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Summary of July 2023 Board of Regents Meeting

The Board of Regents conducted their monthly meeting on Monday, July 17th. As has been customary in the past, the July meeting includes a shortened public session with the majority of the day being dedicated Board training.

Chancellor Lester Young opened the meeting with an update on the recent NYS My Brother's Keeper (MBK) Symposium which included over 900 student participants, educational leaders and parents. Chancellor Young expressed sincere thanks to the initiative's many supporters, including the state legislature, for their continued advocacy of the program which works to close and eliminate opportunity gaps faced by boys and young men of color.

- The Board adopted a proposed amendment which provides flexibility relating to the current requirement that schools use a two-step process for identifying students in need of Academic Intervention Services (AIS) in grades 3-8.

This year marked the first administration of 3-8 assessments based on the NYS Next Generation Learning Standards. Due to the required standard setting process associated with the new assessments to determine cut scores, math and ELA results are not expected to be available to all districts before the start of the upcoming school year. To eliminate a delay in identifying students who need AIS services, schools that **do not** receive their scores prior to the beginning of the school year are not required to conduct the two-step process, and may assess students based solely on district-developed procedures and multiple measures.

The amendment is effective immediately. More specific information can be found in the link below.

<https://www.regents.nysed.gov/sites/regents/files/723p12a1.pdf>

- The Board unanimously adopted amendments providing flexibilities to encourage NYS School Food Service Programs to purchase food and milk products produced in New York State.

The amendment is effective immediately.

<https://www.regents.nysed.gov/sites/regents/files/723p12a2.pdf>

- As part of the consent agenda, Board adopted the previously discussed amendment relating to the **Prohibition of Corporal Punishment, Aversive Interventions, Prone Restrain and Seclusion; Permitted Use of Timeout; and Data Collection.**

The amendment becomes effective August 2, 2023.

The link below provides a detailed summary of the key components of the new regulations.

<https://www.regents.nysed.gov/sites/regents/files/723brca13.pdf>