AMENDMENT OF THE REGULATIONS OF THE COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION

Pursuant to Education Law sections 101, 207, 210, 215, 305, 309 and 3713

1. Paragraph (2) of subdivision (i) of section 100.18 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education is amended, effective July 30, 2014, as follows:

(2) Removal of focus district and focus school designation.

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  (iii) . . .

(iv) If the school district does not meet the criteria for removal but one or more of its focus schools meet the criteria for removal, the school district must, for each focus school it petitions for removal of focus designation, identify school(s) not currently identified as priority or focus to replace the school(s) meeting the criteria for removal, except that a school district is not required to:

(a) designate additional new focus schools to replace focus schools meeting the criteria for removal if by so doing the number of focus schools in the district would exceed the number of focus schools that the Commissioner requires a school district to identify pursuant to paragraph (5) of subdivision (g) of this section; or

(b) designate a school as a focus school that meets the criteria for focus school removal pursuant to subdivision (i) of this section in order to replace a focus school meeting the criteria for removal.

 (v) Notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraph (iv) of this paragraph, a school district must identify at least one school as focus school if the school district does not meet the criteria for removal but all of its priority and focus schools meet the criteria for removal.

 [(iv)] (vi) Removal of focus charter school designation.

 (a) . . .

 (b) . . .

2. Subdivision (j) of section 100.18 of the Regulations of the Commissioner is amended, effective July 30, 2014, as follows:

(j) Public school, school district and charter school performance criteria.Each school district and school accountability group shall be subject to the performance criteria specified below:

  (1) Elementary/middle-level English language arts and mathematics, and high school English language arts and mathematics requirements. An annual measurable objective is a performance index set by the commissioner for 2010-11 school year results for each accountability group and that increases annually in equal increments so as to reduce by half the gap between the performance index for each accountability group in the 2010-11 school year and reach a goal of a performance index of 200 by the 2016-17 school year; except that, beginning with the 2012-13 school year and thereafter, for each accountability group in elementary/middle-level English language arts and mathematics, an annual measurable objective is a performance index set by the commissioner for the 2012-13 school year that increases annually in equal increments so as to reduce by half the gap by the 2016-2017 school year between the performance index of each accountability group in the 2012-13 school year and a performance index of 147.

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