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To: District Superintendents, Superintendents of Public Schools, and Principals of Charter Schools
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Subject: Release of Accountability Determinations based on 2012-13 School Year Results
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The purpose of this memo is to provide an update about the forthcoming release of a number of preliminary district and school accountability determinations for the 2014-2015 school year. These determinations are based on the 2012–13 New York State Accountability Report, which was released on April 29, 2014. The 2012–13 New York State Accountability Reports for districts and schools can be found on the New York State Education Department (SED or “the Department”) website at: <https://reportcards.nysed.gov/>.

On or around July 25, 2014, SED plans to release the following preliminary accountability determinations on the Information and Reporting Services Portal (IRSP): <http://portal.nysed.gov/portal/page/pref/PortalApp>:

1. Local Assistance Plan schools list for the 2014–15 school year
2. Accountability Status for districts and schools for the 2014–15 school year
3. Progress and removal status of current Priority Schools
4. Progress and removal status of current Focus Districts
5. Progress and removal status of current Focus Schools
6. List of schools that can be used to substitute for Focus Schools that are eligible for replacement (for current Focus Districts)
7. Reward Schools list for the 2014–15 school year
8. District and school level unadjusted Student Growth Percentiles (SGP)

Districts will receive notification when the aforementioned lists are posted. Once this data is posted, districts will have the opportunity to review the data, appeal the determinations, and learn about the requirements associated with the accountability determinations. Districts are encouraged to ensure that district staff who are knowledgeable about the State accountability measures and assessment data are available to review these files during the one week window when the preliminary data is available for review and appeals may be submitted.

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