



TO: The Honorable Members of the Board of Regents

FROM: Christopher J. Halpin, Secretary

SUBJECT: Summary of the April 2025 Meeting

DATE: April 24, 2025

AUTHORIZATION(S):

SUMMARY

Issue for Decision

Should the Board of Regents approve the Summary of the April 2025 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 May 2025 meeting.

Procedural History

This document summarizes the actions of the Board of Regents during the monthly meeting and is brought before the Board during its next meeting 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 April 2025 Meeting of the Board of Regents of The University of the State of New York be approved.

Timetable for Implementation

Effective May 6, 2025.



***SUMMARY OF THE APRIL 2025 MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS
OF
THE UNIVERSITY OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK***

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

April 7 and 8, 2025

Christopher J. Halpin, Secretary

The Board of Regents of The University of the State of New York held a public session in Albany on Monday, April 7th 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, April 7th at 9:00 a.m.

Board Members in Attendance:

Lester W. Young, Jr., *Chancellor*

Judith Chin, *Vice Chancellor*

Roger Tilles

Christine D. Cea

Wade S. Norwood

Susan W. Mittler

Frances G. Wills

Aramina Vega Ferrer

Shino Tanikawa

Roger P. Catania

Adrian I. Hale

Hasoni L. Pratts

Patrick A. Mannion

Seema Rivera

Brian Krist

Keith B. Wiley

Felicia Thomas-Williams

Also present were Commissioner, Betty A. Rosa, 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.

ACTION ITEM

Executive Session Motion

MOVED, that the Board of Regents convene in executive session on Monday, April 8th at 11:10 a.m. to discuss litigation and personnel matters related to the appointment of individuals.

Motion by: Vice Chancellor Judith Chin
Seconded by: Regent Roger P. Catania
Action: Motion passed unanimously. Regent Norwood was absent for the vote.

PRESENTATION

Three Districts One Vision: A Regionalized Approach to Postsecondary Options for Students with Disabilities

Ceylane Meyers-Ruff, Mary Fox-Alter, Ossining Union Free School District, Dr. David Mauricio, Peekskill Central School District, Dr. Raymond Sanchez, Union Free School District of the Tarrytowns highlighted the collaborative efforts of three school districts working in partnership with their local community college to implement a regionalized approach to supporting students with disabilities. They discussed how this initiative enhances postsecondary pathways, strengthens workforce readiness, and ensures students receive the resources and opportunities necessary for long-term success (Attachment I).

Chancellor Young adjourned the meeting.

MEETING OF THE FULL BOARD, Tuesday, April 8 at 11:55 a.m.

Board Members in Attendance:

Lester W. Young, Jr., *Chancellor*

Judith Chin, *Vice Chancellor*

Roger Tilles

Christine D. Cea

Wade S. Norwood

Susan W. Mittler

Frances G. Wills

Aramina Vega Ferrer

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Also present were Commissioner, Betty A. Rosa, 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.

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 March 2025 Meeting of the Board of Regents

BR (A) 2

MOVED, that the Summary of the March 2025 Meeting of the Board of Regents of The University of the State of New York be approved.

Motion by: Regent Roger Tilles
Seconded by: Regent Roger P. Catania
Action: Motion passed unanimously.

**State Education Department March 2025 Fiscal Report
BR (A) 3**

MOVED, that the Board of Regents approve the State Education Department March 2025 Fiscal Report as presented.

Motion by: Regent Hasoni L. Pratts
Seconded by: Regent Susan W. Mittler
Action: Motion passed unanimously.

PROGRAM AREA CONSENT ITEMS

Office of Counsel

**Proposed Amendment of Section 3.8(b) of the Rules of the Board of Regents
Relating to Designation of a Deputy Commissioner of Education
BR (CA) 1**

MOVED, that section 3.8(b) of the Rules of the Board of Regents be amended, as submitted, effective April 23, 2025.

Cultural Education

**Proposed Amendment of Section 90.12 of the Regulations of the Commissioner
of Education Relating to State Aid for Library Construction
BR (CA) 2**

MOVED, that section 90.12 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education be amended, as submitted, effective April 23, 2025.

Higher Education

Appointment and Reappointments to the New York State Teachers' Retirement System Board BR (CA) 3 - REVISED (4/7/25)

MOVED, that the Board of Regents appoint Scott Levy to the NYS Teachers' Retirement System Board pursuant to Section 504(2)(b) of the Education Law for a three-year term commencing July 1, 2025 and expiring June 30, 2028.

MOVED, that the Board of Regents reappoint Jennifer Longtin to the NYS Teachers' Retirement System Board pursuant to Section 504(2)(b) of the Education Law for a three-year term commencing July 1, 2025 and expiring June 30, 2028.

MOVED, that the Board of Regents reappoint Ruth H. Mahoney to the NYS Teachers' Retirement System Board pursuant to Section 504(2)(a) of the Education Law for a three-year term commencing May 1, 2025 and expiring April 30, 2028.

Proposed Amendment of Sections 52.21 and 80-3.7 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education Relating to the Content Core Requirement for Additional Teaching Certificates in Certain Areas BR (CA) 4

MOVED, that sections 52.21 and 80-3.7 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education be amended, as submitted, effective April 23, 2025.

State University of New York at Brockport: Master Plan Amendment to Offer its First Doctoral Level Program in Education and Regents Authorization to Award the Doctor of Education (Ed.D.) Degree BR (CA) 5

MOVED, that the Board of Regents approve a master plan amendment to authorize The State University of New York at Brockport to offer its first doctoral program in the discipline of Education and authorize the institution to award the Doctor of Education (Ed.D.) degree.

P-12 Education

Proposed Amendment of Section 100.3 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education Relating to Evidence-based and Scientifically Based Reading Instruction BR (CA) 6

MOVED, that section 100.3 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education be amended, as submitted, effective April 23, 2025.

