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TO: District Superintendents

Superintendents of Schools

Principals of Public, Religious, and Independent Schools

Leaders of Charter Schools

FROM: Betty A. Rosa, Commissione/

SUBJECT: Administration of the June and August 2022 Regents Examinations

The purpose of this memorandum is to inform you that the New York State Education Department (NYSED or "the Department") plans to administer the June and August 2022 Regents Examinations in accordance with the posted <u>examination schedules</u>.

The Board of Regents and the Department continue to monitor the state of schools in New York and remain steadfast in our shared commitment to putting the health and safety of students and teachers first. Based on the data currently available to the Department, we believe that Regents Examinations can be administered safely and equitably across the State in June and August 2022. As a result, it is important for schools and districts to offer these exams as one of multiple measures of student achievement in the 2021-22 school year. Assessing our students at the state-level provides a valuable opportunity to determine the extent to which individual students are achieving the NYS learning standards and informs steps the Department can take to foster equity to improve the educational opportunities for every student in New York.

We are grateful to the dedicated educators, school staff, community members, and parents who are working so diligently to support New York's students. The Department will continue working directly with schools every day to ensure that we are providing responsive support related to ordering and preparing for the administration of state assessments.

Any questions about the administration of the Regents Examinations should be directed to the Office of State Assessment (OSA) at emscassessinfo@nysed.gov. All guidance related to the Regents Exams will be available on OSA's website.