a Jennifer A. Latulip; Licensed Practical Nurse; Gloversville, NY 12078; Lic. No. 316055; Cal. No. 33676; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: 2 years stayed suspension, 2 years probation.

Natasha L. Cardamone; Licensed Practical Nurse; Sprakers, NY 12166; Lic. No. 284773; Cal. No. 33829; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: 2 months actual suspension, 22 months stayed suspension, upon return to practice, 2 years probation, \$250 fine.

Elicia Lynette Henderson; Licensed Practical Nurse; Uniondale, NY 11553; Lic. No. 271896; Cal. No. 33866; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: 2 years stayed suspension, 2 years probation, \$500 fine.

Julie D. Lincoln; Licensed Practical Nurse; Coram, NY 11727-1140; Lic. No. 282712; Cal. No. 33919; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: 1 month actual suspension, 23 months stayed suspension, 2 years probation.

Jennifer L. Robinson a/k/a Jennifer L. Conway; Registered Professional Nurse; Red Hook, NY 12571; Lic. No. 805390; Cal. No. 33926; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: 2 months actual suspension, 22 months stayed suspension, 2 years probation, \$1,000 fine.

Jerald Adam Vogel; Registered Professional Nurse; Buffalo, NY 14207; Lic. No. 486417; Cal. No. 33957; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: Indefinite actual suspension for no less than 3 months and until fit to practice, upon return to practice, 2 years probation, \$500 fine.

### **Public Accountancy**

Lev Nagdimov; Certified Public Accountant; Scarsdale, NY 10583; Lic. No. 093405; Cal. No. 33460; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: 2 years actual suspension, upon return to practice, 2 years probation, \$10,000 fine.

### **Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology**

Hal Marc Freed; Audiologist; Melville, NY 11747; Lic. No. 001568; Cal. No. 33912; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: Censure and reprimand, 1 year probation, \$1,000 fine.

## **III. RESTORATION**

The Board of Regents voted on February 13, 2024 to deny the application for restoration of the physician license of Kenneth Zahl, Bethlehem, PA. Dr. Zahl's license was revoked on February 8, 2008.



# ATTACHMENT I

## ON A PATH TO EDUCATIONAL EQUITY:

The Story of MBK in New York State

New York State Board of Regents  
February 12, 2024 Board Meeting



New York State  
EDUCATION DEPARTMENT  
Knowledge > Skill > Opportunity

# MBK HISTORICAL TIMELINE

## FEBRUARY 27, 2014

President Obama issues a presidential memorandum to create and expand opportunities for boys and young men of color, creating the *MBK Initiative*.

## SEPTEMBER 29, 2015

The first MBK forum is held to discuss the needs and strategies for implementing the initiative in New York State.

## DECEMBER 15, 2015

The Board of Regents recommends a \$50 million investment to the Legislature to improve outcomes for boys and young men of color.

## OCTOBER 9, 2019

NYSED announces \$2.65 million in *MBK Native American Program*

grants to incentivize and support school districts to implement a coherent cradle-to-college/career strategy to improve life outcomes for disadvantaged Native Americans.

## JANUARY 11, 2021

The Board of Regents unanimously elects Dr. Lester W. Young, Jr. as Chancellor, the first African American to serve in that role. He vows to build more equitable and empowering futures for all New York students.

## APRIL 29, 2022

President Obama addresses NYSMBK Symposium.

## FEBRUARY 26, 2012

Trayvon Martin is shot and killed in Florida, sparking national conversations around race and equity.

## MAY 19, 2015

In New York State, the Board of Regents establishes the *Workgroup to Improve Outcomes for Boys and Young Men of Color*, Chaired by Regent Lester W. Young, Jr.

## AUGUST 2015

A *Blue Ribbon Committee* consisting of stakeholders is convened to support the *Workgroup*.

## NOVEMBER 9, 2015

The second MBK forum is held. The *Blue Ribbon Committee* and the *Workgroup to Improve Outcomes for Boys and Young Men of Color* finalize priorities and strategies to present to the Board of Regents.

## APRIL 4, 2016

The 2016-2017 New York State budget is adopted with \$20 million secured for MBK.

## FEBRUARY 8, 2021

The Board of Regents unanimously appoints Dr. Betty A. Rosa as Commissioner of Education, the first Latina to serve in that role. She promises to address the equity and opportunity gaps the State faces.

## MAY 19, 2023

NYSMBK Network reaches 36 member communities.



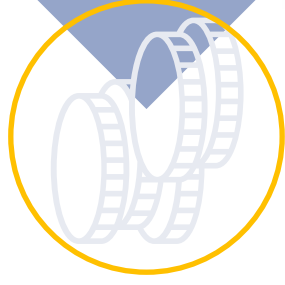
# MBK CHALLENGE GRANT



Entering School Ready  
to Learn



Reading at Grade Level  
by Third Grade



Financial Literacy  
Education



**My Brother's Keeper**

# INDIGENOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM GRANT



**Akwesasne Mohawk youth participated in a presentation by Akwesasne's Jack Johnson, a traditional wooden lacrosse stick maker**

# NYSMBK FELLOWS PROGRAM GRANT



NEW YORK STATE

## My Brother's Keeper



Assigned Mentors

Community Service Projects

Mastermind Book Study

Professional Speaker Training

Stand and Deliver Speaker  
Showcase



**NYCDOE Queens South HS  
Mastermind Book Study**

**FAMILY AND COMMUNITY  
ENGAGEMENT PROGRAM  
GRANT**

NEW YORK STATE



**My Brother's Keeper**

# MY BROTHER'S KEEPER TEACHER OPPORTUNITY CORPS II GRANT



**My Brother's Keeper**



# The Broad Reach of NYSMBK

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**40 TOC II Grants**

**105 Challenge Grants**

**34 Indigenous Education**

**107 Family & Community  
Engagement Grants**





**MBK**

**Native Americans**

**82%**

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**2016-2022**

**NATIONAL AVERAGE**

**74.9% (NCES, 2020)**

**52%**

2016-2022

# African Americans

85%



70%



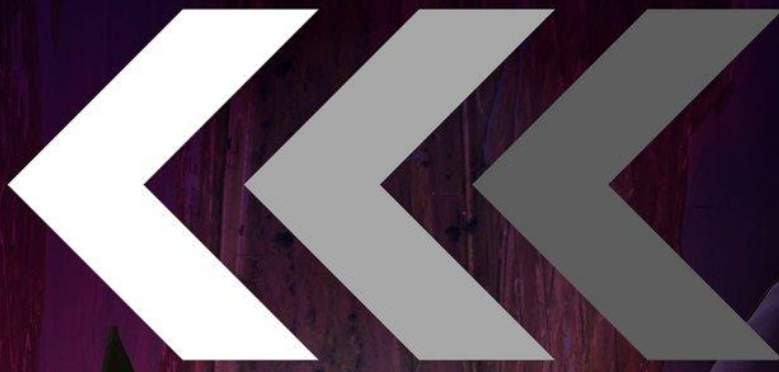
# QUEENS MBK

NATIONAL AVERAGE  
81.1% (NCES, 2020)

2016-2022

# Hispanic/Latino Americans

83%



64%

NATIONAL AVERAGE  
82.5% (NCES, 2020)

# ROOSEVELT MBK





NEW YORK STATE

# My Brother's Keeper





## **Next Steps:**

- **MBK Stand and Deliver 2/16**
- **Finalize and present Preliminary NYSMBK Evaluation**
- **Produce the NYSMBK Documentary (in progress)**
- **Issue TOC II Literacy RFP (in progress)**
- **MBK Symposium May 30, 2024**

