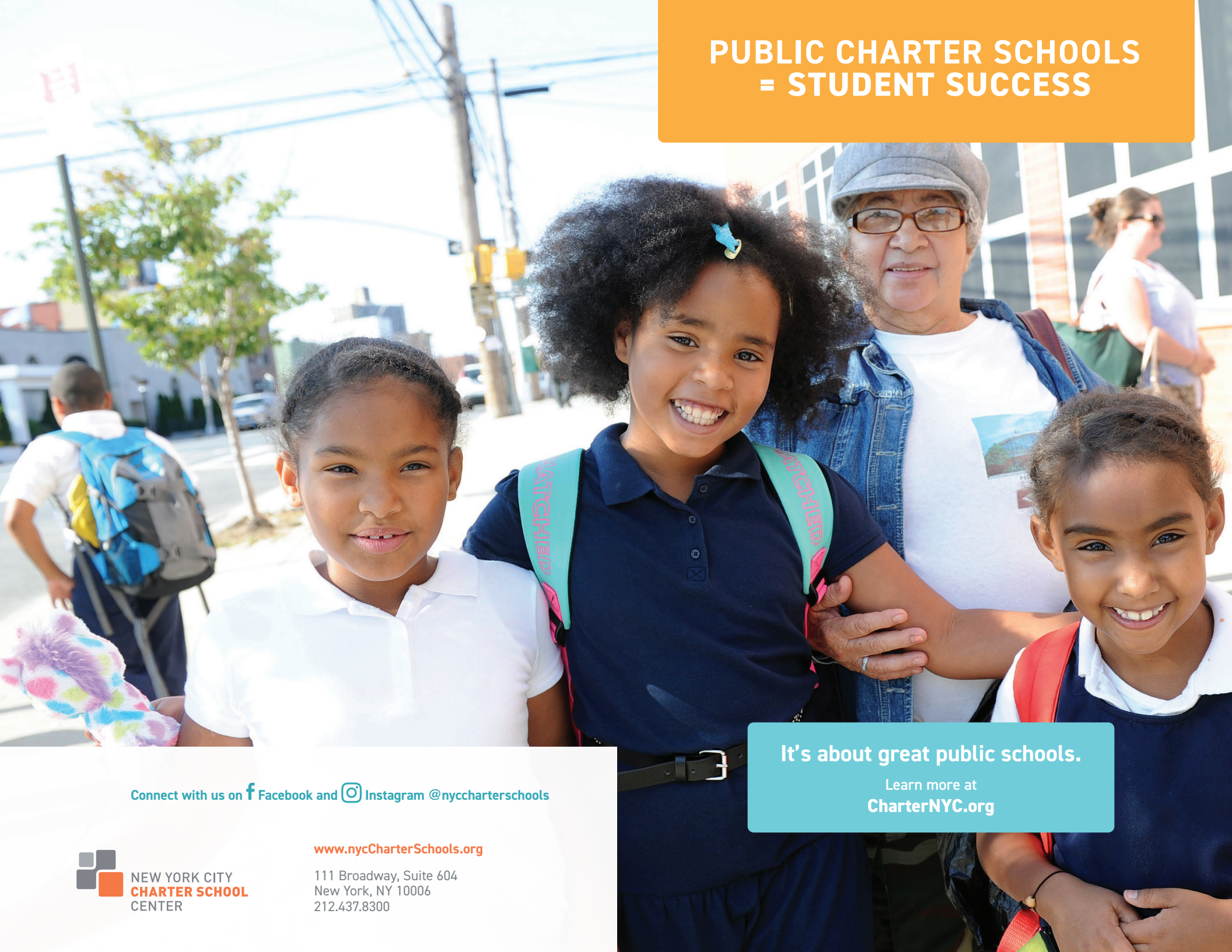


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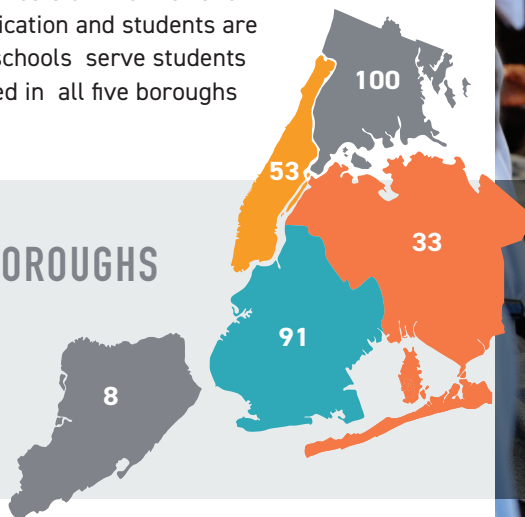
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- Valerie Babb, Harlem Link Charter School parent

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