

# The Achievement Gap and Looking to the Future

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- Race to the Top
  - Unprecedented Level of State Intervention
  - Comprehensive Information System
  - Teacher and Administrative Training
- Teacher Evaluations
  - Value Added System
  - Two Years of Unsatisfactory
  - Exam Success and Passing Rate will be Public Knowledge

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- National Curriculums in Math and English
  - International standards
  - New York has Agreed to Use
- State Standards
  - Creation of State Wide K-12 ELA Curriculum
  - Change in Testing Cut Points to Reflect
    - College Ready
    - Workforce Ready
  - College Based Economy

# Three Studies

- Joint Intervention Team Report
  - Mandated by the State
  - High School
  - Team of 5 Independent Evaluators, Superintendent, and Assistant Superintendent
- New York University Report
  - Steinhardt School
  - Expert in the area of Achievement Gap
- Syracuse University Report
  - Creating a College Base Culture K-12
- All Three Reports Will Be Used to Create a 5 Year Comprehensive Plan

# The Achievement Gap

- We will never be free of State lists or scrutiny unless we address the Achievement Gap
- State and National Issue
- The analysis is based on Race and we will have to talk about Race
- The conclusions do not mean we are Racist
- We must change how we do business