Budget Analysis for FY 2018-19 Executive Budget Proposal

**Major Funding Streams**

**Empire State After-School:** The Executive Proposal includes an additional $10 million for a new round grants for the Empire State After-School Program, bringing the total investment in the program to $45 million. New funding will be eligible to school districts or not-for-profit community based organizations, a change from last year’s language that restricted eligibility to school districts. $2 million of this funding is reserved for applicants located in at-risk areas in Nassau or Suffolk County. The remaining $8 million will be targeted to applicants in school districts with high rates of student homelessness.

**Advantage After School:** Proposed funding is at the same level as last year’s Executive Budget ($17,255,300), but a $2.5 million cut from the FY17-18 Enacted Budget passed in April, and a $5 million cut from the FY16-17 Enacted Budget. Last year, the Legislature added $2.5 million for a total appropriation of $19.8 million, which is not reflected in the Executive proposal. The proposed funding of $17.3 million will not provide the Office of Children and Family Services with enough funds to issue a new round of Advantage After School grants. If a new round is to be funded, the Legislature will have to restore funding to the FY16-17 level of $22.3 million.

**Extended Learning Time:** The Executive Proposal includes an appropriation of $21,590,000 million for the continuation of extended learning time grants to school districts or school districts in collaboration with nonprofit community-based organizations. This is a $1.59 million increase over last year’s Enacted Budget for ELT.

**Extended School Day / School Violence Prevention:** Proposed funding is at the same level as last year’s Enacted Budget ($24,344,000).

**Youth Development Program:** Proposed funding is at the same level as last year’s Executive Budget ($14,121,700). The Legislature added $1,499,000 last year, which is not reflected in the Executive proposal. The Article VII language also proposes to extend the Youth Development Program laws for three years, until December 31, 2021.

**Summer Youth Employment:** Proposed funding is at $40,000,000, an increase of $4 million over last year’s Enacted Budget.

**New York City SONYC funding (through education aid):** The Executive Budget appears to continue the $190 million included in last year’s Enacted Budget. We will provide an update when available.

**Community Schools**

**Community Schools Aid:** The Executive Proposal includes $200 million in community schools aid to support the conversion of schools identified as “struggling” or “persistently struggling” to community schools. This is a $50 million increase over the Governor’s FY17-18 Budget Proposal. One additional change includes raising the minimum amount of funding a school district receives from $10,000 to $75,000.

**Community Schools Regional Technical Assistance Centers:** The Executive Proposal includes $1.2 million for the continuation of Regional Technical Assistance Centers for community schools across
New York. This funding was included in the FY17-18 Enacted Budget to support the operation or establishment of community schools across New York.

**Child Care Subsidies**
The Executive Budget Briefing Book indicates a restoration of the $7 million in child care subsidies that was cut in last year’s Enacted Budget.

**Additional Funding**
QUALITYstarsNY: Proposed funding is at the same level as last year’s Executive Proposal ($5 million).

CACFP Participation: $250,000 is allocated for a competitive grant to a non-profit to increase participation in the Child and Adult Care Food Program among afterschool and early care providers. Proposed funding is at the same level as last year’s Enacted Budget.