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**CACAGNY Calls for Reinstatement of Gifted and Talented Test**

Now that disgraced Chancellor Carranza is just waiting out the rest of his term in New York City, CACAGNY urges Mayor De Blasio to work with the Panel for Education Policy (PEP) and schedule a re-vote of the vendor contract for the Gifted and Talented program admission test.

This time, Carranza won't be able to sabotage his boss. The Staten Island borough president replaced his delegate at the PEP for voting against his specific instructions to approve the contract. With this change, the re-vote should pass.

The designated interim chancellor, Meisha Ross Porter, is on public record supporting the concept of Gifted and Talented programs. At the same time, what the outgoing chancellor has proposed to use instead of the test -- an arbitrary, random lottery on top of the wobbly foundation of subjective teachers' questionnaires -- is a total travesty.

CACAGNY agrees that the current Gifted and Talented Program serves too few students. A number of bills in Albany – Assemblyman Colton's A4083A, Senator Addabbo's S3445, Assemblywoman Rozic's A410, Senator Comrie's S4015 – propose both to expand the *reach* and to increase the *variety* of Gifted and Talented Programs in New York City. "But until those bills become reality," says CACAGNY President Phil Wong, "it makes no sense to destroy the Gifted and Talented Program around which thousands of families – many of them recent immigrants with no affordable alternatives – have planned and staked their stay in New York City."

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