

Statement from the Parents of the Five Boroughs
on Today's Fire Carranza Rally -- Wednesday, July 31, 2019
IS 131, 100 Hester Street, NY NY 10013

In June Council Member Holden sent a letter to Mayor de Blasio regarding Chancellor Carranza. He demanded "that if Chancellor Carranza continues to divide this city," he must be fired.

Chancellor Carranza has doubled down. On Wednesday July 31 at the Panel for Educational Policy meeting Carranza is trying to pass a culturally responsive-sustaining education ("CR-SE") provision. This policy will promote so called equity over academics. We all know every time Carranza says "equity" it is code words for pushing children down. On the public notice for the meeting and policy vote, it states "The policy should name the role of "whiteness" in the system of inequities that exist in our educational system." Another words, a teacher will be taking a "student-centered instruction" approach and will be treating a student differently based on their backgrounds. Carranza should be engaging in the hard work to improve education for all children, not scapegoating children for his failures.

CEC 2 President and activist Maud Maron said "The simplistic narrative that is being peddled is white privilege. What's confounding about this proposal is that it doesn't acknowledge the successes of students doing well in New York City public schools and instead identifies it as problematic white privilege," she added, "They also have to deal with the inconvenient fact that somehow, low-income Asian students are outperforming all other groups in a system they argue historically and currently centers whiteness." Maron then ominously warned the CR-SE "runs the very real risk — as I have seen it implemented in my district — of making education an afterthought in our schools."

Recently with the departure of cronies such as Abram Jimenez hired by Carranza, various lawsuits filed against DOE, anonymous reports to the Dept. of Investigations and other channels, all evidence points to Carranza's plan of bringing in Corruption, Cronyism, and Racism – all under the name of racial diversity.

As Holden said "We need a chancellor who promotes education, not division." Chancellor Carranza has once again chosen racial division over education. It is time for him to go before any more damage is done. De Blasio must be a leader and "FIRE CARRANZA!"