

March, 2018 District Manager's Report

Agency Reports:

DCA:

New Rules Regarding Food Waste Separation Announced for Additional City Businesses

Food Waste from Some Larger Restaurants, Chain Restaurants and Grocery Stores Will Now be Required to go to Beneficial Use, Not to Landfills

The New York City Department of Sanitation announced new rules expanding the City's commercial organic waste separation program. Some larger restaurants, chain restaurants and grocery stores will now be required to put their food waste to beneficial use, instead of sending it to landfills where it releases methane gas, a harmful greenhouse gas and major contributor to climate change. The rules, published in the City Record, are expected to divert about 50,000 tons of food waste from landfills every year.

Businesses covered under the new rules include:

- **Restaurants with a floor area of at least 15,000 square feet;**
- **Chain restaurants with 100 or more locations in the City that operate under common ownership or control, are individually franchised outlets of a parent business, or do business under the same corporate name;**
- **Food retailers (grocery stores) having a floor area space of at least 25,000 square feet.**

To comply with the new rules, covered businesses can hire a private carter, self-transport, or process their food scraps onsite, as long as the material goes for beneficial use, such as for use as compost or in anaerobic digestion, a way of generating renewable energy. Businesses may also donate food that would otherwise be thrown away to a third-party charity or food bank, sell or donate the food to a farmer for feedstock, or sell or donate meat by-products to a rendering company.

To allow time for education and outreach, the rules takes effect in August 2018 and will be enforced starting February 2019. The Department's outreach staff, along with other relevant agency partners, will work to educate and inform businesses of the new rules. This includes mailers, trainings and in-person visits before the rules are enforced.

The new rule is a result of Local Law 146 of 2013, which requires the Sanitation Commissioner to evaluate whether there is sufficient capacity at regional food waste processing facilities to require additional City food waste-generating businesses to separate it from their refuse for its beneficial use. The Department's most recent assessment found that substantial available capacity exists to handle material from the newly covered establishments.

Food scraps and other organic waste make up more than one-third of all commercial putrescible waste in the city. Some businesses are already putting their food waste to reuse, both voluntarily

and via a previously established rule, which covered businesses such as arenas and stadiums with more than 15,000 seats, food manufacturers with 25,000 sq. ft. or more, food wholesalers with 20,000 sq. ft. or more, and food service establishments in hotels with 150 or more rooms. Those rules, which included about 300 businesses, became effective in January 2016, and were enforced starting in January 2017.

DEP Reported: New York City Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) collects and treats an average of 1.3 billion gallons of wastewater per day at its 14 wastewater treatment plants, and our Bureau of Wastewater Treatment is responsible for the operation and maintenance of all facilities related to the treatment of sewage, including wastewater treatment plants (WWTPs), collections facilities, wastewater laboratories, harbor vessels and sludge dewatering facilities.

In order to fill one of the most important positions necessary to the maintenance and operation of our WWTPs, the Sewage Treatment Worker exam is now open to help the City reviews and hire candidates in this title.

DEP Sewage Treatment Workers have many interesting duties. They operate, maintain, and repair machinery, equipment and structures in wastewater treatment plants, pumping stations, intercepting sewers, sludge treatment and disposal facilities and associated equipment facilities; take samples and carry out testing of sewage; and perform related work.

Positions are available at DEP locations throughout the five boroughs.

Requirements include:

- A four-year high school diploma or its educational equivalent;
- Three years of full-time satisfactory experience in relevant field;
- Class A or B Commercial Driver's License ("CDL") or a valid CDL Learner's Permit;
- Certificate Requirement - Within first three months of appointment, employees must obtain all of the following Certificates of Fitness: C92, F60, G22, G44, G46, G60, G98, S94;
- NYC residency required within 90 days of appointment;

The Sewage Treatment Worker job is also a great entry-level position for those interested in working in the environmental field, with a starting salary of \$334.08 per day

Department of Health Reported: Daily PrEP to Prevent HIV

PrEP—Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis—is a daily pill that greatly reduces your risk of HIV infection. PrEP is much more effective at stopping HIV if it is taken every day.

PrEP contains the same medicines that people with HIV use to stay healthy. Truvada, the only medication approved as PrEP, is a combination of emtricitabine (Emtriva) and tenofovir (Viread). If you are exposed to HIV, these medicines can stop the virus from multiplying and spreading throughout your body. PrEP only works if you have enough medicine in your body, so you need to take it as prescribed.

