



**The New York City Department of Education
Emerald Society**

January 2022

Dear Fellow Emeralds,

On behalf of the Officers and Executive Board of the New York City Department of Education Emerald Society, we want to welcome you to 2022!

Although we began the school year in perhaps an untraditional way, we are all committed to education and the passion we have for our students. Now, more than ever, it is important that we stay connected, even if it is in a virtual way for now. The Emerald Society is committed to celebrating Irish culture and to promoting collegiality, community and unity among all of our colleagues in the New York City Department of Education. To this end, we are inclusive of our Irish and honorary Irish brothers and sisters of the UFT, CSA, Local 94 and Local 891! In fact, our organization has been in existence for over fifty years, because we celebrate our culture, recognize and honor the contributions of all its members of the educational community within the NYC public schools.

At each event, we want to extend one hundred thousand welcomes to you, or ***Céad mile fáilte!*** We have many new initiatives and activities planned and hope that you will consider joining us, to celebrate and preserve the Irish culture, develop a sense of fellowship and benevolence and to honor our accomplishments.

What's New? We are pleased to announce that it is now easier than ever to continue your membership with the NYCDOE Emerald Society! There are a few options to renew your dues.

- You can use this two-click landing page to pay online. <https://www.eventbrite.com/o/nycdoe-emerald-society-9461359130>
- Once you click on the Eventbrite page, you can purchase a "ticket" via Eventbrite, which serves as a record for paying your dues. Please kindly consider making a donation towards our scholarship fund as well.
- If you prefer, you can still make a check out for \$30.00 to NYCDOE Emerald Society. Simply print out and complete the membership form attached or visit our website, www.emeraldsocietynycdoe.com
- Mail your dues and the completed membership form to: NYCDOE Emerald Society, PO Box 604195, Bayside, NY 11360.

In an abundance of caution, we look forward to continuing our enjoyable virtual tasting experiences and trivia nights with you.

February 10, 2022 - Trivia Night at 5 pm. This popular event allows us to be social, have fun, and do it in the comfort of our own home. Please join us for a fun night!

Join Zoom Trivia Night

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84412890062?pwd=OCs3bEt0WW13eVpOOHJybm5tTHBIZz09>

Meeting ID: 844 1289 0062

Passcode: 020810

March 11– Annual Scholarship Gala. Although we had to postpone our 50th Annual Scholarship Gala due to COVID-19, we are still very excited to safely celebrate with you. If you have already purchased tickets, they will be honored at the upcoming gala at Terrace on the Park. First, we will recognize the efforts of our scholarship winners! In addition, we will honor the efforts of those going beyond on a daily basis in our city schools, and of course, enjoy the sights and sounds of Irish tradition.

April 7 - Virtual Tasting...details will be forthcoming 😊

Please, share this information with your colleagues, encourage them to join and support the Emerald Society, and meet our Irish brothers and sisters who work to educate our City's future! Apply for membership and reserve tickets to our scholarship dance by mailing a check through the mail.

Information will also be on the website, <https://www.emeraldsocietynycdoe.com/>

I look forward to seeing and welcoming all of you at this year's events!

Sincerely yours,

Donna M. McGuire,
President