



Notice
December 2, 2011

The Proposed Re-siting, Grade Expansion, and Co-Location of Academy for Young Writers (14K404) with a New Secondary School (19K422) and a District 75 Program (75KTBD) at Building K422 Beginning in the 2012-2013 School Year

I. Description of the subject and purpose of the proposed item under consideration.

The New York City Department of Education (“DOE”) is proposing to re-site and expand Academy for Young Writers (14K404, “Academy for Young Writers”), an existing DOE high school that serves 405 students in grades nine through twelve, and to open a new secondary school (19K422) serving students in grades six through twelve, at school building K422 (“K422”) beginning in the 2012-2013 school year.¹

Academy for Young Writers is currently co-located with J.H.S. 050 John D. Wells in building K050 (“K050”) at 183 South 3rd Street, Brooklyn, NY 11211, in Brooklyn’s Community School District 14. If this proposal is approved, Academy for Young Writers will be re-sited to K422 located at 1065 Elton Street, Brooklyn, NY 11208 in Brooklyn’s Community School District 19, beginning in the 2012-2013 school year.

This proposal also describes a planned grade expansion at the Academy for Young Writers, which will be submitted to DOE’s Office of New Schools for approval. The proposal provides that in the 2013-2014 school year, Academy for Young Writers will enroll sixth grade students for the first time. The school will then add one grade each year until reaching full scale as a secondary school serving students in grades six through twelve in 2015-2016.

This proposal will provide students in Brooklyn with an additional middle school option beginning in the 2013-2014 school year. It will also provide high school students in District 19, who make up the largest percentage of enrollment at Academy for Young Writers, with an option closer to their own homes in the 2012-2013 school year.

Building K422 is a new building, designed to serve two secondary schools serving students in grades six through twelve and a District 75 program, that is expected to become available for use by September 2012. If this proposal is approved, a new secondary school, 19K422, will enroll its founding cohort of sixth grade students in September of 2012. The school will then add one grade each year until reaching full scale as a secondary school serving students in grades six through twelve in 2018-2019.

¹ 2011-2011 unaudited register.

The DOE anticipates that a District 75 program will also be co-located at building K422. At the time of this EIS, this District 75 program has not been identified and it has not yet been determined whether the District 75 program will be a new program or a re-siting of an existing District 75 program. If the DOE decides to relocate an existing District 75 school to Building K422, this proposal will be described in an additional future Educational Impact Statement (“EIS”).

Because it is a newly constructed facility, no school organization currently uses space at building K422. The building is projected to have the capacity to serve 1,202 students. If this proposal is approved, Academy for Young Writers’ students will be sited in K422 in 2012-2013 with both the founding sixth grade cohort of 19K422 and a District 75 school. These three school organizations would serve a total of up to 585 students in 2012-2013, yielding a projected building utilization rate of 49%.

II. Information regarding where the full text of the proposed item may be obtained.

The EIS can be found on the DOE website at:

<http://schools.nyc.gov/AboutUs/leadership/PEP/publicnotice/2011-2012/Jan2012Proposals.htm>

Copies of the EIS are also available in the main office of Academy for Young Writers.

III. Submission of public comment.

Written comments can be sent to D14Proposals@schools.nyc.gov.

Oral comments can be left at (212) 374-0208.

IV. The name, office, address, e-mail and telephone number of the city district representative, knowledgeable on the item under consideration, from whom information may be obtained concerning the item.

Name: Toby Shepherd
Office: Division of Portfolio Planning
Address: 52 Chambers Street, New York, NY 10007
E-mail: D14Proposals@schools.nyc.gov
Phone: (212) 374-0208

V. Date, time, and place of Joint Public Hearing for this proposal.

January 9th, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.
Building K050
183 South 3rd Street, Brooklyn NY 11211

Questions about the proposal should be directed as indicated above in section IV.

Speaker sign-up will begin 30 minutes before the hearing and will close 15 minutes after the start.

VI. Date, time and place of the Panel for Educational Policy meeting at which the Panel will vote on the proposed item.

January 18, 2012 at 6:00 PM
Brooklyn Technical High School
29 Fort Greene Place, Brooklyn, NY 11217