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Dear MBK Community Superintendents,

On behalf of the students and communities in New York State, THANK YOU. Your leadership during this public health crisis is needed and appreciated now more than ever.

With that in mind, I would like to partner with you to ensure that our the MBK Fellows and the MBK Communities that support them remain engaged during this period of remote learning and social distancing. While we were expected to have an MBK Symposium on April 23rd, we have rescheduled it to October 30th. In the interim, we are partnering with the Partnership for After School Education (PASE) in New York City to have a virtual MBK Village Meeting via ZOOM on April 23rd from 1:30 PM to 3:00 PM. Check in begins at 1:15 PM. This virtual meeting is **intended for the 2018, 2019, and incoming 2020 MBK Fellows** (and the adults who support them). The focus of this meeting will be on the *Needs, Deeds and Impact* of the MBK Fellows. Every individual who participates in this meeting **must** register in advance with the link that is forthcoming.

Finally, if you have not done so already, please be sure that you or your designee forwards the names of your incoming 2020 MBK Fellows to Ms. Karen Hymes NO LATER than 12 PM, April 20, 2020. You may reach Ms. Hymes at Karen.Hymes@nysed.gov. More information about MBK Fellow participation in the event is forthcoming. I look forward to partnering with you all, yet again.

Your Partner in Education,

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