

May 9, 2021

**CACAGNY to NYC State Senators: Please Meet with Us on the SHSAT**

To: New York City State Senators  
Bcc: Press  
Re: Senate Bill S3087 on the SHSAT

Senate Bill S3087, sponsored by Senator Salazar, sits in front of you. It proposes to repeal the Hecht-Calandra Act, so that New York City's Specialized High Schools could stop using the race-blind scholastic achievement test, the SHSAT, as sole admission criterion.

S3087 is an undisguised racist attempt to expel Asians from the Specialized High Schools. And it is inconceivably outrageous that at a time like this, when racist thugs scream “*you don't belong here*” while brazenly assaulting Asians on New York City streets in broad daylight, this bill brazenly codifies into public law the racist narrative, written right into the dog-whistle language in its text, that Specialized High Schools have *too many Asians*, that “*you don't belong here*” in schools either.

*We belong here*, on these streets and subways, in these schools, in this New York, in this America, and we want to have a substantive conversation with you. If you are considering supporting S3087, we want you to justify supporting the bill's racist premise of *too many Asians* in the Specialized High Schools.

Regardless, we'd like to present to you the *facts* about the massive, unconscionable failures in New York City's public schools. For too long, special interests and their fronts have directed manipulative, narrative-laundering disinformation campaigns at you on the SHSAT. It's time for us grassroots to show you the facts. Only from facts will genuine solutions emerge. Without facts, all you get is scapegoating and self-deception. And scapegoating and self-deception are what S3087 is about. Coming from a place of hate, S3087 would solve no problems, and end only in animosity and futility.

We are serious about wanting to have a substantive meeting with you, because we are serious about racism against Asians. CACAGNY already has two lawsuits in Federal Courts against the City of New York on the matter of racism against Asians. We are serious.

So please set aside time to have a substantive meeting with us. We will be calling you next week.

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