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Dear Friends,

Often when I sit down to write these monthly notes, I look back on updates I've previously sent for inspiration. In doing so this month, I realize that many of my letters focus on successes related to new funding and partnerships that are driving CSS's significant growth.

Today, I'm moved to focus on our existing partnerships. I'm thrilled to share that 100% of the 11 New York City community school contracts that CSS holds with the New York City Department of Education (NYCDOE) and that were set to expire in June 2018 have been renewed by the NYCDOE.

Michael Loughren, Principal of I.S. 349 in Brooklyn shared, "Too often in education, when a new initiative or program is implemented, it does not lead to meaningful change. I am happy to say that CSS's community school work at I.S. 349 is an exception to the rule."

At this time of year when gifts are frequently exchanged, it is a gift to know that the school partners who know our people and work best have chosen to renew their commitments to their partnership with CSS. And we joyfully renew our partnership with each of them.

In addition, we hope to renew in the new year our partnership with you. As our donors, partners, stakeholders, and critical friends, you have helped us build meaningful, enduring relationships with schools and enabled us to sustain our high-quality work.

It has been an honor and a pleasure to work with you this year and we look forward to many years of partnership to come. On behalf of the staff and board of CSS, I wish you the best of holidays and a healthy, happy, peaceful 2018.

Warm holiday wishes,

Daniel F. Oscar
CEO

P.S. Please check out [open positions](#). And, as always, if you'd like additional information about anything you've read, simply hit reply and let me know. I look forward to hearing from you.