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) 7

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) 8

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

Proposed Amendment of Sections 52.26 and 61.13 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education Relating to the Application of Topical Fluoride Varnish by Registered Dental Assistants BR (CA) 9

MOVED, that sections 52.26 and 61.13 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education be amended as, submitted, effective April 23, 2025.

**Reappointment of Adjunct Members of the Regents Review Committee
BR (CA) 10**

MOVED, that the Regents should approve the proposed reappointments of

The Honorable Robert M. Bennett
The Honorable Walter Cooper
The Honorable James Dawson
The Honorable Robert E. Donnelly
The Honorable Kenneth D. Friedman
The Honorable Norma Gluck
The Honorable Paul Bennett Marrow
The Honorable Seth G. Rockmuller

**Proposed Amendment of Sections 59.12, 59.13, 79-7.1, 79-7.2, 79-7.3, and 79-7.4
of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education and Repeal of and Addition
of New Sections 52.27 and 79-7.5 to the Regulations of the Commissioner of
Education Relating to the Requirements for Licensure as an Athletic Trainer
BR (CA) 11**

MOVED, that sections 59.12, 59.13, 79-7.1, 79-7.2, 79-7.3, and 79-7.4 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education, be amended, as submitted, effective December 22, 2025, sections 52.27 and 79-7.5 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education be repealed, as submitted, effective December 22, 2025, section 52.27 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education be added, as submitted, effective December 22, 2025 and section 79-7.5 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education be added, as submitted, effective December 22, 2028.

MOVED, that the Regents approve the consent agenda items.

Motion by:	Regent Aramina Vega Ferrer
Seconded by:	Regent Seema Rivera
Action:	Motion passed unanimously.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

REGENTS COMMITTEE ON ADULT CAREER AND CONTINUING EDUCATION (ACCES)

Adult Career and Continuing Education Services (ACCES) Members

Regent Cea, Co-Chair, Regent Hale, Co-Chair, Vice Chancellor Chin, Regent Tilles, Regent Norwood, Regent Mittler, Regent Tanikawa, Regent Catania, Regent Pratts

The Adult Career and Continuing Education Services (ACCES) Committee held its scheduled meeting on April 7, 2025. All members were present.

Chancellor Lester W. Young, Jr., Regent Frances G. Wills, Regent Aramina Vega Ferrer, Regent Patrick A. Mannion, Regent Seema Rivera, Regent Brian Krist, Regent Keith B. Wiley, and Regent Felicia Thomas-Williams also attended the meeting.

MATTERS NOT REQUIRING BOARD ACTION

Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) Determinations - Department staff provided an overview of the updated New York State special education accountability structure for making Local Educational Agency (LEA) annual determinations under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).

REGENTS COMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION

Regents Committee on Higher Education Members

Regent Rivera, Chair, Vice Chancellor Chin, Regent Norwood, Regent Wills, Regent Ferrer, Regent Catania, Regent Hale, and Regent Pratts.

The Higher Education Committee held its scheduled meeting on April 7, 2025. All members were present. Chancellor Lester W. Young, Jr., Regent Roger Tilles, Regent Christine D. Cea, Regent Susan W. Mittler, Regent Shino Tanikawa, Regent Patrick A. Mannion, Regent Brian Krist, Regent Keith B. Wiley, and Regent Felicia Thomas-Williams also attended the meeting but did not vote on any action.

MATTERS NOT REQUIRING BOARD ACTION

Proposed Amendment of Section 52.21 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education Relating to Adding Culturally Responsive-Sustaining Education to Teacher Preparation Program Registration Requirements [HE (D) 1]

Department staff and Dr. David Brown presented a proposed regulatory amendment to add culturally responsive-sustaining education to the pedagogical core requirement for registered teacher preparation programs. The New York State Blue Ribbon Commission on Graduation Measures Report, released in November 2023, includes 12 recommendations for improving student outcomes in New York public schools. One of these recommendations is to require all New York State teacher preparation programs to provide instruction in culturally responsive-sustaining education (CR-SE) practices and pedagogy. This will allow teacher candidates to gain the knowledge and skills to work with all students in their future classrooms.

The Department's CR-SE Framework is designed to help educators create student-centered learning environments that affirm cultural identities; foster positive academic outcomes; develop students' abilities to connect across lines of difference; elevate historically marginalized voices; empower students as agents of social change; and contribute to individual student engagement, learning, growth, and achievement through the cultivation of critical thinking. The four principles of the CR-SE Framework are a welcoming and affirming environment, high expectations and rigorous instruction, inclusive curriculum and assessment, and ongoing professional learning.

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

REGENTS COMMITTEE ON P-12 EDUCATION

Regents Committee on P-12 Education Members

Vice Chancellor Chin, Chair, Regent Tilles, Regent Cea, Regent Norwood, Regent Wills, Regent Ferrer, Regent Tanikawa, Regent Catania, and Regent Rivera

The P-12 Education Committee held its scheduled meeting on April 7, 2025. All members were present. Chancellor Lester W. Young, Jr., Regent Susan W. Mittler, Regent Hasoni L. Pratts, Regent Brian Krist, Regent Keith B. Wiley, and Regent Felicia Thomas-Williams also attended the meeting but did not vote on any action.

ACTION ITEMS

Revision to a Charter Authorized by the Board of Regents [P12 (A) 1] - Department staff presented a recommendation for a charter revision for a Board of Regents-authorized charter school.

