

## Quarterly Report: July –September 2012

### WCBS-TV Quarterly Issues/Program Report –October 10, 2012

Attached are the listings of broadcast segments and stories that reflect Channel 2's significant programming treatment of ascertained community issues during the preceding three-month period.

Time period of day, day of week, source and format descriptions follow the first appearance of the broadcast name. Date references refer to broadcast days. All times given are approximate.

#### Programs

CBS 2 News This Morning, CBS 2 News at Noon, CBS 2 News at 5:00, CBS 2 News at 6:00, CBS 2 News at 11:00, CBS 2 News Saturday, CBS 2 News Sunday - Regularly scheduled news broadcasts focusing on current issues and events.

**60 Minutes** - Regularly scheduled one-hour weekly broadcast featuring in-depth interviews and reports of various lengths and topics. Sunday, 7-8 p.m.

**Face the Nation** - Regularly scheduled half hour news broadcast featuring reports and interviews with government leaders, politicians, and international figures in the news. Sunday, 10:30 – 11 a.m.

**McLaughlin Group**- Regularly scheduled half hour show featuring reports and interviews with government leaders, politicians, and international figures in the news. Sunday, 11 – 11:30 a.m.

**48 Hours Mystery** – Regularly scheduled news broadcast. Saturday, 10 - 11 p.m.

**CBS 2 News at 6 PM & 11 PM** – Regularly scheduled news broadcasts. Monday - Sunday.

**Eye on New York** – half hour weekly broadcast featuring community events, health, politics, technology, education, and entertainment, and will also the most talked about news stories of the week. Sunday, 6:30 a.m.

**“Health Watch”** – features of varying lengths focusing on health related issues, the latest in medical research and treatments, and other health related topics.

**“Money Watch”** – features of varying lengths focusing on the latest in the economy along with tips and ways to save money.

**Public Service Announcements-** WCBS-TV continues its tradition of airing and sponsoring PSAs. PSAs in rotation stem from various organizations such as the The Make-A-Wish-Foundation of Metro New York and Western New York's Wine & Wishes, Food Bank NYC, City Harvest, CDC (Influenza vaccinations), Project Roadblock (drunk driving prevention), The Partnership at DrugFree.org, American Heart Association, New York State Broadcasters Association, Emergency Preparedness New York, 9/11 Memorial, Project Roadblock, Big Brothers Big Sisters, and United Way.

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**Health:** Topics in this category include: how yoga helps women heal after surviving breast cancer, how the whooping cough vaccines can wear off and doctors are finding out they do not guarantee immunity, how mammograms performed on women under 30 add radiation and can put them at high risk of getting breast cancer; and how magnetic helmets are helping to treat brain tumors.

**CBS 2 NEWS THIS MORNING:** 7/17 CBS 2 Reporter Dick Brennan reports there's a big difference between eating healthy and eating for weight loss, obviously portion control is important but you also need to know about hidden calories. 9/4 Reporter Katie McGee reports on how children who have Autism can be tested to see whether or not their own stem cells might help with the disease. 9/7 Anchor Rob Morrison reports on how mammograms add, added radiation and it could be harmful to women under 30 with gene mutations that put them at high risk for breast cancer. 9/26 Reporter Katie McGee reports on a new study found the rate of initial knee surgeries doubled, while the rate of 2nd, or re-do procedures have increased by close to 60 percent from 1991 to 2010, as baby boomers get older and more people need follow-up surgery. 8/23 Anchor Mary Calvi reports on a medical breakthrough in understanding autism and schizophrenia that could change how couples plan their families. The single largest risk factor is a father's age. 9/19 Reporter Katie McGee reports a new study says just 20 minutes of exercise a day can cut a child's risk of diabetes. 9/24 Anchor Mary Calvi reports on a peanut butter linked to a possible salmonella outbreak at Trader Joe's. **CBS 2 NEWS AT NOON:** 8/5 Anchor Rob Morrison reports on a new device for stroke patients that is saving lives and also preventing long-term disability. 9/3 Anchor Mary Calvi reports on a new study that found summer colds are typically caused by a different bug than winter colds, the Enterovirus that can be spread through the air. 9/20 Anchor Mary Calvi reports on a new study that obese children have less sensitive taste buds than normal-weight children according to a new study. Simple taste tests of bitter, sweet, salty, sour and savory were given to 99 obese children and 94 of normal weight. Overweight children had a difficult time identifying the different tastes that diminished ability may lead to eating larger amounts of food to get the same taste sensation as normal weight children. **CBS 2 NEWS AT 5:00 PM:** 7/19 CBS 2 Anchor Maurice DuBois reports one in two Americans will develop painful knee arthritis in their lifetime and that number jumps to two out of three if you're overweight or obese and that often leads to a knee replacement. 7/24 Medical reporter Dr. Max Gomez reports Vitamin D has been associated with lowering cancer risks, fighting common colds and even reducing the risk of Multiple Sclerosis. 7/26 Medical reporter Dr. Max Gomez reports a new study has shown that injecting a drug into the eye has restored some vision for those who suffer from Degeneration and Retinitis Pigmentosa, diseases that are incurable. 7/31 Anchor Kristine Johnson reports a new study that finds eye surgery can actually prevent a broken hip. 8/15 Anchor Kristine Johnson reports how doctors using a magnetic helmet to treat brain tumors without side effects. 8/30 Medical reporter Dr. Max Gomez reports on New York Governor Cuomo announced a major initiative to build more residential facilities specifically for autistic and developmental disabled adults. 9/13 Medical reporter Dr. Max Gomez reports whooping cough, or pertussis, is one of several serious childhood diseases that have made a comeback in recent years and no vaccine is perfect, the most modern vaccines are highly effective but the immunity that results from some vaccines can wear off. 9/14 Anchor Kristine Johnson reports how back to school can literally be quite a

