

Sept. 30, 2011 email message from UFT Secretary Michael Mendel to the DOE:

Ok. Everyone no more emails either way. WE WILL NOT send you the schools where there are computer problems and WE WILL NOT send any more emails with complaints. There is no need. We all know that SESIS is a systemic problem that is affecting almost everyone who uses it in almost every school. We all know it affects all of the titles that have to use it. You know it, the rest of the DOE knows it, the UFT leadership knows it, and all of our members who have to use it unfortunately know it. We expect the DOE to do the right thing for their employees. That includes a letter outlining the SESIS problems, reassuring employees that they will not get in trouble if they are unable to complete the SESIS tasks that are being required by the DOE, that nobody is required to do SESIS outside of his or her work day, that nobody has to purchase his or her own equipment to complete their SESIS task, and that the DOE is sorry for all of the problems the SESIS system has caused. We need to see this letter no later than Monday at noon so we can review a draft of the letter that has to go out on Tuesday to your employees. Of course the letter must also be placed in the Principal's Weekly so the principals can be informed. Please do not respond to this email because I won't be reading it. The next correspondence we hope to get from the DOE is the abovementioned letter on Monday. Thanks and enjoy the rest of the weekend.

Michael Mendel

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