In order to get started on PrEP, you need to first get tested for HIV. If you are HIV-negative, talk to your doctor or nurse about whether PrEP may be right for you. You can also visit a Health Department [Sexual Health Clinic](#) or use the [NYC Health Map](#) to find a PrEP provider.

PrEP is usually available regardless of your ability to pay or immigration status.

PrEP, should be taken once a day, even on the days you don't have sex or inject drugs. PrEP is prescribed by a doctor or nurse.

- Before PrEP is started, you must be tested to make sure you do not have HIV and that your kidneys and liver are healthy.
- While on PrEP, you will be tested regularly for HIV and other sexually transmitted infections and asked whether you are taking PrEP every day.

Department of Education (DOE) Reported:

Appointment of New Schools Chancellor

Mayor Bill de Blasio appointed Richard A. Carranza as New York City's next Schools Chancellor. As Superintendent of the Houston Independent School District, Carranza led the effort to re-open schools after Hurricane Harvey. Carranza also previously served as the Superintendent of the San Francisco Unified School District, where he raised graduation rates to historic highs. With a strong commitment to equity and excellence, Carranza has a proven record of narrowing the achievement gap and turning around struggling schools in these diverse districts.

In Houston, Carranza was widely praised for leading the successful effort to re-open schools two-weeks after Hurricane Harvey. This included coordinating transportation for students living in shelter and providing counseling for all students and staff. During his eight years as Deputy Superintendent and then Superintendent in San Francisco, Carranza drove remarkable progress in academic outcomes, outpacing gains in the state and narrowing the achievement gap. He raised graduation rates for African-American students by 13.9 percentage points, and for Hispanic students by 15.4 percentage points, significantly faster than the overall growth rates in California as a whole.

About Richard A. Carranza

Richard A. Carranza has served as Superintendent of the Houston Independent School District since August 2016. HISD is the largest school district in Texas and the seventh largest district in the United States, with a predominately Hispanic and Black student population.

Prior to Houston, Carranza worked for the San Francisco Unified School District, first as Deputy Superintendent for Instruction, Innovation and Social Justice then Superintendent. Before moving to San Francisco, he served as Northwest Region superintendent for the Clark County

School District in Las Vegas, where he oversaw 66 schools with more than 66,000 students. He began his career as a high school, bilingual social studies and music teacher, then a principal in Tucson.

Carranza is the past chairman of the Board of Directors for the Council of the Great City Schools, where he served as a national spokesperson on significant issues facing urban school districts. He also served on the Board of Directors of the Association of Latino Administrators and Superintendents, the National Commission on Teaching and America's Future, the American Association of School Administrators Executive Committee, and the K to College Advisory Board.

Education Week profiled Carranza as a national 2015 Leader to Learn From. He earned a bachelor of arts in secondary education from the University of Arizona and a master of education with distinction in educational leadership from Northern Arizona University. He has completed his doctoral coursework through Northern Arizona University and is currently pursuing a doctorate of education through Nova Southeastern University in Educational leadership.

Carranza is a fluent Spanish-speaker and accomplished mariachi musician. He is married to Monique and has two daughters.

Pre-Kindergarten Program Overview:

In free, full-day, high-quality pre-K, children are in a safe learning environment with opportunities to participate in engaging activities and interact with other children and teaching staff. Studies show that early childhood education improves performance throughout a child's school experience. [Learn more](#) about how your child benefits from Pre-K for All.

Who can apply to pre-K?

- Families with children born in 2014
- New York City residents
- Students who move to NYC during the admissions process [Get More Information >](#)
- Students with disabilities [Get More Information >](#)
- Students whose home language is a language other than English. No program may deny admission, registration, or enrollment to a student based on the student's fluency or perceived fluency in English.
- Students in Temporary Housing can apply to pre-K even if their housing situation is uncertain. They do not need paperwork to apply to schools, accept an offer, or enroll in a school.

MTA Reported: 110th Street Station Enhancement is scheduled to begin April 9th, 2018 to improve Safety; and other repairs to upgrade station. During Enhancement phase station will be closed trains will make skipped stops.

