

## **10.14.20 Notes from the Governor's Briefing:**

### COVID-19 General:

- Day 228
- 7 fatalities
- 111,744 tests yesterday
- 938 hospitalizations
- 6.2% infection rate in hotspots
- Statewide rate with hotspots: 1.1%
- Statewide rate without hotspots: .95%
- Gov estimates that hotspots will continue to exist for at least one year
- Gov reiterates that data on school infection rates are available on the dashboard

### Infection Rate by Region:

Orange: 7.4%  
Rockland: 7.2%  
Brooklyn: 6.4%

NYC: 1.2%  
Capital: 1.2%  
Central NY: 1.2%  
Long Island: 1%  
Western NY: 1%  
Finger Lakes .7  
Mid Hudson 1.6  
North Country: .1%  
Mohawk: .1%  
Southern Tier: 1%

### Enforcement:

- The promoters of a Chainsmokers concert in the Hamptons will be fined \$20,000 for violating safety protocols
- Gov will send out a notice to local governments on closing schools and religious gatherings
- Gov will send a letter to schools in red zones reminding them to close
- Local governments and schools that violate closure orders will not receive state funding

### Q&A:

- What else can the Gov do to increase enforcement?
- Gov: local governments do not have the authority to make their own public health plans
- The state can impound all funding to localities
  
- On reimagining the NYPD: it has taken four months for the NYPD to hold forums
- Gov: the good news is they're doing something, the bad news is that an agency can't reinvent itself
- There are officers that have had it with the pandemic, rising crime rates, and reform
- Gov: officers are not the bad guy, we have to address public distrust
  
- On Orthodox Jewish communities, is there still unrest?
- Gov: some groups have been helpful and some yeshivas have been opened
- Why is the governor worried about a sweet sixteen party?
- Gov says even a single party can become a super spreader event

- Do we have enough capacity to handle a potential second wave?
- Gov: we have always had more capacity than we have used