



## **Millennium High School Parents' Association**

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Dear Mayor Bloomberg:

We are Co-Presidents of the PA and parents of children attending Millennium High School in lower Manhattan and are frustrated. For years, the school has been working on finding a permanent gym space for their students. We heard about the hopes for a completed gym in the near future when we attended our first Parents' Association meeting at the school years ago – and we are still hearing about it today at an Executive Board Meeting that we attended this morning. Why?

We are hoping that you can answer this question and would very much like to hear from you. In fact, you have heard about this issue before from approximately 300 Millennium parents who sent you a petition last year on just this subject. But you never responded, which I must say is unusual. I believe you pride yourself in responding to all and any complaints from your constituents. But this has not been the case in respect to this longstanding issue.

Just to make sure that you understand the situation: Millennium High School has managed to obtain funding for a gym. Two and a quarter million dollars has been allocated to this project. In order for the project to move forward, an appropriate space must be selected. The School Construction Authority is responsible for finding this space. To date, despite the fact that the Principal has been shown as many as ten prospective spaces for the gym by realtors donating their time to the project, the SCA has done nothing to move the project forward.

All of the 1200 parents at Millennium HS request a response from you regarding our well-deserved gym. In fact, on Monday, the PA will be sending out a letter informing our parents where the project stands. If we do not hear from you, we will have to explain to everyone that we never received a response from your office on the petition, and ask that they call 311 to file a complaint.

We have the funding. We have several possible locations. Our 600 students deserve a gym. The SCA has chosen to make our situation a political issue by sitting on progress – that's why we are asking for your help.

Sincerely,

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Co-Presidents  
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cc: State Senator Daniel Squadron, Assemblyman Sheldon Silver, and City Council Member Alan Gerson