



**Department of  
Education**

*Dennis M. Walcott, Chancellor*

November 6, 2012

Dear Families,

Due to the devastation caused by Hurricane Sandy, several schools have been serving as emergency shelters. Your child's school building will continue to host a shelter.

We will not open the building to students tomorrow, Wednesday, November 7. Students will return to school on Thursday, November 8.

Safety is our top priority and once the shelter is closed we will be taking every precaution to ensure your school is clean and sanitary before it opens for classes. We will be sanitizing all areas, including bathrooms and public areas. All door knobs also will be wiped clean and sanitized.

There are so many New York City residents in need of shelter, warmth and other necessities, which is why our schools have been made available to aid during this time. We appreciate your help and understanding.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dennis M. Walcott".

Dennis M. Walcott  
Chancellor