



**WCHS CHARTER SCHOOL RENEWAL
CALL TO ACTION LETTER WRITING CAMPAIGN
FROM YOUR PARENT COORDINATOR Ms. PINK**



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Let's Talk about the Charter School Renewal ...



Your scholar & family are currently enrolled at Williamsburg Charter High School (WCHS) or as I call it “ **The Hidden Jewel of All Charter Schools in Brooklyn**”. We have Amazing course offerings, electives, college & career readiness, championship sports teams. ENL department, counseling, social workers, special needs department, music, theater, ceramics, media arts and an Awesome Parent Leadership Council. However, every five years, the school's administrators (From the State on NY) face a critical decision: whether to keep the school operational or not. This crucial process is referred to as **charter school renewal**.



In the bustling city of New York, numerous charter schools exist, each of which must undergo this evaluation. The individuals responsible for overseeing the educational landscape in NYC strive to ensure that charter schools are effectively fulfilling their mission of fostering student learning. During the charter school renewal in NYC, those in positions of authority (Known as the Authorizer), meticulously assess the school's academic, organizational, and financial performance. They evaluate the students' academic progress and evaluate the effectiveness of the teachers. Additionally, they ascertain whether the school adheres to all regulations and maintains a fair and equitable environment for all stakeholders.





If a charter school demonstrates exceptional performance, it earns the privilege of remaining open for an extended period (up to five years). Conversely, if a school fails to meet the expected standards, the authorities may be compelled to close it down, necessitating the relocation of its students to alternative educational institutions.

Charter school renewal in NYC serves as a comprehensive check-up for these educational establishments. If a school excels in its endeavors, it is granted the opportunity to continue its mission. However, if a school falls short, a new course of action must be devised to ensure the students' educational needs are met.



NEW YORK STATE BOARD OF REGENTS



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- The New York State Regents are responsible for the general supervision of all educational activities within the State, presiding over The University and the New York State Education Department. The Regents are organized into standing committees, subcommittees and work groups whose members and chairs are appointed by the Chancellor. The Board comprises 17 unsalaried members elected by the State Legislature for 5 year terms.
- Our NYS Board of Regents also vote on the approval, renewal, revision and closure of charter schools.
- There is a NYS Board of Regent assigned to each school based on the region they cover. It is important to be in contact with the your Regent each and every year!

CALL TO ACTION – WRITE TO YOUR NYS BOARD OF REGENTS

THIS IS OUR BOARD OF REGENTS:

Member: **Kathleen M. Cashin**

E District: Kings – 2nd
Judicial District

- Regents Office:
- State Education Building
- 89 Washington Avenue
- Albany, NY 12234
- Phone (518) 474-5889
- Regent.Cashin@nysed.gov



NEXT STEPS...

We now have a clearer understanding of the Charter Renewal Process and who's our Board of Regents. Our **Charter Renewal Visit** is set for **November 8th & 9th, 2023**. Now it's your turn to ensure WCHS stays open and is renewed for **FIVE MORE YEARS**:

- ➔ **Write a Letter to our Board of Regents** and let here know why WCHS should stay open, how much you love your school, the services & support you receive, how you enjoy the extracurricular activities, how Amazing and helpful the staff is, the holistic approach from the Academy Leaders, counselors and social workers, the Amazing Theater, Ceramics classes and Music classes offered, plus the Awesome Parent Leadership Council and resources from your Parent Coordinator



NEXT STEPS CONTINUED.....

- ADVISORS IN YOUR ADVISORY CLASSES PLEASE HAVE ALL SCHOLARS WRITE A LETTER TO OUR BOARD OF REGENTS. PLEASE USE THE TEMPLATE ON THE NEXT SLIDE. **COMPLETE BY MONDAY OCTOBER 16th, 2023 BY THE END OF DAY.**
- PARENTS PLEASE EMAIL OUR BOARD OF REGENTS Ms. CASHIN AT: Regent.Cashin@nysed.gov
- ON NOVEMBER 8th & 9th, 2023 FAMILIES ENSURE YOUR CHILD IS ON TIME & IN SCHOOL UNIFORM AS ALWAYS.

Thank you
so much!

for your valuable help!



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CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL

Date: October____, 2023

Dear Ms. Cashin,