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headache for children. Doctors say more than 25 percent of teenagers suffer from debilitating migraines. **9/18** Anchor Kristine Johnson reports on a common chemical BPA, for Bisphenola a common chemical to obese and overweight kids. **9/19** Medical reporter Dr. Max Gomez reports on a new study the FDA and a consumer reports investigation found concerning levels of arsenic in many common rice products. **9/21** Anchor Maurice DuBois reports on a study that proves yoga is great for women who are trying to heal after surviving breast cancer. **9/27** Anchor Maurice DuBois reports on an injection that may be able to help those overweight by melting fat. **CBS 2 NEWS AT 6:00 PM: 9/14** Anchor Chris Wragge reports men with divorced parents have a much higher chance of suffering a stroke later in life. Researchers found they are three times more likely if their parents were divorced before they reached age 18. **CBS 2 NEWS AT 11:00 PM: 9/17** Medical Reporter Dr. Max Gomez reports on a new study by the federal task force says that screening for ovarian cancer not only doesn't work it may actually be harmful. **CBS NEWS SATURDAY: 9/29** Anchor Don Dahler reports spray bottles are a leading cause of injuries and poisonings in kids.

**Government and Politics:** Topics in this category include Mayor Bloomberg's ban of supersized sugary drinks in New York; a court rejection of the ruling of the 2009 board of health resolution requiring tobacco retailers to display grotesque images of the effects of smoking in city stores; and Senator Charles Schumer's call for the Federal Government to restrict the sale of powerful lasers because of interference with aircraft landings.

**CBS 2 NEWS THIS MORNING: 7/11** Anchor Mary Calvi reports on a setback for the Bloomberg administration with the ruling that rejected a 2009 board of health resolution requiring tobacco retailers to display grotesque images of diseased lungs and decaying gums. **7/18** Anchor Rob Morrison reports on a government report that said the nationwide drought is the worst since 1956. **CBS 2 NEWS AT NOON: 8/23** Sports Reporter Otis Livingston reports on nationwide cases of West Nile virus are on the rise, and the government says this could be the worst year on record. Federal health officials say the number of cases jumped 60 percent last week and the peak time for the disease lasts through September. **CBS 2 NEWS AT 5:00 PM: 7/17** Anchor Kristine Johnson reports on a new partnership for the parks in New York City and the Federal department of the interior will join together to manage gateway national park, which belongs to the feds, and the surrounding parks along Jamaica Bay that belong to the city. **7/19** Anchor Kristine Johnson reports on the recent toll hikes on bridges in New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania that are under a microscope. The Federal Government accountability office is taking a closer look at toll increases, New Jersey Senator Frank Lautenberg called for the investigation. Out of almost nine thousand guns recovered at crime scenes in the state last year, nearly 16-hundred originated in New York. **8/15** Anchor Kristine Johnson reports that young illegal immigrants who were brought to this country as children, presented applications to avoid deportation and get work permits. **8/28** Anchor Dana Tyler reports Long Island Congressman Steven Israel says not enough is known about potential long term health effects from the full body x-ray machines call backscatters. Congressman Israel wants a long term independent study of the scanners to be conducted over time. **CBS 2 NEWS AT 6:00 PM: 9/13** Anchor Chris Wragge reports on the banning of supersize soft drinks in New York because of New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg. The health department approved a 16-ounce limit on sodas and

