

# Media Advisory

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## **Community School District Ten “Celebrating Collaborations around Early Literacy”**

**When:** Wednesday, May 22, 2002 – From 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

**Where:** College of Mount St. Vincent

**What:** An event hosted by **Community School District Ten and Literacy, Inc. (LINC)** – “**Celebrate Family Literacy Connections**”

**Who:** **Mimi Levin Lieber**, founder of Literacy, Inc. (LINC) and **Cynthia List**, Director of Parent Leadership and Development, NYC Board of Education, will be the event’s keynote speakers. LINC is a unique organization that organizes parents and local community groups around elementary schools, in New York City neighborhoods, to help all children read well by grade three. In district 10 these community groups come together under **L.I.O.N.S.** (Literacy In Our Neighborhood) **Irma Zardoya**, Superintendent, Community School District Ten, says that “Literacy, Inc. (LINC) is one of the most important organizations in New York City working with schools, parents and community organizations.” Invitations to attend the event have been sent to parents, teachers, principals, community groups and local politicians. Students from **TAPCO**, a performing arts middle school, and **PS/MS 396** will be presenting.

**Why:** Community School District Ten has been working with Literacy, Inc. (LINC) for over five years in supporting early literacy efforts in Community School District Ten. Over 80 neighborhood partners coordinated by LINC participate actively in supporting early reading in the district. These partners include community based organizations, merchants, research groups and universities.

\*Event’s agenda and directions are available upon request