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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to distributing information about afterschool programs

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 31 of Title 21-A of the administrative code of the city of New York, as added by local law number 73 for the year 2023, is amended by adding a new section 21-1002.1 to read as follows:

§ 21-1002.1 Information on after school programs and application process. a. Definitions. For purposes of this section, the following terms have the following meanings:

Home language. The term “home language” means the language most frequently used in a student's home, as indicated by the response provided by the student’s parent or person in parental relation, as such term is defined in subdivision 10 of section 2 of the education law, on the home language questionnaire as such term is defined in section 154-2.2 of title 8 of the New York codes, rules and regulations, regarding services for English language learners, or a successor provision.

School. The term “school” means any school of the city school district that contains any combination of grades from kindergarten through grade 12.

b. Development of materials. The department shall, in consultation with the department of youth and community development, develop materials regarding afterschool programs, including but not limited to, afterschool programs funded by the department and those funded by the department of youth and community development. At a minimum, such materials shall include the following:

1. A list of afterschool programs offered at each school;

2. Information on eligibility requirements for such programs, where applicable;

3. Information on costs to students to participate in such programs, where applicable;

4. Information on the application process for such programs, including, but not limited to, a list of documents accepted to prove eligibility; and

5. Contact information for afterschool providers operating such programs.

c. Distribution to parents. The department shall electronically distribute all materials developed pursuant to subdivision b of this section to parents annually by October 1 of each academic year. For any afterschool program beginning after October 1, all materials shall be updated to include such programs and redistributed to parents electronically by February 1 of the same academic school year.

d. Distribution to students. The department shall distribute all materials developed pursuant to subdivision b of this section in hard copy to each school for distribution to every student of such school annually by October 1 of each academic year. Schools shall also distribute such materials to any student who transfers into such school after January 15 of the same academic year. For any afterschool program beginning after October 1, all materials shall be updated to include such programs and redistributed to students in hard copy by February 1 of the same academic school year.

e. Language accessibility. All materials developed pursuant to subdivision b of this section shall use plain, simple, and age appropriate language and shall be made available in English, the 9 most common home languages of students enrolled in schools, and in additional languages as determined by the department.

f. Availability of materials. The department shall ensure that all materials developed pursuant to subdivision b of this section are provided to all schools in sufficient quantity to satisfy the requirements of subdivision d of this section. Materials shall also be made available (i) in the main or central office of each school; (ii) on each school's individual website, if available; (iii) on the department's website; and (iv) on any

online portal for students and parents.

§ 2. This local law takes effect 120 days after it becomes law.

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