

**RESOLUTION OF THE NEW YORK CITY PANEL FOR EDUCATIONAL POLICY
OPPOSING ICE IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT POLICIES**

2025-2026 Panel for Educational Policy

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Sponsorship:

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the New York City Panel for Educational Policy (Panel) is committed to ensuring that all students, regardless of their immigration status, have access to a safe, welcoming, and equitable educational environment; and

WHEREAS, recent policies and actions by the United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) have included the detention and arrest of minors and, in some cases, who are students of New York City Public Schools (NYCPS); and

WHEREAS, such policies threaten the safety, well-being, and educational stability of our students, undermine the trust between immigrant communities and public institutions, and contradict the fundamental principles of equity and justice that guide our education system; and

WHEREAS, immigration enforcement actions in or around schools create a chilling effect that discourages families from sending children to school and undermines the educational mission of NYCPS; and

WHEREAS, the detention and arrest of children based on immigration enforcement policies have been widely condemned by community organizations, legal experts, and human rights advocates; and

WHEREAS, the City of New York has a moral obligation to protect all children within its jurisdiction, including those who are undocumented or have uncertain immigration status; and

WHEREAS, the Panel recognizes that immigrant students and their families contribute significantly to the fabric of our city and deserve to be protected from any form of detention or criminalization based on their immigration status.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Panel commends and calls upon NYCPS to continue its commitment to, and further strengthen and expand its protocols for, creating a school environment that is safe, inclusive, and free from immigration enforcement actions, and to provide staff with updated, clear guidance and training on how to protect students. The Panel also encourages NYCPS to increase collaboration with community organizations to support immigrant students and their families.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Panel opposes any policies or practices by ICE that involve the detention, arrest, or deportation of public school students; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Panel urges all elected officials representing New York City (e.g., the Mayor, Comptroller, City Council, State Senate, State Assembly, Congressional Representatives, and Senators) to oppose and actively work to prevent the detention and arrest of children by ICE; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution will be shared with all elected officials who represent New York City locally, as well as at the state and federal level.