The Commissioner of Education recommends the following charter school revision for a charter school authorized by the Board of Regents:

- American Dream Charter School II (NYC CSD 6): Revision to change its grade span from K – Grade 5 to Grades 9 – 12

The Committee recommends that the Board of Regents finds that (1) American Dream Charter School II meets the requirements set out in Article 56 of the Education Law, and all other applicable laws, rules, and regulations; (2) the charter school can demonstrate the ability to operate in an educationally and fiscally sound manner; (3) granting the request to amend the charter is likely to improve student learning and achievement and materially further the purposes set out in subdivision two of section twenty-eight hundred fifty of Article 56 of the Education Law; and (4) granting the request to amend the charter will have a significant educational benefit to the students expected to attend the charter school, and the Board of Regents, therefore, approves the charter revision for American Dream Charter School II and amends the provisional charter accordingly.

The motion passed unanimously.

Renewal Recommendations for Charter Schools Authorized by the Board of Regents [P12 (A) 2] - Department staff presented recommendations for charter renewals and renewal revisions for Board of Regents-authorized charter schools.

The Commissioner of Education recommends the following charter school renewals and renewal revisions for charter schools authorized by the Board of Regents:

Bronx (2):

- Mott Hall Charter School (NYC CSD 9): Two-year renewal;
- South Bronx Classical Charter School III (NYC CSD 9): Five-year renewal;

Brooklyn (1):

- Hebrew Language Academy Charter School 2 (NYC CSD 21): Five-year renewal with a revision to increase its grade span to add Grades 6 – 8 to its current K – Grade 5 configuration;

Buffalo City School District (1):

- Buffalo Academy of Science Charter School II (Buffalo CSD): Five-year renewal with a revision to increase its grade span to add Grades 6 – 8 to its current K – Grade 5, Grade 9 – 12 configuration;

Kenmore-Tonawanda Union Free School District (1):

- Charter School for Applied Technologies: Four-year renewal;

Manhattan (1):

- Great Oaks Charter School (NYC CSD 2): Three-year renewal with a revision to amend its Key Design Elements;

Queens (2):

- Growing Up Green Charter School II (NYC CSD 28): Four-year renewal; and
- Renaissance Charter School 2 (The) (NYC CSD 24): Five-year renewal with a revision to increase its grade span to add Grades 7 – 8 to its current K – Grade 6, Grade 9 – 12 configuration; and a corresponding increase to its authorized enrollment from 837 to 1053 students.

The Committee recommends that the Board of Regents finds that **Mott Hall Charter School**: (1) meets the requirements set out in Article 56 of the Education Law, and all other applicable laws, rules and regulations; (2) the applicant can demonstrate the ability to operate the school in an educationally and fiscally sound manner; (3) granting the application is likely to improve student learning and achievement and materially further the purposes set out in subdivision two of Section twenty-eight hundred fifty of this article; and (4) granting the application would have a significant educational benefit to the students expected to attend the charter school, and the Board of Regents therefore approves the renewal application of Mott Hall Charter School and that a renewal charter be issued, and that its provisional charter be extended for a term up through and including June 30, 2027.

The Committee recommends that the Board of Regents finds that **South Bronx Classical Charter School III:** (1) meets the requirements set out in Article 56 of the Education Law, and all other applicable laws, rules and regulations; (2) the applicant can demonstrate the ability to operate the school in an educationally and fiscally sound manner; (3) granting the application is likely to improve student learning and achievement and materially further the purposes set out in subdivision two of Section twenty-eight hundred fifty of this article; and (4) granting the application would have a significant educational benefit to the students expected to attend the charter school, and the Board of Regents therefore approves the renewal application of South Bronx Classical Charter School III and that a renewal charter be issued, and that its provisional charter be extended for a term up through and including June 30, 2030.

The Committee recommends that the Board of Regents finds that **Hebrew Language Academy Charter School 2:** (1) meets the requirements set out in Article 56 of the Education Law, and all other applicable laws, rules and regulations; (2) the applicant can demonstrate the ability to operate the school in an educationally and fiscally sound manner; (3) granting the application is likely to improve student learning and achievement and materially further the purposes set out in subdivision two of Section twenty-eight hundred fifty of this article; and (4) granting the application would have a significant educational benefit to the students expected to attend the charter school, and the Board of Regents therefore approves the renewal application for Hebrew Language Academy Charter School 2 and that a renewal charter be issued, and that its provisional charter be extended for a term up through and including June 30, 2030.

The Committee recommends that the Board of Regents finds that **Buffalo Academy of Science Charter School II:** (1) meets the requirements set out in Article 56 of the Education Law, and all other applicable laws, rules and regulations; (2) the applicant can demonstrate the ability to operate the school in an educationally and fiscally sound manner; (3) granting the application is likely to improve student learning and achievement and materially further the purposes set out in subdivision two of Section twenty-eight hundred fifty of this article; and (4) granting the application would have a significant educational benefit to the students expected to attend the charter school, and the Board of Regents therefore approves the renewal application of Buffalo Academy of Science Charter School II and that a renewal charter be issued, and that its provisional charter be extended for a term up through and including June 30, 2030.

The Committee recommends that the Board of Regents finds that **Charter School for Applied Technologies:** (1) meets the requirements set out in Article 56 of the Education Law, and all other applicable laws, rules and regulations; (2) the applicant can demonstrate the ability to operate the school in an educationally and fiscally sound

manner; (3) granting the application is likely to improve student learning and achievement and materially further the purposes set out in subdivision two of Section twenty-eight hundred fifty of this article; and (4) granting the application would have a significant educational benefit to the students expected to attend the charter school, and the Board of Regents therefore approves the renewal application of Charter School for Applied Technologies and that a renewal charter be issued, and that its provisional charter be extended for a term up through and including June 30, 2029.

