



Dear Community Education Council 28,

Thank you for your resolution urging New York City Public Schools to remain a welcoming place for all students and reaffirming your Council's values. Every single child deserves to feel safe in their school, and NYCPS is committed to ensuring the physical and emotional safety of students no matter their identity, family background, or circumstance. We have endeavored to communicate this across the system and make available numerous resources for families and communities.

We are always open to feedback on how to most effectively spread awareness and to that end, want to share with you several resources.

First, the Chancellor recently released several messages to reassure families that our policies at NYCPS have not changed and we continue to support and protect all of our students including immigrant students and students with immigrant family members. On our '[Messages to Families](#)' page, you can review in multiple languages:

- A message from the Chancellor that went out shortly after the 2024 election.
- A message to families sharing important information about our non-local law enforcement policy and efforts to ensure the safety of immigrant students.
- A message to families regarding LGBTQ students.

There are also more resources available on our [Project Open Arms](#) webpage, including:

- A message from Chancellor affirming the right of all children including immigrant children to attend our schools and what policies are in place to protect them.
- Information about "Know Your Rights" trainings for families, which are also in place for our staff.
- Other resources, including a FAQ about our policies.

We monitor very closely any action taken by the federal government that might impact our students and schools. We know we can rely on you to make sure the families of Community School District 28 know they are welcome in our schools and that their

children will be safe there. Thank you for taking the time to draft, discuss and pass this resolution, and ensure your school community knows they have your support.

Thanks,

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