



Amended Notice
February 4, 2015

**Department of
Education**

Carmen Fariña, Chancellor

The Proposed Temporary Partial Re-siting and Co-location of P.S. 46 Edgar Allan Poe (10X046) with Thomas C. Giordano M.S. 45 (10X045) in Building X045 for Four Years Beginning in the 2015-2016 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 temporarily re-site one grade level of P.S. 46 Edgar Allan Poe (10X046, “P.S. 46”) from building X046 (“X046”), located at 279 East 196th Street, Bronx, New York 10458 in Community School District 10 (“District 10”) to building X045 (“X045”), located at 2502 Lorillard Place, Bronx, New York, 10458, in District 10, where P.S. 46’s grade level would be co-located with existing district middle school Thomas C. Giordano M.S. 45 (10X045, “M.S. 45”) for a four-year period beginning in the 2015-2016 school year. A “re-siting” means that students will attend classes in a different building than in previous years, and a “co-location” means that two or more school organizations are located in the same building and may share common spaces such as auditoriums, gymnasiums, libraries, and cafeterias. A project to build an addition to the X046 building is scheduled to begin in the 2015-2016 school year, which will require P.S. 46 to temporarily re-site some of its students. If this proposal is approved, P.S. 46’s fifth-grade students will be co-located for four years with M.S. 45 in building X045 while the addition project is completed. The addition to X046 will add elementary school seats for District 10, which is in need of additional capacity.

The DOE has amended this notice to reflect the new location of the Panel for Educational Policy’s February 25, 2015 meeting at which this and other proposals will be voted. The new location for the February 25, 2015 meeting is The High School of Fashion Industries, located at 225 West 24th Street, New York, NY 10011. No other changes have been made to this proposal.

P.S. 46 is an existing zoned elementary school that serves students in kindergarten through fifth grades in building X046. Additionally, P.S. 46 serves students in mini-building X846, located at the same address as main building X046, and nearby annex X831, located at 290 East 196th Street, Bronx, New York 10458, just across the street from building X046. The utilization rate across all three buildings for the current school year is approximately 125%, indicating the need for additional capacity for P.S. 46, which is why construction of an addition to X046 is planned. Construction of the addition to X046 involves demolishing mini-building X846, which will require P.S. 46 students to vacate the mini-building. Building X046 and annex X831 do not have sufficient space to absorb the students currently served in mini-building X846; if a portion of

P.S. 46 is not re-sited next year and P.S. 46 attempts to serve all of its students in the main building and annex, the approximate combined utilization rate of X046 and X831 is projected to be 134%-141% in 2015-2016. Therefore, a temporary, partial re-siting is needed in order to accommodate all P.S. 46 students while the addition is under construction. The addition is anticipated to have a capacity of approximately 650 seats, which will substantially increase the capacity of the X046 building. The construction of the addition is anticipated to be completed prior to the start of the 2019-2020 school year, at which time the P.S. 46 students being served at X045 will return to X046 and annex X831.

Building X045, where the DOE is proposing to re-site one grade level of P.S. 46, houses M.S. 45, an existing zoned district middle school that serves grades six through eight, and community-based organization (“CBO”) Beacon. Building X045 is approximately 0.8 miles away from building X046. According to the 2013-2014 Enrollment, Capacity, Utilization Report (the “Blue Book”), building X045 has the capacity to serve 1,262 students. In 2014-2015, the X045 building serves 716 students, yielding an estimated utilization rate of 57%, meaning the building is under-utilized and has space to accommodate additional students. If this proposal is approved, during the first year of its implementation in 2015-2016, there will be a total of 900-940 students served collectively by P.S. 46 and M.S. 45 in building X045. This yields a projected target utilization rate of 71%-74%. During the fourth and final year of this proposal, in 2018-2019, P.S. 46 and M.S. 45 will serve a total of 875-915 students in building X045. This yields a projected target utilization rate of 69%-73%. Therefore, the DOE believes that the X045 building can accommodate P.S. 46 students over the course of this proposal.

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

The Educational Impact Statement (“EIS”) can be found on the Department of Education’s Web site: <http://schools.nyc.gov/AboutUs/leadership/PEP/publicnotice/2014-2015/February2015SchoolProposals>.

Copies of the EIS are also available in the main offices of P.S. 46 and M.S. 45.

III. Submission of public comment.

Written comments can be sent to D10Proposals@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: Bridget Mercier
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Address: 52 Chambers Street, New York, NY 10007
Email: D10Proposals@schools.nyc.gov
Phone: 212-374-5159

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

February 9, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.
X045 Building
2502 Lorillard Place
Bronx, NY 10458

February 11, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.
X046 Building
279 East 196th Street
Bronx, NY 10458

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

Speaker sign-up will begin 30 minutes before the hearings 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.

February 25, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.
The High School of Fashion Industries
225 West 24th Street
New York, NY 10011