The Committee recommends that the Board of Regents finds that **Great Oaks Kathleen Sherry Charter School**: (1) meets the requirements set out in Article 56 of the Education Law, and all other applicable laws, rules and regulations; (2) the applicant can demonstrate the ability to operate the school in an educationally and fiscally sound manner; (3) granting the application is likely to improve student learning and achievement and materially further the purposes set out in subdivision two of Section twenty-eight hundred fifty of this article; and (4) granting the application would have a significant educational benefit to the students expected to attend the charter school, and the Board of Regents therefore approves the renewal application of Great Oaks Kathleen Sherry Charter School and that a renewal charter be issued, and that its provisional charter be extended for a term up through and including June 30, 2028.

The Committee recommends that the Board of Regents finds that **Growing Up Green Charter School II**: (1) meets the requirements set out in Article 56 of the Education Law, and all other applicable laws, rules, and regulations; (2) the applicant can demonstrate the ability to operate the school in an educationally and fiscally sound manner; (3) granting the application is likely to improve student learning and achievement and materially further the purposes set out in subdivision two of Section twenty-eight hundred fifty of this article; and (4) granting the application would have a significant educational benefit to the students expected to attend the charter school, and the Board of Regents, therefore, approves the renewal application of Growing Up Green Charter School II and that a renewal charter be issued, and that its provisional charter be extended for a term up through and including June 30, 2029.

The Committee recommends that the Board of Regents finds that **Renaissance Charter School 2 (The)**: (1) meets the requirements set out in Article 56 of the Education Law, and all other applicable laws, rules and regulations; (2) the applicant can demonstrate the ability to operate the school in an educationally and fiscally sound manner; (3) granting the application is likely to improve student learning and achievement and materially further the purposes set out in subdivision two of Section twenty-eight hundred fifty of this article; and (4) granting the application would have a significant educational benefit to the students expected to attend the charter school, and

the Board of Regents therefore approves the renewal application of Renaissance Charter School 2 (The) and that a renewal charter be issued, and that its provisional charter be extended for a term up through and including June 30, 2030. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION FOR ACTION BY FULL BOARD

The P-12 Education 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 April 8, 2025.

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

REGENTS COMMITTEE ON PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE

Regents Committee on Professional Practice

Regent Norwood, Chair, Vice Chancellor Chin, Regent Cea, Regent Wills, Regent Catania, Regent Hale, Regent Pratts, and Regent Mannion

The Professional Practice Committee held its scheduled meeting on April 8, 2025. All members were present. Chancellor Lester W. Young, Jr., Regent Roger Tilles, Regent Susan W. Mittler, Regent Aramina Vega Ferrer, Regent Shino Tanikawa, Regent Seema Rivera, Regent Brian Krist, Regent Keith B. Wiley, and Regent Felicia Thomas-Williams, also attended the meeting, but did not vote on any action.

ACTION ITEMS

Professional Discipline Cases [PPC (A) 1 – 3]

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 2 cases. In addition, the Committee recommends, upon the recommendation of the Committee on the Professions, that 26 consent order applications, and that 4 surrender applications be granted.

These recommendations are made following the review of 32 cases involving seven licensed practical nurses, four certified public accountants, four registered professional nurses, two licensed master social workers who are also licensed clinical social

workers, two pharmacists, one certified public accountancy sole proprietorship, one CPAs & Advisors professional service corporation, one dental professional corporation, one dentist who is also certified to administer dental general anesthesia, one landscape architect, one licensed clinical social worker, one pharmacy, one professional engineer, one respiratory therapist, and one veterinary technician (See Appendix II).

Restoration [PPC EXS (A) 4]

The Committee recommends that the application of Shaheen Begum for the restoration of her license to practice as a pharmacist in New York State be denied (See Appendix II).

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 April 8, 2025.

MATTERS NOT REQUIRING BOARD ACTION

Proposed Amendment of Subdivisions (f) and (h) of Section 70.10 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education Relating to the Mandatory Peer Review Program in the Profession of Public Accountancy [PPC (D) 1]

Department staff presented a proposed amendment of subdivisions (f) and (h) of section 70.10 of the Commissioner's regulations to implement the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants' (AICPA) new Statement on Quality Management Standards by replacing references to "system of quality control" with "system of quality management." These new standards are designed to improve a CPA firm's risk assessment and audit quality.

Deputy Commissioner David Hamilton reviewed the items on the Consent Agenda.

MOVED, that the Committee Reports be approved.

Motion by:	Regent Hasoni L. Pratts
Seconded by:	Regent Shino Tanikawa
Action:	Motion passed. Regent Krist recused himself from the vote on the Professional Practice report, items 16 – 21 of PPC EXS (A) 2.

APPOINTMENTS

Appointment of Dr. Laura S. Glass to Assistant Commissioner, Office of Education Policy BR (A) 4

MOVED, that the Board of Regents approve the appointment of Dr. Laura S. Glass to the position of Assistant Commissioner, Office of Education Policy.

Motion by: Regent Shino Tanikawa
Seconded by: Regent Partick A. Mannion
Action: Motion passed unanimously.

Appointment to the Position of Executive Secretary to the State Boards for Dentistry, Optometry, and Chiropractic BR (A) 5

MOVED, that the Board of Regents approve the appointment of Dr. Steven Calderon to the position of Executive Secretary to the State Boards for Dentistry, Optometry, and Chiropractic, effective May 15, 2025.

Motion by: Regent Seema Rivera
Seconded by: Regent Roger P. Catania
Action: Motion passed unanimously.

