

SCHOOL ALLOCATION MEMORANDUM NO. 71, FY 2016

DATE: October 16, 2015

TO: Community Superintendents
High School Superintendents
Borough Field Service Center Teams
School Principals

FROM: Raymond J. Orlando, Chief Financial Officer

SUBJECT: Safe Schools Initiative

The Office of Safety and Youth Development (OSYD) is supporting a cadre of high need schools to achieve improved student behavioral outcomes so that each school provides a safe and supportive environment in which students can achieve academic success.

Schools were identified for support based on the following criteria:

- ❖ *schools designated as Persistently Dangerous;*
- ❖ *schools designated as Impact;*
- ❖ *schools that are high need based on a review of 2013-2014 and 2014-2015 incident data; and current 2015-2016 trends; and*
- ❖ *schools identified as in need for prevention and/or intervention measures.*

This memorandum allocates funds to these schools for professional development and direct student services to support this initiative. Professional development is expected to build the capacity of school personnel to sustain long-term improved school tone and culture beyond the time frame of this initiative. In particular, schools that participated in restorative approaches training during the summer of 2015 are receiving funds for on-site coaching and support to staff members implementing restorative circles.

Direct services to students will be provided by external community-based organization partners who will supervise social work interns. The social workers will support student academic progress, emotional wellness, and organizational skills by connecting young people with mental health clinical supports, tutoring, positive young adult role models, supported internships, employment opportunities, and non-stigmatizing family-level interventions.

Program designs will be developed at the respective schools in partnership with OSYD and then submitted for approval. Designs for professional development will be approved by Jolan Nagi and for direct services by Joshua Laub.

In addition, District 60 will receive \$297,272 to support schools with capacity building professional development to implement restorative approaches. Over the course of the school year, 2015-2016, OSYD will train 510 staff members from up to 60 schools in restorative approaches. The sessions are scheduled either after-school or on Saturdays. In accordance with collective bargaining agreements, the D60 allocation covers the cost of training rate compensation for the school-based staff for participating in the training, and per session pay for training supervisors.

Tax Levy funds directly allocated to a school's budget will be placed in the **TL SAFE SCHOOL** allocation category. Schools should schedule their allotment in accordance with their approved program proposal.

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Attachment(s):

Table 1 – School Allocation Summary ([click here for a downloadable Excel file](#))

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Table 1: Schools Allocation Summary

BFSC	BFSC Team	Location	Amount
94MFSC	94MR03	01M378	7,200
94MFSC	94MR04	02M167	7,200
94AFSA	94AR05	05M157	7,200
94AFSA	94AR04	07X334	7,200
94AFSA	94AR03	09X252	7,200
94XFSC	94XR02	09X329	23,958
94AFSA	94AR02	09X568	7,200
94XFSC	94XR02	11X508	7,200
94XFSC	94XR01	12X511	7,200
94KFSN	94KR03	13K301	7,200
94AFSA	94AR04	13K439	7,200
94KFSN	94KR02	13K492	7,200
94KFSN	94KR02	19K502	23,958
94AFSA	94AR03	19K510	23,958
94KFSS	94KU01	21K410	7,200
94AFSA	94AR05	21K468	7,200
94QFSN	94QR03	25Q250	7,200
94QFSS	94QU01	27Q319	7,200
94QFSS	94QU03	28Q217	7,200
TOTAL			187,074