Amended Notice
June 13, 2011

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Chancellor

The Amended Proposed Grade Reconfiguration of Khalil Gibran International Academy (13K592)

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

Khalil Gibran International Academy (13K592, "Khalil Gibran") is an existing middle school located in building K287 at 50 Navy Street, Brooklyn, NY 11201, in Community School District 13. Khalil Gibran currently enrolls 111 students in sixth through eighth grade in building K287, where it is co-located with P.S. 287 Bailey K. Ashford (13K287, "P.S. 287"). P.S. 287 is an existing zoned elementary school that currently serves students in kindergarten through fifth grade and offers a pre-kindergarten program. 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.

On March 4, 2011, the New York City Department of Education ("DOE") published an Educational Impact Statement ("EIS") proposing to implement a "grade reconfiguration." This proposal is not expected to impact current middle school students enrolled at Khalil Gibran, with the possible exception of students who do not meet promotion requirements at the end of the proposed truncation. If this proposal is approved, Khalil Gibran would gradually stop serving middle school students in grades 6-8, and would instead serve high school students in grades 9-12 in K806. Under this proposal, at the end of the 2010-2011 school year, Khalil Gibran would no longer enroll sixth grade students. All eighth graders who meet promotional standards would apply to high school through the Citywide High School Admissions Process, and students in the sixth and seventh grades who meet promotion requirements would remain at the school until the completion of the eighth grade. During the 2011-2012 school year, Khalil Gibran would serve seventh and eighth grade students. At the end of the 2011-2012 school year, Khalil Gibran would be resited to another building. During the 2012-2013 school year, Khalil Gibran would serve eighth and ninth grade students. After the last class of eight grade students graduates in June 2013, Khalil Gibran would no longer serve any middle school grades.

On March 31, 2011, the DOE published an amended EIS that corrected a typographical error that incorrectly referenced a phase-out. The DOE has not proposed to phase-out any school organization in building K287, and any references to a phase-out of any school organization in building K287 were removed in the amended EIS.

In a separate EIS published on March 4, 2011, the DOE proposed to re-site and co-locate Khalil Gibran's eighth grade in building K806 after the end of the 2011-2012 school year. Beginning in the 2012-2013 school year, Khalil Gibran will be co-located with Metropolitan Corporate Academy High School (15K530, "MCA") and the Brooklyn School for Career Development (75K753, "SCD"). In the 2012-2013, Khalil Gibran will also enroll ninth grade students through the Citywide High School Admissions Process. Khalil Gibran will expand to serve one additional grade each year until it reaches full scale in 2014-2015 and serves ninth through twelfth grade.

Khalil Gibran would only be co-located with MCA for two years because on February 1, 2011, the Panel for Educational Policy approved the proposal to phase-out MCA based on its poor performance and the DOE's assessment that the school lacks capacity to turn around quickly to better support student needs. MCA will be phased out and will eventually close in June 2014.

An amended notice was published on March 24, 2011 which provided a date for the joint public hearing on this proposal. On April 27, 2011, the DOE issued an amended notice that provided a date and location for the Panel for Educational Policy's ("PEP") vote on this proposal.

This amended notice is to advise you that the location where the Panel for Educational Policy meeting will be held and where the vote for this proposal will take place has changed as indicated in Section VI below.

The proposal is being scheduled for a later PEP vote in order to provide the community with an opportunity to continue to offer further feedback on this proposal. Thus, this proposal will no longer be voted upon on May 18, 2011, rather the PEP will vote on this proposal on June 27, 2011.

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

The amended Educational Impact Statement 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 amended EIS are also available in the main offices of Khalil Gibran and P.S. 287.

III. Submission of public comment.

Written comments can be sent to D13Proposals@schools.nyc.gov.
Oral comments can be left at 212-374-0208.

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.

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

Joint public hearings were held on April 4, 2011 at Khalil Gibran / P.S. 287 and April 14, 2011 at MCA / SCD to gather community feedback. The transcripts of the hearings are available at the following link:
http://schools.nyc.gov/community/planning/changes/brooklyn/KhalilGibran.

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

VI. 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.
Prospect Heights Campus
883 Classon Ave

Brooklyn, NY 11225