



Notice
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The Proposed Co-Location of the New Visions Charter High School for the Humanities and the New Visions Charter High School for Advanced Math and Science with John F. Kennedy High School (10X475), Bronx Engineering and Technology Academy (10X213), Bronx School for Law and Finance (10X284), E.L.L.I.S. Preparatory Academy (10X397), Marble Hill High School for International Studies (10X477), and Bronx Theatre High School (10X546) in School Building X475

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

The New York City Department of Education (“DOE”) is proposing to co-locate the New Visions Charter High School for the Humanities (“High School for the Humanities”) and the New Visions Charter High School for Advanced Math and Science (“High School for Advanced Math and Science”), two new charter schools, in school building X475 (“X475” or the “Kennedy High School Campus”) located at 99 Terrace View Avenue, Bronx, NY 10463, within the geographical confines of Community School District 10 (“District 10”). The proposed new charter schools would offer a rigorous academic program and prepare students for post-secondary work in the humanities, and math and science, respectively.

If this proposal is approved, High School for the Humanities and High School for Advanced Math and Science would be co-located with the following six existing schools: John F. Kennedy High School (10X475, “Kennedy”), Bronx Engineering and Technology Academy (10X213, “BETA”), Bronx School for Law and Finance (10X284, “BSLF”), E.L.L.I.S. Preparatory Academy (10X397, “E.L.L.I.S. Academy”), Marble Hill High School for International Studies (10X477, “Marble Hill”), and Bronx Theatre High School (10X546, “Bronx Theatre”). E.L.L.I.S. Academy opened in September 2008 and is still phasing in to the building, gradually growing to full scale as it adds a new grade of students annually. The other schools in the building have already reached full scale and currently enroll students in grades 9-12. In addition, X475 houses two evening programs: a GED Plus/Learning to Work program (“GED Plus/LTW program”) and a Young Adult Borough Center (“YABC”). A “co-location” means that two or more school organizations are located in the same building and may share common spaces like auditoriums, gymnasiums, libraries, and cafeterias.

In a separate Educational Impact Statement (“EIS”) posted on December 20, 2010, the DOE also proposed to phase out and eventually close Kennedy. In the event that the phase-out of Kennedy is not approved, the DOE would re-examine the availability of space in the building and may, as appropriate, revise its proposal to co-locate High School for the Humanities and High School for Advanced Math and Science in X475. Such a proposal would be described in a revised EIS.

The proposed co-location of High School for the Humanities and High School for Advanced Math and Science in building X475 is part of the DOE's central goal to create new school options that will better serve future students and the community at large. The proposed new charter schools would admit students through a lottery application process. If approved, High School for the Humanities and High School for Advanced Math and Science would gradually phase in to X475 and reach their full grade span of 9-12 in the 2014-2015 school year.

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

The Educational Impact Statement describing this proposal can be found on the Department of Education's Web site: <http://schools.nyc.gov/AboutUs/leadership/PEP/publicnotice/2010-2011/Mar12011Proposals>

Copies of the EIS are also available in the main offices of John F. Kennedy High School, Bronx Engineering and Technology Academy, Bronx School for Law and Finance, E.L.L.I.S. Preparatory Academy, Marble Hill High School, and Bronx Theatre High School.

III. Submission of public comment.

Written comments can be sent to HS.Proposals@schools.nyc.gov.

Oral comments can be left at 212-374-5159.

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

Name: Izaak Orlansky
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V. Date, time and place of joint public hearing for this proposal.

February 15, 2011 at 6:00 p.m.
John F. Kennedy Educational Campus
99 Terrace View Avenue
Bronx, NY 10463

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

Speaker sign-up will begin 30 minutes before the hearing and will close 15 minutes after the start. Interpretation services will be provided in Spanish. To request interpretation services in another language, please contact Mr. Orlansky at the e-mail address or telephone number above.

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

March 1, 2011 at 6:00 p.m.
Brooklyn Technical High School
29 Fort Greene Place
Brooklyn, NY 11217