



Notice

May 2, 2013

Dennis M. Walcott

Chancellor

The Proposed Opening and Co-location of New High School 29Q313 with Business, Computer Applications & Entrepreneurship High School (29Q496), Mathematics, Science Research and Technology Magnet High School (29Q492), Law, Government and Community Service High School (29Q494), Humanities & Arts Magnet High School (29Q498) and Institute for Health Professions at Cambria Heights (29Q243) in School Building Q490 Beginning in 2014-2015

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

The New York City Department of Education (“DOE”) is proposing to open and co-locate 29Q313 (“29Q313” or “New School”), a new district high school, in school building Q490 (“Q490”) on the Campus Magnet Educational Campus (“Campus Magnet”), beginning in the 2014-2015 school year. Campus Magnet is located at 207-01 116th Avenue, Queens, NY 11411, within the geographical confines of Community School District 29 (“District 29”). If this proposal is approved, 29Q313 will be co-located with the following district schools: Business, Computer Applications & Entrepreneurship High School (29Q496, “BCAE”), an existing high school serving students in grades nine through twelve; Mathematics, Science Research and Technology Magnet High School (29Q492, “MAST”), an existing high school serving students in grades nine through twelve; Law, Government and Community Service High School (29Q494, “LGCS”), an existing high school serving students in grades nine through twelve; Humanities & Arts Magnet High School (29Q498, “Humanities and Arts”), an existing high school serving students in grades nine through twelve; and Institute for Health Professions at Cambria

Heights (29Q243, “29Q243”), a new high school that will open during the 2013-2014 school year, to serve students in the ninth grade. 29Q243 would gradually phase in by adding one grade per year. 29Q243 is expected to reach full scale in 2016-2017 and would serve students in grades nine through twelve. In addition, building Q490 houses a School Based Health Center program.

On March 11, 2013, the Panel for Educational Policy (“PEP”) approved proposals to phase out and eventually close BCAE and LGCS. Additionally, the PEP approved a proposal to open and co-locate 29Q243 as part of the replacement plan for LGCS.

Those proposals can be accessed on the DOE’s Web site:

<http://schools.nyc.gov/AboutUs/leadership/PEP/publicnotice/2012-2013/Mar112013Proposals.htm>.

At that time, the DOE also anticipated opening a new school in September 2014 in Q490 as part of the replacement strategy for BCAE and indicated that a separate EIS for such a proposal would be posted at a later date. 29Q313 is intended to serve as the replacement strategy for BCAE.

Both BCAE and LGCS will no longer admit new ninth-grade students after the end of the 2012-2013 school year. However, both schools will continue to serve students currently enrolled in the school. The enrollment at both schools will decrease gradually over the next three years, and the schools will complete phasing out in June 2016.

The proposed opening and co-location of 29Q313 in Q490 is part of the DOE’s central goal to create new school options that will better serve future students and the community at large. 29Q313 would be open to students through the Citywide High School Admissions Process and would have a limited unscreened selection method, giving priority to students residing in Queens. 29Q313 may also offer a rigorous academic program with a career and technical education (“CTE”) component that would be open to students through the Citywide High School Admissions Process and would have a limited unscreened selection method, giving priority to students residing in Queens. The CTE program would prepare students for post-secondary education and work. The DOE will continue to work with the community to determine what program offerings at 29Q313 will best serve the needs of the students at Campus Magnet. (Detailed information about the High School Admissions Process, over-the-counter admissions, and the proposed school’s admissions criteria can be found in Section III.A of this proposal.)

According to the 2011-2012 Enrollment, Capacity, Utilization Report (“Blue Book”), Q490 has a target capacity of 2,009 students and in 2012-2013; the building is serving only 1,603 students, yielding a building utilization rate of 80%.

If this proposal is approved, 29Q313 would open during the 2014-2015 school year, when it would serve approximately 105-115 students in the ninth grade. 29Q313 would gradually phase in by adding one grade per year. The school is expected to reach full scale in 2017-2018 and would serve approximately 420-460 students in grades nine through twelve.

In 2017-2018, once BCAE and LGCS have completed their respective phase-outs and 29Q243 and 29Q313 are at full scale, it is projected that there will be approximately 1,715-1,875 students served in Q490, thereby yielding an estimated utilization rate of approximately 85%-93%.

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/2012-2013/June2013Proposals.htm>.

Copies of the EIS are also available in the Law, Government and Community Service High School, Humanities & Arts Magnet High School, Business, Computer Applications & Entrepreneurship High School, and Mathematics, Science Research and Technology Magnet High School main offices.

III. Submission of public comment.

Written comments can be sent to D29Proposals@schools.nyc.gov.

Oral comments can be left at 212-374-7621.

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: Emily Ades
Office: Division of Portfolio Planning
Address: 52 Chambers Street, New York, NY 10007
Email: D29Proposals@schools.nyc.gov
Phone: 212-374-7621

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

June 4, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.
Business, Computer Applications & Entrepreneurship High School
207- 01 116th Ave
Queens, NY 11411

Questions about the proposal should 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.

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

June 19, 2013 at 6:00 pm

The Michael J. Petrides School

715 Ocean Terrace

Staten Island, NY 10301