

## CACAGNY Invites Members and Friends to Support Campaign to Lift Charter Cap May 24, 2022

CACAGNY invites you to join an email campaign to urge key elected officials to lift the charter cap in New York City. All it takes is three simple steps: (1) [click here](#), (2) enter the requested identifying information, and (3) click the big red “Send Email” button!

It is obvious to anyone with eyes that the New York City Department of Education (DOE) has given up on education. Every couple of years the educrats at DOE bring out a new set of fancy excuses and a new set of grand, expensive panaceas. The latest big one is “social emotional learning,” without which students *of course* cannot possibly be taught! Meanwhile schools continue to careen down their death spiral. Curricula become dumber and dumber, rigor goes down the toilet, and teachers tell students to skip standardized testing altogether so no one will ever find out the disastrous job they are doing.

Against this dismal backdrop, high-performing charter schools shine as a great hope for families who care about rigorous education but haven’t yet fled New York City public schools. These schools deliver results that are comparable to, and often better than, that of the G&T programs and top selective “screened” schools that our parents try so hard to get their children into, but which the City wrecked because they have “too many Asians.” (The new G&T program promised for next year [will not be the high-quality G&T](#) you hoped for!) That’s why Chinese families have become increasingly interested in high-performing charter schools, and Asian enrollments in some of them have risen dramatically.

CACAGNY has been an outspoken supporter of high-performing charter schools, as in [here](#) and [here](#), and recently organized a highly attended [webinar with Success Academy](#) to introduce high-performing charter schools to more Chinese families. (Success Academy is the organizer of this email campaign.) The problem for Chinese families is that all but a few high-performing charter schools are too far for our parents to take their young children to school easily. *New charter schools are needed near Chinese neighborhoods* – and here is where the email campaign comes in.

The number of charter schools allowed in New York City is limited by a numerical “charter cap,” and that cap has been reached. It’s ridiculous that there should be a cap in the first place, but in the meantime, *new charter schools near our families cannot be built unless that cap is lifted*. For that to happen, *elected officials in Albany have to agree*. Given the immense popularity of charter schools in New York City, especially for Black, Hispanic, and now increasingly, Asian families, as evidenced by their huge waiting lists, one would think that lifting the cap by elected officials should be a no-brainer. But powerful teachers’ unions, in coalition with progressive leftists whose ideologies deny the virtues of studying and working hard, push back against families who care about education. **That is why your participation in this email campaign is important.**

Please join this campaign, and forward this information to all your friends! Lifting the charter cap is the right thing for our families, for all the families of New York City, for the future of New York City.

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