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Now that the search for a new chancellor for the New York City school system is finally over, State Senator Joseph P. Addabbo, Jr. is looking forward to working with the new appointee.

As the ranking member of the Senate Education Committee, Addabbo is optimistic that the new chancellor, Richard Carranza, will continue the work of current schools chancellor Carmen Fariña after she retires at the end of March.

“Carmen Fariña has done many wonderful things for New York City school children during her tenure as schools chancellor,” Addabbo said. “I am very hopeful that Richard Carranza will continue in her footsteps and be the guiding hand that all of our school children need.”

Carranza has spent time as a superintendent in Las Vegas and served four years as the superintendent of the San Francisco Unified School District before taking the position of Houston Superintendent in 2016.

Although he has experience managing schools and districts across the country, Addabbo believes Carranza will face many new challenges in helping New York City's 1.1 million students.

“I respect Richard’s work as Superintendent of the Houston school district, especially the efforts he made in opening schools after his city was pummeled by Hurricane Harvey,” Addabbo said. “However, the New York City school system is much larger than Houston’s and can be overwhelming with the different problems facing each school. I am disappointed that Mayor de Blasio did not go with a candidate from New York City or New York State to lead our school children into the future.”