



Notice  
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Chancellor

## **The Proposed Opening and Co-location of The Proposed Opening of Achievement First North Brooklyn Preparatory Charter School with Existing School P.S. 299- Thomas Warren Field (32K299) in Building K299 Beginning in 2015-2016**

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

The New York City Department of Education (“DOE”) is proposing to site grades five through eight of Achievement First North Brooklyn Preparatory Charter School (84KTBD, “AF North Brooklyn Preparatory”) in building K299 (“K299”), beginning in the 2015-2016 school year. K299 is located at 88 Woodbine Street, Brooklyn, New York, 11221, in Community School District 32. If this proposal is approved, AF North Brooklyn Preparatory will be co-located with P.S. 299 Thomas Warren Field (32K299, “P.S. 299”), an existing zoned K-5 school in building K299. P.S. 299 also offers two sections of a full-day pre-kindergarten program. Beginning in the 2015-2016 school year, AF North Brooklyn Preparatory will begin to phase in and serve fifth grade students, and will add one grade level each year until it reaches full scale serving fifth through eighth grade students in K299 by the 2018-2019 school year.

In October 2012, AF North Brooklyn Preparatory charter was authorized by the State University of New York Trustees (“SUNY”) to serve students in kindergarten through eighth grade. AF North Brooklyn Preparatory will be managed by Achievement First Schools (“Achievement First”), a Charter Management Organization (“CMO”). On June 19, 2013 a proposal was approved to co-locate AF North Brooklyn Preparatory’s kindergarten through fourth grades in building K377 located in District 32.

Under this proposal, AF North Brooklyn Preparatory will begin enrolling fifth grade students in K299 for the 2015-2016 school year, continuing to add one grade each year until it serves students in fifth through eighth grades in 2018-2019. At that point, it will serve its elementary school grades (K-4) in building K377 and its middle school grades (5-8) in building K299. Additional information about AF North Brooklyn Preparatory’s charter lottery process can be found in Section III.A of the Educational Impact Statement( “EIS”) .

P.S. 299 is an existing zoned elementary school that currently serves students in kindergarten through fifth grade and offers two sections of a full-day pre-kindergarten program. P.S. 299 provides admissions preference to students residing in the K299 zone. This proposal will not

impact P.S. 299's ability to offer pre-kindergarten.

According to the 2011-2012 Enrollment, Capacity, Utilization Report (the "Blue Book"), K299 has the capacity to serve 618 students. If this proposal is approved, K299 is projected to serve approximately 406-481 students from AF North Brooklyn Preparatory and P.S. 299 during the 2015-2016 phase-in year, yielding an estimated building utilization rate of 66%-78%. At full scale in 2018-2019, K299 will serve approximately 646-766 students from AF North Brooklyn Preparatory and P.S. 299, yielding an estimated building utilization rate of 105%-124%. As detailed in the attached Building Utilization Plan ("BUP"), all schools will receive space that meets their instructions needs, and the building has space to accommodate P.S. 299 and AF North Brooklyn Preparatory.

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

The Educational Impact Statement ("EIS") and Building Utilization Plan ("BUP") can be found on the Department of Education's Web site:

<http://schools.nyc.gov/AboutUs/leadership/PEP/publicnotice/2013-2014/Oct30SchoolProposals>

Copies of the EIS are also available in the main office of P.S. 299- Thomas Warren Field.

## **III. Submission of public comment.**

Written comments can be sent to [D32Proposals@schools.nyc.gov](mailto:D32Proposals@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.**

October 23, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.  
K299 Building  
88 Woodbine St  
Brooklyn, NY 11221

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.**

October 30, 2013 at 6:00 PM  
Prospect Heights Campus  
883 Classon Ave  
Brooklyn, NY 11225