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)
Cutchogue-New Suffolk Historical Council	CE	Suffolk (Cutchogue)	Amend charter to change the corporate name to "Cutchogue-New Suffolk Historical Council and Museums".
Dodge Library	CE	Clinton (Chazy)	Grant an absolute charter.
E.J. Cottrell Memorial Library	CE	Steuben (Atlanta)	Amend charter to specify the trustee range to be not less than five nor more than nine and update IRS 501(c)(3) language.
Harrisville Free Library	CE	Lewis (Harrisville)	Amend charter to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Specify the trustee range to be not less than five nor more than fifteen; • designate the library's service area to be coterminous with the Harrisville Central School District; and • update IRS 501(c)(3) language.
The Historical Society of the Palisades Interstate Park Region	CE	Rockland (Bear Mountain)	Extend provisional charter for five years.
Historical Society of the Town of Bolton	CE	Warren (Bolton Landing)	Amend and restate charter, including a corporate address and name change to "The Bolton Museum".
Lilac Preservation Project	CE	Richmond (Staten Island)	Amend charter to change the corporate address.
Marlene Yu Museum	CE	Queens (Long Island City)	Grant provisional charter for five years.
Oak Orchard Lighthouse Museum	CE	Orleans (Kent)	Extend provisional charter for five years.

Name of Institution	Program Area	County of Location (City/Town)	Description of Charter Action(s)
The Oakdale Historical Society	CE	Suffolk (Oakdale)	Extend provisional charter for five years
Odell House Rochambeau Headquarters	CE	Westchester (Hartsdale)	Grant provisional charter for five years and merge with “Friends of Odell House Rochambeau Headquarters, Inc.” a domestic NFP corporation with the “Odell House Rochambeau Headquarters” as the survivor.
Rob Erdle Watercolors Redux	CE	Chautauqua (Silver Creek)	Extend provisional charter for five years.
Roscoe Free Library	CE	Sullivan (Roscoe)	Merge with “Livingston Manor Free Library”, the Roscoe Free Library, as the survivor, with the new amended name “Livingston Manor-Roscoe Library” and to amend the service area of the surviving library.
Academy of Orton-Gillingham Practitioners and Educators	P12/OP	Dutchess (Amenia)	Amend certificate of incorporation to update purposes and change the corporate address; consent to filing of certificate of assumed name “Orton-Gillingham Academy”.
Chatterbox Day School	P12	Suffolk (East Islip)	Dissolve charter and approve storage of student records with the East Islip School District and approve distribution of remaining assets to Lindsay Parker.
The Hayground School	P12	Suffolk (Bridgehampton)	Extend provisional charter for three years.
Love of Learning Montessori School	P12	Suffolk (Centerport)	Extend provisional charter for three years.

Appendix II

REGENTS ACTIONS IN 32 PROFESSIONAL DISCIPLINE CASES AND 1 RESTORATION PETITION

April 8, 2025

The Board of Regents announced disciplinary actions resulting in the surrender of 4 licenses, and 28 other disciplinary actions. The penalty indicated for each case relates solely to the misconduct outlined in that particular case. In addition, the Board acted upon 1 restoration petition.

I. SURRENDERS

Nursing

Michael Adeleke; Licensed Practical Nurse; Waterbury, CT 06708-7155; Lic. No. 301709; Cal. No. 34576; Application to surrender license granted. Summary: Licensee admitted to having been convicted of Rape in the 3rd Third Degree, a class E felony.

Nerraw Akbar Black, Jr.; Licensed Practical Nurse; Rotterdam, NY 12306; Lic. No. 327270; Cal. No. 34633; Application to surrender license granted. Summary: Licensee admitted to the charge of diversion of narcotics.

Social Work

Renee Sharon Hoberman; Licensed Master Social Worker, Licensed Clinical Social Worker; Brooklyn, NY 11232; Lic. Nos. 096380, 090586; Cal. Nos. 34562, 34563; Application to surrender licenses granted. Summary: Licensee could not successfully defend against allegations of distribution of child pornography.

II. OTHER REGENTS DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

Dentistry

Thomas J. Fallon; Dentist, Certified to Administer Dental General Anesthesia; Sarasota, FL 34236; Lic. No. 032133, Cert. No. 000170; Cal. Nos. 34317, 34318; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: 2 months actual suspension, 22 months stayed suspension, upon return to practice, 2 years probation, \$1,000 fine.

JB Levine DMD, P.C.; Professional Service Corporation (Dentistry); New York, NY 10021; Cal. No. 34543; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: \$1,000 fine.

Engineering, Land Surveying and Geology

Jeffrey Earl Tennyson; Professional Engineering; Chestertown, NY 12817; Lic. No. 078576; Cal. No. 33881; Found guilty of professional misconduct; Penalty: Indefinite suspension until alcohol abuse free and fit to practice, upon return to practice, 2 years probation, \$500 fine.

Landscape Architecture

Christopher Michael Crowley; Landscape Architect; Port Washington, NY 11050; Lic. No. 001401; Cal. No. 34435; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: 3 years stayed suspension, 3 years probation, 150 hours public service, \$2,500 fine.

Nursing

Tamara S. Sisilli a/k/a Tamara S. Bell a/k/a Tamara S. Martinez; Licensed Practical Nurse; Kingston, NY 12401; Lic. No. 270627; Cal. No. 33875; Found guilty of professional misconduct; Penalty: Indefinite actual suspension for no less than 3 months and until substance abuse free and fit to practice, upon return to practice, 2 years probation, \$500 fine.

Stacia Moss; Registered Professional Nurse; Albany, NY 12208; Lic. No. 818353; Cal. No. 34202; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: 2 years stayed suspension, 2 years probation, \$500 fine.

Aimee Claire Varlan; Registered Professional Nurse; Lockwood, NY 14859; Lic. No. 670476; Cal. No. 34466; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: 2 years stayed suspension, 2 years probation, \$500 fine.

Augustin Yoriko Rose Carthy Carre; Registered Professional Nurse; Stony Brook, NY 11790-3503; Lic. No. 653855; Cal. No. 34475; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: 1 year stayed suspension, 1 year probation, \$500 fine.