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other sugary drinks. **7/30** Anchor Chris Wragge report the Federal Government issued a report that says most guns are in the state of New York. Out of almost 9 thousand guns recovered at crime scenes in the state last year, nearly 16 hundred originated in New York. **7/30** Anchor Chris Wragge reports on how Mayor Bloomberg wants hospitals to hide baby formula and instead push new moms to give their babies breast milk. The Mayor's plan also asks hospitals to stop handing out formula samples, unless there's a medical reason. **CBS NEWS SATURDAY: 7/21** Anchor Don Dahler reports the Federal government issued a health warning about shellfish taken from Long Island's oyster bay. The Food and Drug Administration says you should throw out oysters or clams harvested from the bay since the start of June. New York's department of environmental conservation closed the bay to shellfish harvesting during the investigation. **7/28** Anchor Don Dahler reports yoga studios around New York State got some rare flexibility out of the government, they've successfully argued that yoga is more about spiritual balance than exercise, and therefore not subject to sales taxes. **8/5** Anchor Don Dahler reports Senator Charles Schumer is calling on the federal government to restrict the sale of the powerful lasers, and require that most lasers be sold at lower strength because Lasers have been aimed at a Suffolk County Police helicopter, and a JetBlue pilot landing at Kennedy Airport. **8/18** Reporter Dick Brennan reports on in the wake of nearly two dozen deaths nationwide from kids being left alone in overheated cars, the u-s department of transportation is launching a "look before you lock" campaign. The agency says heatstroke is the leading cause of non-crash vehicle deaths for children under 14.

**Consumerism:** Topics in this category include customers of Southwest Airlines were charged numerous times for plane tickets causing many accounts to overdraft, New Jersey voters may get the chance to raise the state's minimum wage and how New York City Department of Consumer protection busted dozens of illegal contractors.

**CBS 2 NEWS THIS MORNING: 7/26** Anchor Rob Morrison reports on the Consumer Product Safety Commission is banning Bucky balls, a magnetic toy for children. The agency made the move after an increase in injuries to children who swallowed the small magnets. **8/16** Anchor Mary Calvi reports on about 4 million Bumbo baby seats are being recalled after nearly two dozen reports of infant skull fractures. **9/12** Anchor Mary Calvi reports that Lukoil gas stations in New Jersey may be hiking up gas prices to eight or nine dollars a gallon due to the fact that they pay five to 20 cents more a gallon than their competitors. **9/24** Anchor Rob Morrison reports on why New Jersey voters may get the chance to decide whether or not to raise their state's minimum wage because democratic State Senate President Steve Sweeney plans to introduce a resolution today that would put a proposed one dollar increase on the November 20-13 ballot raising it to \$8.25 an hour. The assembly's passed a bill raising the wage to \$8.50, with automatic adjustments based on the consumer price index. Sweeney says Governor Christie won't sign such a bill, which is why he wants to put the issue directly before voters. **CBS 2 NEWS AT 5:00 PM: 7/11** Anchor Kristine Johnson reports New York City Department of Consumer protection busted dozens of illegal contractors in a sting designed to protect homeowners. As part of the sweep, nearly 400 contractors were inspected and as a result, investigators found one in every five were operating without a license. **7/16** Anchor Maurice

