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To: All Charter School Leaders for Schools Located in New York City that Served Students in the 2019-2020 School Year

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Subject: Additional State Aid for Charter Schools in New York City that Served Students in the 2019-2020 School Year

The 2019 state budget, as enacted, and amended in 2020, provides a one-time State Aid allocation for charter schools in New York City serving students in the 2019-2020 school year. These allocations have been approved for disbursement and will be processed shortly.

Distribution of these funds are as such: **\$24,900,000 Enacted Budget Appropriation (pages 140-141 of chapter 53 of the laws of 2019, as amended by page 242 of chapter 53 of the laws of 2020).** As required by the methodology set forth in the enacting and amended budget language, the appropriation will result in an anticipated per-pupil allocation of \$195.45 that must be based upon each charter school's February 1, 2020 BEDS enrollment data snapshot. Pursuant to the enacting and amended budget language, these funds are attributable to the 2019-2020 school year. As directed, these funds will be disbursed at 100% of the allocation.

This one-time State Aid allocation is separate from regular per-pupil tuition payments from a student's district of residence. Because there is no mechanism within the Department to distribute State Aid directly to charter schools, the allocations will be paid to charter schools via the Department's grants system. The payment will be posted to each charter school's grant status report at <u>http://www.oms.nysed.gov/cafe/reports/</u> and will be labeled 0383-21-xxxx. Because this is not a grant program, this payment will be automatically issued. There is no need to submit an application or any other documents typically associated with a grant awarded by the Department. Similarly, as enacted in the state budget, there are no conditions regarding the use of these funds.

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