

August 17, 2022
Mayor Eric Adams
City Hall
New York, NY 10007

Dear Mayor Adams,

You announced on July 1, 2022, your intention to vaccinate all public school children with the Covid 19 vaccines in the fall. It seems to us, the undersigned parents of the Success Academy charter school network, that you are making an epic mistake. We urge you to withdraw this threat and adhere to the medical freedom principle of “My Body, My Choice,” and for parents, “My Child, My Choice.”

The Covid 19 mandates requiring all Success Academy students to vaccinate or be tested weekly were a failure, as reported in the New York Post of Friday, June 20. The Success Academy network revoked their mandates under pressure from a six-months-long campaign by parents who wrote letters, demonstrated, and reached out for support to state and local legislative officials. Over 1,300 parents from almost every school in the Success Academy network signed a petition opposing the mandates.

Public school parents in Manhattan and Brooklyn in the fall of 2021 also demonstrated their opposition to A8378, the Assembly bill that would have required all New York State students to be vaccinated. Hundreds of public school parents requested more information from the Medical Freedom Alliance, the group of volunteers who reached out to Success Academy and other NYC public school parents, about this bill and how to stop it. A8378 never advanced beyond the Assembly Health Committee.

It should be clear to you that Covid 19 mandates are unacceptable to a growing number of New York City parents. Moreover, public school enrollment declined by nearly 20,000 students over the 20-21 school year, as reported by the New York Post of June 15, 2022. Many more parents are sitting on the fence, waiting to see if they will “be heard and respected” by New York City leaders, as Chancellor David Banks says he will do.

If you really want to return New York to normalcy, you need to start with respect for

parents' rights to freely choose or decline any medical procedure, such as the Covid 19 vaccine, not required by law. As it is, the Covid 19 vaccines' reputation has become irreparably tarnished as to efficacy and safety. If you pursue your announced Covid 19 mandate, the harm to the physical, social, and economic health of the city you are purporting to help will be enormous, and your credibility will suffer accordingly.

Respectfully yours,

Parents of Success Academy Schools:

- Iwona D., SA Williamsburg
- Catherine P. and David M., SA Bergen Beach
- Shannon Arias, SA Harlem 4
- Nyabel L, SA UWS
- Rachel Rosado, SA Harlem 3
- Laurie Romano, SA Union Square
- Gina Moreau SA Union Square
- Angelica Avila, SA UWS
- Michael and Nana Grigoryan, SA Bensonhurst
- Elena Klimenko, SA UWS
- Maiy Sayedhamad and Michael Ramos, SA Hudson Yards
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- Alicia Gonzalez, SA Harlem 1
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- Abigail Joubert & Rene P. Flores, SA Williamsburg
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- Daria Kolonias, SA UWS
- Ian and Tanya Schlesinger, SA Midtown West

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Cc: Ashwin Asan, Commissioner, NYC DOH; David Banks, Chancellor, NYC DOE; Rita Joseph, Chair of Education Committee, NY City Council;
Jumaane Williams, NYC Public Advocate; Brad Lander, NYC Comptroller