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DuBois reports the government will start to keep score of credit scorekeepers. The consumer Protection Bureau will begin overseeing the 30 or so firms that handle most credit reports. The move was in response to complaints about inaccurate reports and how difficult it can be to correct such problems. **7/17** Anchor Maurice DuBois reports on New Jersey based retail discount stores Daffy's, known for selling brand names at discounted prices, is going out of business. **7/18** Anchor Kristine Johnson reports on a new diet drug Qsymia released by the Food and Drug Administration. Consumer advocates say the drug has several side effects including increased heart rate, hyperventilation, and a possibility of birth defects. **CBS 2 NEWS AT 6:00 PM: 8/1** Anchor Chris Wragge reports how old cell phones, dvd players and video games systems are being sold for cold hard cash by consumers to retailers. **8/3** Anchor Kristine Johnson reports on how designer purses bought at TJ Maxx are not the real deal and consumers are discovering their purchases are fake. **9/17** Anchor Chris Wragge reports on a warning from New York's Department of State on scammers calling homes and businesses alleging there's an outstanding case against them and then asking for social security numbers and payment of fines. The Consumer Protection division wants the public to be aware of a recent scam involving department of state staffers. **10/5** Anchor Chris Wragge reports on a New Jersey travel agency has vanished, leaving customers without tickets and out money. Bloomfield based Club ABC has been open since 1963, it closed without warning on October 1st. The better Business bureau has an alert on club ABC's review page stating it has no way of contacting them. **CBS 2 NEWS AT 11:00 PM: 7/11** Anchor Dana Tyler reports on the dangers of keeping baby monitors too close to your children. The Consumer Product Safety Commission says at least seven children have died in the last decade as a result of strangulation from baby monitor cords. **7/27** Anchor Maurice DuBois reports power problems have two union county pharmacies warning customers about their medications at CVS stores in Clark and the other in Scotch Plains, New York. **8/6** Consumer reporter Asa Aarons reports on Pedi cab's in New York City and how drivers are scamming tourist for hundreds of dollars for only a few minute rides. **9/26** Anchor Kristine Johnson report on a new government report says airlines collected more than one - point- seven billion dollars in baggage fees during the first half of the year. Delta once again made more money on baggage fees than any other airline, followed by United, American and U.S. Airways. Consumer watchdog groups say airfares will likely go up even more during the holidays due to increasing oil prices. **CBS 2 NEWS SUNDAY: 8/12** Reporter Dick Brennan reports on some customers of Southwest Airlines found their bank accounts drained when the airlines' computers went crazy and charged customers over and over for the same flight. The airline processed refunds and promises to reimburse all overdraft charges.

**Children:** Topics in this category include new guidelines for parents dealing with children who snore, new concerns with children who eat salt in their diet, how to make sure your child is in the right size seat in the car and tweens today ages 8 to 10 have cell phones.

**CBS 2 NEWS THIS MORNING: 8/27** Reporter Katie McGee reports on the American Academy of pediatrics is putting out new guidelines when it comes to children and sleep disorders. They're recommending all children who snore regularly get tested for uncomplicated

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obstructive sleep apnea. **8/28** Reporter Katie McGee reports how all parents should make an appointment at their pediatrician's office to make sure they have a secure emergency health plan for their child while they are in school. **8/29** Reporter John Slattery reports studies have shown parents should let their children fail, let them **9/2** Reporter Hazel Sanchez reports two artists are volunteering their time and talents to teach patients here at St. Mary's Hospital in Queens, New York. The children in the hospital face a variety of complex medical problems and as part of the healing process, they are getting their hands dirty and their minds invigorated through art. **9/5** Anchor Mary Calvi reports on the dangers of detergent gel packs in New York City alone the city's poison control center says 40 children in the five boroughs have eaten them since April. **9/12** Anchor Rob Morrison reports since the school year started, there've been numerous complaints of problems in the five boroughs of New York, including no buses, late buses, and long routes with children left on buses so long, they wet their pants. Chancellor Dennis Walcott has already re-assigned half the bus contracts for special needs and pre-k students to other companies. Nearly 2,000 kids will get new bus routes. **9/17** Anchor Rob Morrison reports on new concerns about children and their diets. Researchers say kids are eating more salt increasing their risk for high blood pressure. That's according to the United States centers for Disease Control and Prevention. **9/18** Anchor Mary Calvi reports Federal officials say car accidents are the number one killer of children between the ages of one and twelve. The best way to protect a child is to make sure they're in the right seat. In many cases booster seats are too loose or not properly secured, wrong-sized seats are another common mistake. Experts say the right fit, could be the difference between life and death. **CBS 2 NEWS AT 5:00 PM: 8/24** Anchor Chris Wragge reports on tweens kids ages eight to ten having cell phones now-a-days and how this can be a dangerous thing. **9/4** Anchor Maurice DuBois reports kids are getting a pay raise for their baby teeth. A Visa survey shows the tooth fairy is leaving an average of three dollars under the pillow, a fifteen percent increase from last year. **9/13** Anchor Maurice DuBois reports on food fears children have when trying new foods that can turn into a phobia and have serious health consequences. Experts say it's best to address this issue early, to avoid health problems and other eating issues as children grow. **9/26** Anchor Kristine Johnson reports a new study that shows preschool children who pay attention, follow directions and can complete tasks have a 50 percent greater chance of finishing college. **CBS 2 NEWS AT 6:00 PM: 9/3** Anchor Dana Tyler reports on a new study obesity related illness may have an effect on kid's brains as well as their bodies. Researchers at New York University followed children who suffer from metabolic syndrome, which includes obesity, high cholesterol and high blood pressure. They found that they were more likely to have poorer math scores and could not read as well. **9/17** Anchor Chris Wragge reports on a Brooklyn bar's on children is making some parents mad. Parents are blaming a group of teachers from nearby schools who frequent the bar for convincing the owner to impose the new rule. **9/26** Anchor Dana Tyler reports young children don't have to fast, but they're learning what Yom Kippur, the holiest day on the Jewish calendar, means in school. **CBS 2 NEWS AT 11:00 PM: 9/4** Anchor Maurice DuBois reports on how dangerous owning a trampoline with children really is. A study that shows there were 98 thousand trampoline-related injuries in one year in 2009. Children under the age of 5 are at the greatest risk for serious injury like fractures and dislocations. The American Academy of Pediatrics urges parents to get rid of them.

