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### **NYS Council of School Superintendents Statement on Resignation of MaryEllen Elia as Commissioner of Education**

**ALBANY** – We are saddened by the news that Commissioner Elia is stepping down and grateful for her leadership of our education system during a period of transition.

She took over at a time when our schools were engulfed by controversies over testing, standards, and teacher evaluations. Her willingness to engage with the field in charting course adjustments was what we needed at the time. Commissioner Elia has always been attentive to concerns raised by our organization and by superintendents across our state.

We are sorry to see her leave and extend best wishes to her and her family.

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