

## **Korean Visiting Teachers Complete Five Months of NYC Public Schools Journey**

After five months in New York City, 30 teachers from Pusan, Korea, concluded their teaching and learning experience in 18 public elementary and middle schools. At a closing ceremony on May 28, 2009 at Korean Village, Flushing, Pat Lo, Director of the Asian Languages Bilingual/ESL Technical Assistance Center (ALBETAC) congratulated them for their hard work and thanked them for offering a glimpse of other languages and cultures for the students in their host schools. Holding program certificates from the New York City Deputy Chancellor of Teaching and Learning Dr. Marcia V. Lyles, visiting teachers expressed their gratitude for the opportunity to immerse themselves in American school settings. Some were particularly impressed with the literacy instruction they had observed and practiced in the classroom. Visiting teachers noted how excited students were to learn about the Korean language and culture, and will hold fond memories of their time in our schools.

Based on a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the City of New York and Busan, teachers were assigned to 18 schools where they observed and practiced teaching and offered language and cultural instruction to the students. Many principals from these schools also expressed great enthusiasm for the collaboration, complimenting visiting teachers for their unique contributions to their classrooms. Upon returning to Korea, these teachers will begin a three-year commitment to teach English in Busan City public schools.

Also during their time in New York City, Korean visiting teachers mingled with their American counterparts at professional development events offered by the New York City Department of Education and the New York State Bilingual/ESL Technical Assistance Centers (BETAC). They also performed a traditional [Korean fan dance](#) at a citywide teacher conference for hundreds of New York City teachers.

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