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**CBS NEWS SATURDAY: 9/29** Anchor Cindy Hsu reports on how dangerous spray bottles are to small children. Spray bottles are a leading cause of injuries and poisonings in kids.

**Crime:** Topics in this category includes new high-tech technology the NYPD has in case a suspicious package is left at a location they can tap into video to find out who left the package, how gun crime is up in New York with the state also topping the highest gun sales and a man returned to New York after reporting himself missing in Jones Beach. How Pedi Cabs are scamming tourists into paying hundreds of dollars for trips that are only minutes long.

**CBS 2 NEWS THIS MORNING: 7/26** Anchor Mary Calvi reports on a local home that was targeted by burglars and the nanny found tied up in the basement that took place in the middle of the day. **7/31** Anchor Mary Calvi reports a real-life horror story happened last week at Greenwood Cemetery in Pleasantville, New Jersey. Someone broke into this mausoleum and stole the body of Pauline Spinelli, who died in 1996 at the age of 98. **8/28** Anchor Mary Calvi reports on a shooting in the Bronx that took place a few blocks from Yankee Stadium a 9 year old boy was wounded by a stray bullet. **9/14** Anchor Mary Calvi reports on a new law where boaters will have to take a boating safety course before operating a vessel in Suffolk County. It comes after a deadly Fourth of July boating accident that killed three children in Oyster Bay. Anyone who does not have a safety certificate when they're pulled over on the water will now face a fine. **9/25** Anchor Rob Morrison reports on good Samaritans who come to the rescue of a mom and her two kids after they were carjacked in Hempstead. **CBS 2 NEWS AT NOON: 8/1** Anchor Rob Morrison reports the NYPD is looking for a man who robbed four banks. The crime spree took him from midtown to Chelsea to the Lower East side of Manhattan. Police say the suspect's first three heists he got nothing. He made off with an unknown amount of cash on his last try. **8/1** Anchor Mary Calvi reports two men in their twenties were shot in Brooklyn on Georgia Avenue. One victim was shot in the head and the other was pronounced dead at the scene. **CBS 2 NEWS AT 5:00 PM: 7/18** Anchor Kristine Johnson reports on a former Madison High School teacher in Brooklyn accused of having an ongoing sexual relationship with a 16-year-old student. Authorities say the alleged affair was uncovered by the young boy's girlfriend, who noticed an exchange between the two on Facebook after the teacher began tutoring sessions with the student. **7/26** Anchor Maurice DuBois reports on a crime of the centuries, a surprise Manhattan raid nets millions of dollars in stolen artifacts. **8/11** Reporter Marcia Kramer reports if a suspicious package is left at a location by a terrorist the NYPD will now be able to instantly tap into video feeds to look back in time to see who left it there and that's just one of the many things the NYPD's new high-tech domain awareness system can do. **9/4** Anchor Maurice DuBois reports a disturbing and random attack in New Jersey, police say a man tried to throw two children in front of a train. **CBS 2 NEWS AT 6:00 PM: 7/13** Reporter Alex Denis reports on how New York City is launching a crackdown on out of control deliverymen who don't follow the rules of the road while riding their bikes.