Mirlyne Jean; Licensed Practical Nurse; Farmington, NY 14425; Lic. No. 338411; Cal. No. 34506; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: 2 months actual suspension, 22 months stayed suspension, upon return to practice, 2 years probation.

Jamien L. Harris; Licensed Practical Nurse; Buffalo, NY 14209; Lic. No. 285129; Cal. No. 34545; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: 2 years stayed suspension, 2 years probation, \$500 fine.

Ashlee L. Morahan; Licensed Practical Nurse; Lyons, NY 14489; Lic. No. 294337; Cal. No. 34553; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: Censure and reprimand, \$500 fine.

Anthony Pennie; Licensed Practical Nurse; Rochester, NY 14619; Lic. No. 286751; Cal. No. 34577; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: 2 years stayed suspension, 2 years probation, \$500 fine.

Debra Skiff; Registered Professional Nurse; Farmingville, NY 11738; Lic. No. 494372; Cal. No. 34584; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: 2 months actual suspension, 22 months stayed suspension, 2 years probation, \$500 fine.

Pharmacy

Jin Xiao Chen; Pharmacist; Manhasset, NY 11030; Lic. No. 053228; Cal. No. 29797; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: 6 months actual suspension, 18 months stayed suspension, 2 years probation, \$10,000 fine.

Madina Drugs Corp; Pharmacy; Bronx, NY 10456; Reg. No. 037427; Cal. No. 34266; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: \$3,000 fine.

Olga Fatakhova; Pharmacist; Roslyn, NY 11576; Lic. No. 047448; Cal. No. 34579; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: 2 years stayed suspension, 2 years probation, \$500 fine.

Public Accountancy

Peter D. Willner; Certified Public Accountant; Wellington, FL 33414; Lic. No. 031225; Cal. No. 31959; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: 2 years stayed suspension, 2 years probation, \$2,500 fine.

MSPC Certified Public Accountants & Advisors P.C.; Professional Service Corporation; New York, NY 10036; Cal. No. 34407; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: Censure and reprimand, \$7,500 fine.

Gary Michael Stefano; Certified Public Accountant; Bloomfield, NJ 07003; Lic. No. 067655; Cal. No. 34458; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: Censure and reprimand, \$2,500 fine.

Joseph Peter Manzelli Jr.; Certified Public Accountant; River Edge, NJ 07661; Lic. No. 067891; Cal. No. 34476; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: 2 years stayed suspension, 2 years probation, \$2,500 fine.

Yichien Yeh CPA; (Certified Public Accountancy Sole Proprietorship); Oakland Gardens, NY 11364; Cal. No. 34564; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: 2 years stayed suspension, 2 years probation, \$4,000 fine.

Yichien Yeh; Certified Public Accountant; Oakland Gardens, NY 11364; Lic. No. 096015; Cal. No. 34565; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: 2 years stayed suspension, 2 years probation, \$4,000 fine.

Respiratory Therapy

Ryan Anthony Lewis; Respiratory Therapist; Bronx, NY 10466; Lic. No. 008313; Cal. No. 34582; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: 1 year actual suspension, 1 year stayed suspension, upon return to practice, 2 years probation, \$1,000 fine.

Social Work

Colin Christian Vesterfelt; Licensed Master Social Worker, Licensed Clinical Social Worker; Walton, NY 13856; Lic. Nos. 076825, 091658; Cal. Nos. 34520, 34521; 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.

Andrea Martha Binner; Licensed Clinical Social Worker; Buffalo, NY 14214; Lic. No. 056026; Cal. No. 34570; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: Censure and reprimand, 1 year probation, \$500 fine.

Veterinary Medicine

Rhonda Lee Hasto a/k/a Rhonda Lee Shatrau; Veterinary Technician; Fulton, NY 13069; Lic. No. 007635; Cal. No. 34423; Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon: 1 year stayed suspension, 1 year probation, \$500 fine.

III. RESTORATION

The Board of Regents on April 8, 2025, voted to deny the application for restoration of the pharmacist license of Shaheen Begum. Ms. Begum's license was revoked in June 29, 2016.

ATTACHMENT I

Three Districts One Vision:

A Regionalized Approach to
Postsecondary Options for
Students with Disabilities

Presentation to the
NYS Board of Regents

April 2025



Why A Regional Approach?

- Collaborating across districts makes sense.
- All students should experience a post-secondary educational experience leading to greater learning, employment and authentic peer engagement.
- Students with special needs can excel when provided with an opportunity.



