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**MEMO TO:** Dr. Kriner Cash, Superintendent, BPS

**FROM:** Philip Rumore, President, BTF

**RE:** Superintendent Memo & MOU

While many teachers were disturbed by the (in my opinion, uncharacteristic) tone of your letter e.g., "shall" and have concerns, we remain committed to work with you to provide for our students.

Thus far, these are the concerns we have received. While the BTF is closed, we will continue to work with you on this and other important issues. Documents should be sent to Sierra ([sumhauer@btfny.org](mailto:sumhauer@btfny.org)). She will forward them to me at the office. You also have my cell phone #

- #1 - Most want to know if teachers in each area are being contacted for suggestions/concerns.
- #2 - What is meant by "or in any related services on an as needed basis" and "provide support to track contacts with students should we be required to do so by the State"?
- #3 - What is meant by "shall check Schoology accounts and respond to emails during the school day"?
- #4 - What is meant by "or other students in need of intense mental health service"? How are teachers to "coordinate with supervisors and team members and contact students and families to provide alternative instruction options" and what are the "alternative instructional options"?

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