

The Chinese American Citizens Alliance of Greater N.Y. (CACAGNY)

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CACAGNY Joins Lawsuit to Stop Discrimination Against Asian Americans

New York City; December 13, 2018: CACAGNY joined a lawsuit filed today in Federal Court to stop Mayor De Blasio's thinly disguised plan to change the Discovery Program at our Specialized High Schools to intentionally exclude hundreds of eligible Asian-American students from these renowned New York City public high schools. Three of these public high schools have graduated an incomparable fourteen Nobel Laureates in the sciences.

Wai Wah Chin, President of CACAGNY stated, "The Chinese American Citizens Alliance was founded to fight for the civil rights of Chinese Americans nearly 125 years ago after the discriminatory Chinese Exclusion Acts were put into law. It wasn't until December 17, 1943, nearly 75 years ago to this day, that the Acts were repealed. And today, De Blasio wants to re-institute Chinese Exclusion in education, right here in our city.

"We Chinese Americans are here, in this city, in this country, as fellow citizens together with others. We support better education for all students in New York City. We advocated for the expansion of Gifted and Talented and Honors programs in every district in the city, so everyone, regardless of community, could get the best education they can take advantage of, and compete for the Specialized High Schools on equal footing if they wish.

"What we oppose are divisive policies that judge our students not for their individual ability or desire for a Specialized High School, but for the race and ethnicity into which they were born. Those policies are un-American, and we seek justice and protection in the courts."



About Chinese American Citizens Alliance of Greater New York (CACAGNY)

The Chinese American Citizens Alliance, established in 1895, is the oldest civil rights organization dedicated to the advocacy of Chinese Americans. CACAGNY, its New York chapter, continues this 120-year tradition to empower and enhance the future of Chinese Americans through advocacy for Chinese-American interests, based on the principles of fairness and equal opportunity, and guided by the ideals of patriotism, civility, and dedication to family and moral standards. cacagny.org

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