



# Fair Student Funding Working Group Meeting #7

October 13th, 2022

# Agenda

- Welcome from the Co-Chairs
- Debrief the Community Engagement Sessions and Feedback
- Review Preliminary Responses from Ranked Choice Voting
- Align On and Begin to Prioritize Recommendations
- Receive Update from Report Writers
- Review Requested Small Schools Data
- Next Steps

# Norms

- Transparency, visibility, and discussion will be prioritized
- Assume positive intent and lead with intentionality—if a disagreement does arise, it will be proactively addressed
- Step up and step back – making space for all to share

# Part I: Debriefing the Community Engagement Sessions



# Share Out and Appreciations

- Thank you to Sheree, Melessa, Tom and Ted for leading the charge on our community engagement work!
- Reflections on the Community Engagement Sessions

# Themes from the Community Engagement Sessions

- Special education breakage
- Base allocation is not sufficient
- Lack of transparency and understanding of the formula
- Funding based on need is important, including students in temporary housing
- Average teacher salary

## Part II: Reviewing Preliminary Voting Results



# Process for Tallying Votes

- Assigned point values to each rank – 1st Choice (10) to 10th Choice (1)
- 11th place vote or no vote were assigned 0 points
- Added total points together to get final point assignments

*Goal here is to quickly share some topline results in a transparent way.*



# Reviewing the Results

- Review the results of the top five recommendations
- Engage in discussion about the top recommendations

## Part III: Aligning on and Beginning to Prioritize Recommendations



# Next Steps on the Recommendations

- Is there anything that is missing?
- How does the group want to further prioritize?
- Hearing from the report writers what else they need (up next!)

# Report Writers Update on Progress



# Appreciations and Share Outs!

- Thank you to Melessa, Ted, Liz, Kaliris, Michael M., and Marina for volunteering to write the report.
- Review where they are and where they are going.
- Flag concerns – what they need from the group.

# What we need from the group between now and the next meeting

- Report writers will be working diligently to finalize a draft by Monday, October 24th.
- The writing group will then engage in internal editing on Tuesday, October 25th.
- The writing group will share the draft report with the full WG on Wednesday, October 26th for their review.
- The Working Group will engage in final discussion and revisions to the report on Thursday, October 27th in our final meeting – *in person at Tweed*.
- The writing group will integrate final changes by Friday, October 28th and share back with the group.
- The Working Group will submit the final report to the Chancellor on Monday, October 31st.

# List of Meeting Dates for the Working Group

- Meeting #8: Thursday, October 27th, 4pm to 6:00pm – Will be In Person at Tweed Courthouse

# Small Schools Data





# Raising Questions about Small Schools

- Tom uplifted a question about small schools, which has also been echoed throughout many discussions in the working group.
- In response, the NYC Public Schools team gathered the following information:
  - Re-visit the data on small school breakdown by grade level that was previously shared
  - How many schools are co-located
  - Share some preliminary analysis on Tom's question

In 2021-22, there were 201 schools across the city with fewer than 200 students enrolled; school size ranges dramatically, from 44 to nearly 6,000.

	# schools	Avg. size	Size range	<200	200-400	400-600	600+
Elementary & Early Childhood Schools	662	443	44 to 1,619	88	243	185	146
Middle Schools	261	509	75 to 2,100	51	110	32	68
High & Secondary Schools	464	624	60 to 5,958	59	151	143	111
K-8 & K-12 Schools	137	598	128 to 1,640	3	33	49	52
<b>All Schools</b>	<b>1,524</b>	<b>523</b>	<b>44 to 5,958</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>537</b>	<b>409</b>	<b>377</b>

# FOR MORE INFORMATION

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