



Revised Notice
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The Proposed Opening of New Design Middle School (05M514) and Co-Location with Existing Schools I.S. 195 (05M195) and KIPP Infinity Charter School (84M336), and Newly Sited KIPP High School Grades in Building M195

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

In an Educational Impact Statement (“EIS”) posted on January 31, 2011, and amended on March 16, 2011, the New York City Department of Education (“DOE”) proposed opening a new District middle school, the New Design Middle School (05M514, “New School”) serving grades six through eight in Building M195, located at 625 West 133rd Street, New York, NY 10027 in Community School District 5. This new middle school will be co-located in M195 with an existing District choice middle school, I.S.195 Roberto Clemente (05M195, “I.S. 195”) and the elementary and middle school grades of KIPP Infinity Charter School (84M336, “KIPP Infinity K-8”), an existing public charter school currently serving Kindergarten and grades five through eight. In addition, in a separate EIS also posted on January 31, 2011 and amended on March 16, 2011, the DOE proposed the temporary co-location of KIPP High School grades in M195 for the 2011-2012 and 2012-2013 school years. A “co-location” means that two or more school organizations are located in the same building and may share common spaces like auditoriums, gymnasiums, and cafeterias. The proposals were both approved by the Panel for Educational Policy (“PEP”) on March 23, 2011.

The DOE has now published a revised EIS and revised Building Utilization Plan (“BUP”) in response to public comments on this and other proposals. The revisions to the EIS and BUP are described in detail in Section II below.

This revised notice also provides information about a joint public hearing that will take place regarding this proposal. The revised proposal will be subject to a vote by the Panel for Educational Policy (“PEP”), the date and location of which are set forth below.

In a separate EIS published on December 18, 2010, the DOE proposed to gradually phase out and eventually close I.S. 195 because of its low performance and inability to turn around quickly to better support student needs. That proposal was approved by the Panel for Educational Policy on February 1, 2011. This new middle school is proposed to replace I.S. 195 and provide a high quality option to middle school students in District 5.

I.S. 195 admits students in sixth grade through the District 5 Middle School Choice application process, and is a district choice middle school. The school currently enrolls 398 students.

Because the proposal to phase-out I.S. 195 was approved, I.S. 195 will no longer admit sixth-grade students after the conclusion of the 2010-2011 school year. One grade would then be phased out per year. During the 2011-2012 school year, I.S. 195 will serve students in grades seven and eight. In 2012-2013, I.S. 195 will serve students in eighth grade only. The school will close after June 2013.

New School will open in September 2011 with sixth grade, and add one grade per year until it serves sixth through eighth grades. New School will offer up to four sections per grade of General Education/CTT classes, SC classes, and a special education program to serve students who are cognitively impaired. Admission to New School will be through the District 5 middle school choice process. New School will be a Limited Unscreened school, meaning students who express interest by attending an information session at the school or speaking to school representatives at a middle school fair will receive admission preference. Total enrollment at the new school will be approximately 300-375 students at full scale.

In 2010-2011, KIPP Infinity K-8 and I.S. 195 enrolled a total of 796 students in M195, yielding a target capacity of 57%. If this proposal and the proposal to temporarily locate KIPP's high school grades in M195 were both approved, in 2011-2012 projected enrollment of the schools in M195 would be approximately 1,355-1,425 students, and M195 would have a projected building utilization rate of 98-103% of target capacity. In 2012-2013, there would be 1,600-1,695 students enrolled in M195, for a building utilization rate of 115-122% of target capacity. Beginning in 2013-2014, after KIPP High School leaves the M195 building, total enrollment of the remaining schools would be 965-1,065 students. At that point, building utilization would be between 70-77% of target capacity, and the building would have room to serve additional students.

II. Identification of all revisions, including substantial revisions to the item.

The DOE is now revising this proposal in response to public comments on this and other proposals. This revised EIS changes the projected enrollment for I.S. 195 to conform to budget register projections for 2011-2012. It therefore also changes the total number of students projected to be served by all schools and the projected building utilization rate. It also includes information about programs and partnerships at I.S. 195 and KIPP Infinity K-8 and includes more detailed information about New School.

The DOE has also published a revised Building Utilization Plan ("BUP"), which is annexed to this revised EIS. The revised BUP makes the following changes:

- the number of students that I.S. 195 is projected to serve in the coming years has been revised to reflect budget register projections for 2011-2012. The number of sections I.S. 195 will program to serve these students has also been revised, resulting in revisions to I.S. 195's baseline allocation of space in future years;
- the allocation of space between all school organizations has been changed to reflect I.S. 195's increased baseline allocation;
- a dance studio that occupies one full-size classroom and is considered a shared space for the building has been listed as a shared space and has been removed from the total number of rooms available to be allocated to the individual schools;

- a computer lab currently used by I.S. 195 has been added to the total number of rooms available to be allocated to the individual schools;
- the timing of construction to divide one double-sized classroom into two full-size classrooms has been moved up to 2011-2012 instead of 2012-2013; and
- the proposed shared space schedule on pages 12-13 has been adjusted and the DOE has clarified the rationale for the amount of time that each co-located school is allocated in the shared spaces under this proposal.

III. Summary of all public comment received to date.

A joint public hearing regarding this proposal and the separate proposal to co-locate KIPP High School in M195 was held at I.S. 195 / KIPP Infinity Charter School on March 3, 2011. At that hearing, interested parties had an opportunity to provide input on the proposal. Approximately 250 members of the public attended the hearing, and 14 people spoke. Present at the meeting were: District 5 Superintendent Gale Reeves; I.S. 195 School Leadership Team representative Sean Licata; KIPP Co-founder and Superintendent David Levin; and Jenny Sobelman of the DOE Office of Public Affairs. Although Community Education Council 5 had confirmed the hearing date and that they would be able to attend the hearing, no CEC 5 representatives were present.

No comments were made regarding this proposal at the joint public hearing. However, comments were made regarding the KIPP High School co-location proposal. For a summary of those comments, please consult the separate revised EIS for that proposal, which can be found at <http://schools.nyc.gov/AboutUs/leadership/PEP/publicnotice/2010-2011/June2011Proposals>

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

The revised EIS and BUP can be found on the Department of Education's Web site: <http://schools.nyc.gov/AboutUs/leadership/PEP/publicnotice/2010-2011/June2011Proposals>

Copies of the revised EIS and BUP are also available in the main offices of both I.S. 195 and KIPP Infinity K-8 Charter School.

V. Submission of public comment.

Written comments can be sent to D05Proposals@schools.nyc.gov
Oral comments can be left at 212-374-3466.

VI. 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.

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VII. Date, time and place of joint public hearing for this proposal.

Joint public hearings on this proposal were held on March 3 at I.S. 195 and on March 9 at Mott Haven Educational Campus. The transcripts of these hearings are available at the following links:
<http://schools.nyc.gov/community/planning/changes/manhattan/IS195> and
<http://schools.nyc.gov/community/planning/changes/manhattan/KIPPHS>

Additional joint public hearings will be held on the revised proposal on the following dates:

June 15, 2011
6:00 p.m.
I.S. 195
625 West 133rd Street
New York, NY 10027

June 16, 2011
6:00 p.m.
Mott Haven Educational Campus
730 Concourse Village West
Bronx, NY 10451

Questions about the proposal should be directed as indicated in section VI 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 Ms. Cheong at the e-mail address or telephone number above.

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

June 27, 2011 at 6:00 p.m.
High School of Fashion Industries
225 West 24th Street, New York, NY 10011.