**8/1** Anchor Chris Wragge reports a Manhasset police precinct commander is demoted for improper reporting of crime statistics. **8/3** Anchor Chris Wragge reports that an ex-con from Brooklyn is charged with torturing an ex-girlfriend. The man kidnapped the woman and held her

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for a month at his apartment in Bedford-Stuyvesant. She was tied up, burned and beaten. **9/6** Anchor Dana Tyler reports on a two-month old boy from the Bronx who was grazed by a bullet that struck his back shoulder. Residents there are concerned about the increase in violence and worry about the safety of their children. **CBS 2 NEWS AT 11:00 PM: 8/2** Anchor Chris Wragge reports two New Jersey police officers face legal trouble after a wild pursuit of two burglary suspects because of reports that the officers tampered with the evidence from the investigation. **8/4** Anchor Kristine Johnson reports on a Massachusetts store owner sick and tired of crime turns the tables on would-be robbers and it's caught on surveillance video. **8/10** Anchor Maurice DuBois reports on an NYPD officer who was shot this week is now out of the hospital. The 15-year veteran was shot in both legs in Jamaica, Queens. **8/30** Anchor Maurice DuBois reports on a Long Island teacher Christopher Teague, who is accused of possessing and sharing child pornography online. The teacher was charged with child pornography. **9/25** Reporter Katie McGee reports on how researchers may have a reason why kids living in urban areas are at a higher risk of developing asthma. Inner city kids are much more likely than suburban children to be exposed to certain respiratory viruses during their childhood which can cause chronic lung infections. **CBS NEWS SATURDAY: 8/25** Anchor Don Dahler reports on a woman in Suffolk County who was charged with a DUI and had two young children in the car with her. **CBS 2 NEWS SUNDAY: 8/5** Anchor Cindy Hsu reports on a man who faked his own death and is back in New York. Raymond Roth's disappearance was reported in July 28<sup>th</sup> in the waters off of Jones Beach in Long Island. His hoax led to a massive and expensive search.

**Education:** Topics in this category includes how it is proven girls get math anxiety, hundreds of students forced out of their New Jersey middle school due to toxic mold and students caught cheating on a test while texting answers during an exam are suspended and being forced to re-take their exams. New York parents with the new texting program in schools are able to keep tabs on their child's progress.

**CBS 2 NEWS THIS MORNING: 7/10** Anchor Rob Morrison reports 66 students at Stuyvesant High School, now face suspension, for cheating on their regents exams by texting answers on their cellphones. **7/11** Reporter Katie McGee reports on a new study that proves girls do have math anxiety. While researchers couldn't put their finger on why there is a gender difference they suggest it may be because math is traditionally considered a male dominated subject, and that girls may be more open to expressing anxiety than boys. **7/12** Anchor Rob Morrison reports on the Bloomberg Administration back-track plan of purging teachers from low-performing schools. **7/17** Anchor Mary Calvi reports college sticker prices are meaningless and many expensive schools offer excellent aid policies. Two-thirds of college students receive one or more scholarships or grants, so very few pay that advertised sticker price. **9/4** Anchor Rob Morrison reports with most schools back in session this week, now is the perfect time to talk about basic money concepts with your kids. **CBS 2 NEWS AT NOON: 9/5** Anchor Mary Calvi reports that while New York City Public School students have one more day of summer break, the catholic schools ended their school year a day before. **CBS 2 NEWS AT 5:00 PM: 7/18** Anchor Kristine Johnson reports United State citizens banned from commercial flights because they could be terrorists are allowed to take lessons at U.S. flight schools. **7/20** Anchor Maurice DuBois reports how playing chess is keeping students in check

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over the summer while out of school. **7/26** Anchor Maurice DuBois reports on a new program called Summer Quest for kids in the Bronx where they are practicing yoga, stomping, and singing about plants along with their basic classwork to keep their brains active during summer. **8/21** Anchor Kristine Johnson reports on how 700 students who are preparing for a new school year are being forced out of their New Jersey Middle School due to mold. **8/22** Medical Reporter Max Gomez reports an estimated 6-million school age kids have food allergies... and as many as one in four had their first reaction, not at home but at school. Most schools now have medicine to treat severe allergic reactions. **8/29** Anchor Maurice DuBois reports students may be catching a break if they misbehave in school. The new suspension policy will students will get a pass if they cut class, curse or smoke. Those violations are no longer grounds for suspension. The new policy was formed based on discussions with parents, students, advocates, and educators. **9/6** Anchor Maurice DuBois reports on school systems in New York now have a new texting program where parents can get up to the minute texts that will provide important information like calendar updates, reminders and tips on how to access school resources. **CBS 2 NEWS SUNDAY: 8/26** Anchor Cindy Hsu reports on an annual survey conducted for the past 17 years found for the first time the majority of kids in private schools said their schools were drug infested.