

April 23, 2020

To Bayside High School Community,

It is with profound sadness that I write to share my condolences on the passing of your beloved School Safety Agent Linosee Mosley, who served the New York City Department of Education for sixteen years.

Your Principal Michael Athy describes Mr. Mosley as “a patient and welcoming presence who brought cheerfulness and vigilance to our school every day he worked here.” Known affectionately as “Dr. Mosley” for his knowledge and opinions about a broad range of topics, he had a natural ability to quickly restore calm when tempers flared around him. Students and parents alike gravitated to him.

Such a loss would be heartbreaking during the best of times, but it is unbearable during this period of extraordinary uncertainty and anxiety. Please know that I am here for you and that my first priority is to make every effort to keep all of our students and school communities safe and healthy. We are ensuring counseling and other critical supports are available for every student, staff member, and family member in your school community.

Again, we are profoundly saddened by this loss and extend our deepest condolences to Mr. Mosley’s family. We are all struggling with this disorienting experience, with our shared sense of confusion and grief, and it’s more important than ever to provide support to one another. We’ll be there for you through whatever means necessary during this difficult time.

Yours sincerely,



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