Parks Reported: The New York Road Runners is working with community leaders and volunteers to bring free weekly runs to local neighborhood parks all over NYC. All runs are directed by volunteers and are FREE to all participants. Help is needed to get an New York Road Runners (NYRR) Open Run going in Morningside Park; learn about this community program and how you can get involved as a run director, volunteer, and participant. Join NYRR on April 7th at Silvana, 300 W. 116th Street, at 9a.m. for a short gathering about the initiative, followed by a walk-through. (Flyer attached)

City Council Member Mark Levine's Office Reported: Free Pre-K for All Outreach Program to encourage parents to enroll in Department of Education's Pre-K for All's free, full-day, high-quality Pre-K program. Interested Parents are encouraged to attend the event on: Tuesday, March 20th, 2018; at 10a.m. – 2p.m.; at the office of Council Member Mark Levine, 500 West 141st Street. (Flyer attached)

New York State Senator Marisol Alcantara Office Reported: Women's History Month Celebration will take place on Friday, March 23rd, at 6p.m., at the Milstein Hospital 1st fl., Riverview Terrace – 173 Fort Washington Ave. Keynote Speaker: Dr. Rosa Gil, Executive Director of Comunlife, and author of "The Maria Parados". Refreshments will be served. (Flyer attached)

DID YOU KNOW?

In 2018, NYC DOT is embarking on the 11th season of Weekend Walks. If you are interested in hosting a Weekend Walks event, go to:

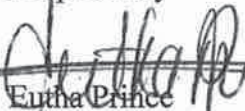
<http://www.nyc.gov/html/dot/weekendwalks/html/host/host.shtml>.

Check washing is a process in which thieves use common household products to alter checks stolen out of mailboxes. They then make the checks payable to themselves or other parties.

What can you do to prevent your checks from being altered?

- Use a pen with pigmented (permanent) ink to write checks (*this ink is not easy to alter*);
- Shred any voided or incorrectly written checks;
- Check your account balance frequently to ensure checks were cleared by the establishment they were written to.

Respectfully Submitted,



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District Manager

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NEW YORK ROAD RUNNERS



HELP GET AN NYRR OPEN RUN GOING IN MORNINGSIDE PARK!

**Learn about this community program and how you can
get involved as a run director, volunteer, and participant.**

Join us on April 7 at Silvana, 300 W. 116th Street, at 9:00 a.m. for a short gathering about the initiative, followed by a walk-through of the course. Coffee will be served.

Together with your help, we will launch weekly runs and walks at 9:00 a.m. in Morningside Park on April 14. Just meet us at the park entrance at W. 110th St. and Manhattan Avenue.

For more info, visit openrun.nyrr.org. You can also join our Facebook group, NYRR Open Run Morningside Park.





PRE-K FOR ALL

Come meet with a member of the Pre-K for All Outreach Team to complete the application for children born in 2014. Pre-K for all is free, full-day, high-quality pre-K.

Pre-K Application Session

On Tuesday, March 20th, 2018

Time: 10:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.

Location: Office of Council Member

Mark Levine



500 West 141st Street

New York, NY 10031

Admission is Free!

For more information call: **Ola Aiyedun** at
(212) 637-8044 or email

Faiyedun@schools.nyc.gov

▶ Call 311 ▶ Text "prek" to 877-877 ▶   /nycschools

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PREKÍNDER PARA TODOS


Aprenda lo que toda familia con niños nacidos en el 2014 debe saber sobre la inscripción a programas gratuitos de pre-kínder de día completo y de alta calidad.

Complete una solicitud al Pre-Kínder
La oficina del Consejal Mark Levine
Martes, 20 de Marzo de 2018.

Hora: 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM.

Ubicación: 500 West 141 Street
New York, NY 10031
¡Admisión gratis!

Para mas información llame a: **Ola Aiyedun**
al (212) 637-8044 o correo-e:
Faiyedun@schools.nyc.gov.

► Llame al 311 ► Envíe por texto "prek" al 877-877 ►   /nycschools

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**PRE-K
FOR ALL**

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH



PROTECT YOUR MAIL

- **Deposit outgoing mail into blue collection boxes before the final pick up of the same day of deposit. Check the pick-up schedule posted on the box to ensure your mail will not sit in the box overnight or over the weekend.**
- **Concerned for mailbox security in your neighborhood? Four tips: 1) Place mail in a collection box in another area. 2) Use a secure receptacle at your place of business. 3) Deposit your mail at a Post Office. 4) Hand your mail to a uniformed letter carrier.**
- **See it? Tell us. Report glue, tapes or other sticky substances on the mailbox to your local Post Office and to Postal Inspectors, right away. Call the New York Division of the U.S. Postal Inspection Service at 212-330-2400.**
- **Immediately report any suspicious activity at any mail receptacle to your local police.**
- **Are you a victim of mail theft? Contact your local police and Postal Inspectors immediately. Put our resources to work, for you, without delay.**
- **You can report mail theft, identity theft, fraud or other crimes involving the U.S. Mail by calling our national hotline at 877-876-2455.**