District Demographic Information

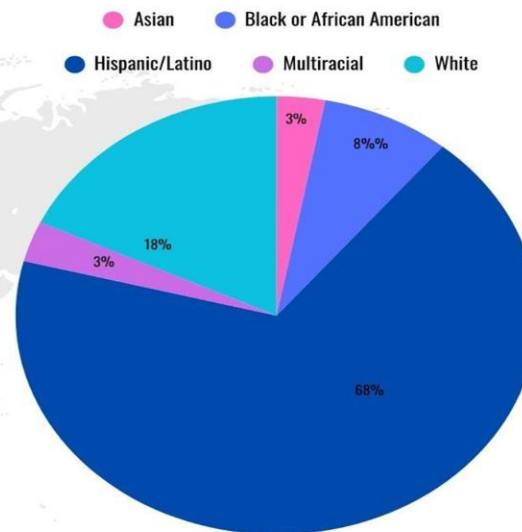


4703 students

14%
Students with
disabilities

21%
English Language
Learners

59%
Economically
Disadvantaged



Grades K-12, December 2024

District Demographic Information

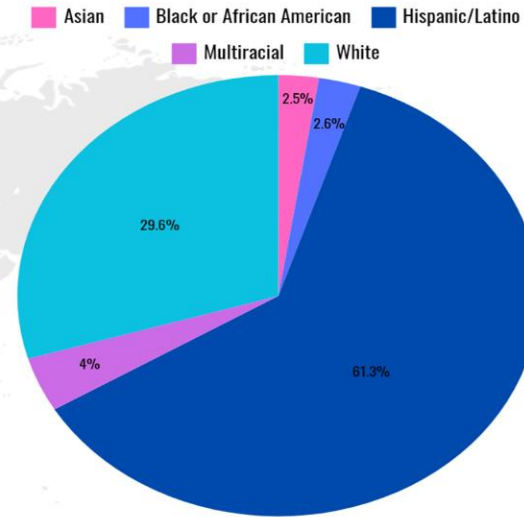


2657 students

13%
Students with
disabilities

20%
English Language
Learners

48%
Economically
Disadvantaged



Grades K-12, December 2024

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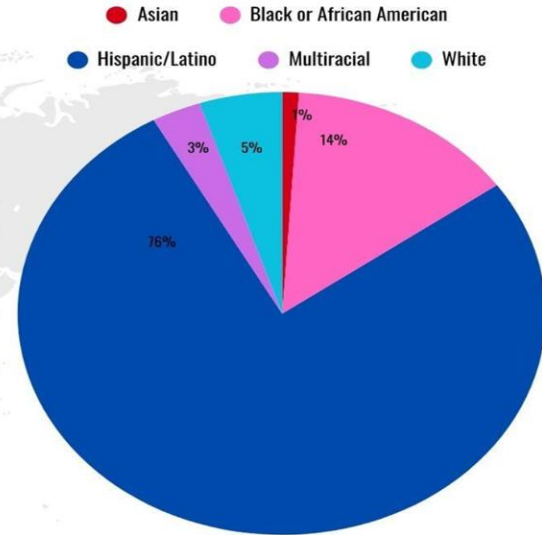


3520 students

15%
Students with
disabilities

32%
English Language
Learners

61%
Economically
Disadvantaged



Grades K-12, December 2024



Advancing College and Career Experiences for Student Success (ACCESS)

Project Overview

- Expand Partnership with Westchester Community College (WCC)
- Student Eligibility
- Transition and Pre-Employment Services
- Opportunity to Earn Certifications
- Developing New Partners and Allies

ACCESS Project Design

- September 2025 – “Soft launch” on WCC campus
- Students attend 2 hours per day, Monday-Thursday
- Potentially two groups of students
- Focus on Workplace Development Skills
- Engage in college peer activities



Project Planning

- Ossining, Peekskill and Tarrytown visits to Westchester Community College campus
- Educators across districts created a programmatic profile
- BOCES partnership
- Create student cohorts
- Work with Westchester Community College and ACCES-VR to increase work-based internships and work experiences

ACCESS Goals

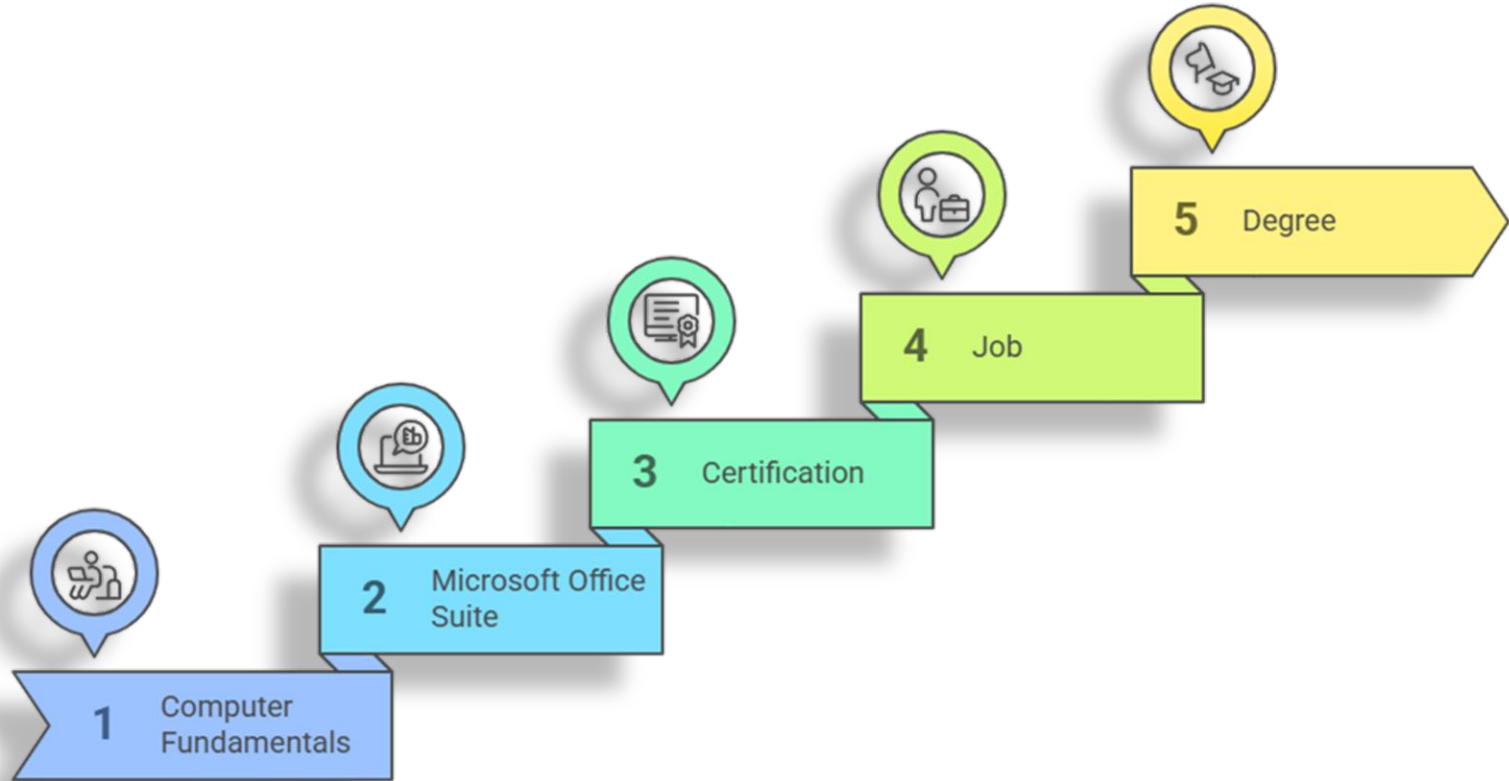
- Create programs at each WCC satellite site (Ossining and Peekskill)
- Audit and Access to College Classes
- Work Experiences
- Functional Academics
- Dual Enrollment
- Expand Cohort



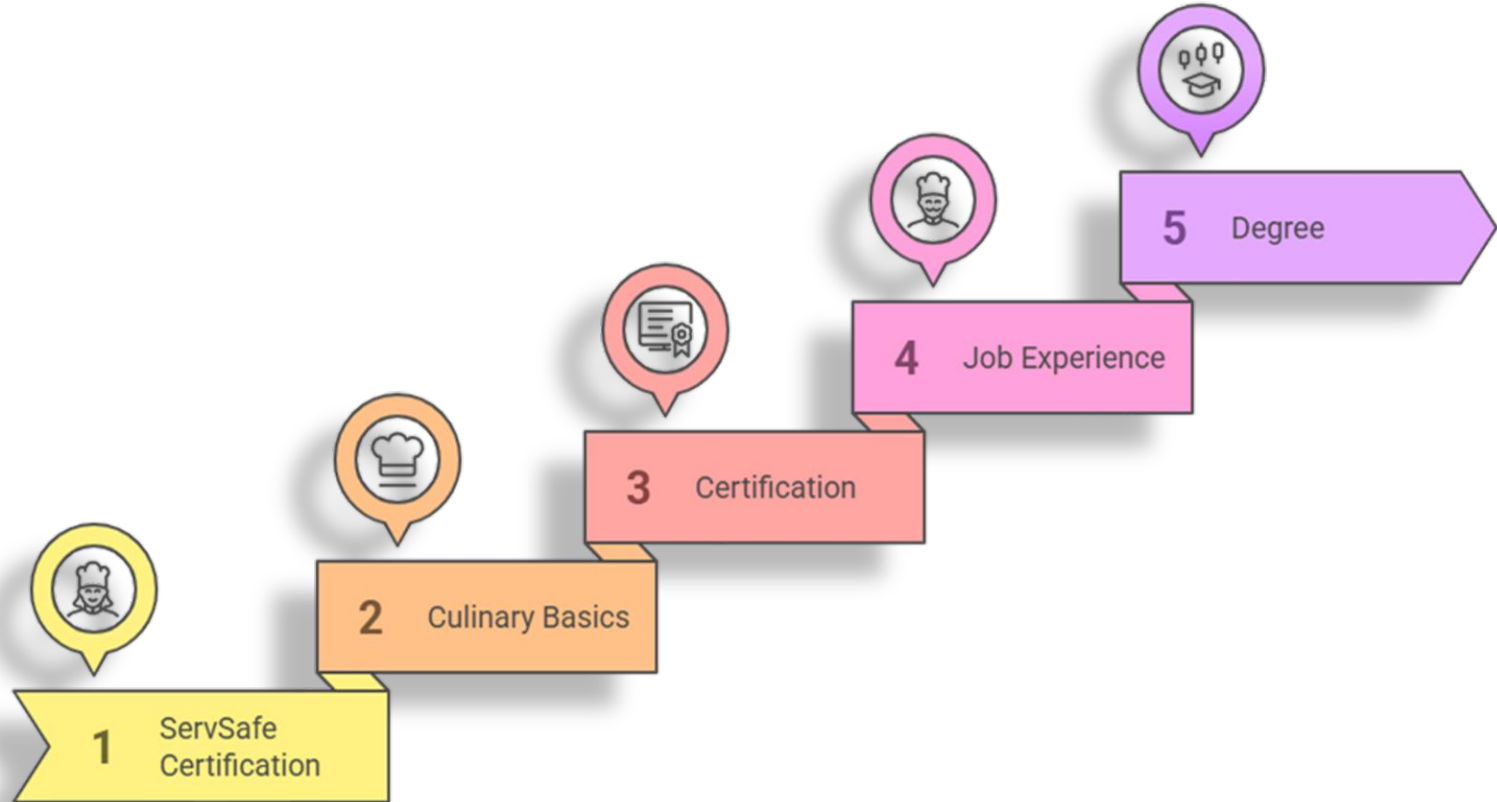
What does success look like? (ROI)

- Number of students who enroll and complete the program
- Engagement hours on the WCC campus
- Peer to Peer authentic engagement opportunities
- Student and Parent survey results (Pre and Post)
- Qualitative input from parents, students and faculty
- Ongoing assessment practices

Digital Literacy to Employment & Degree Pathway



Culinary Pathway to Food Industry Careers



Next Steps

- Secure Funding
- Selection of Students
- Informational Parent Meeting
- Program Selections Based on Student Interest
- Parent and Student Orientation at WCC
- Staff Planning (WCC and District)
- Finalize Program Logistics

Panel Discussion

How was this regional approach created? How does each school district benefit?

How do you see this initiative aligning with the Graduation Measures work and Blue Ribbon Commission (BRC) recommendations?



QUESTIONS

WE HAVE THE ANSWER