



Amended Notice
February 3, 2012

The Amended Proposed Phase-Out of Samuel Gompers Career and Technical Education High School (07X655), Beginning in 2012-2013

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

On December 22, 2011, the New York City Department of Education (“DOE”) issued a proposal to phase out Samuel Gompers Career and Technical Education High School (07X655, “Samuel Gompers”) based on its poor performance and the DOE’s assessment that the school lacks the capacity to turn around quickly to better support student needs. Samuel Gompers is located in building X655 at 455 Southern Boulevard, Bronx, NY 10455, within the geographical confines of Community School District 7 (“District 7”).

The Educational Impact Statement (“EIS”) describing this proposal has been amended to reflect that New Visions Charter High School for Advanced Math and Science II (84XTBD, “AMS II”) is no longer proposed to be co-located in building X655; instead, it is now proposed that New Visions Charter High School for the Humanities II (84XTBD, “HUM II”) will be co-located in building X655. Additionally, the amended EIS now includes: (1) projected enrollment ranges for HUM II, based on its approved charter; (2) enrollment data for Samuel Gompers from the 2011-2012 Audited Register; (3) projected estimated building target utilization rates based on audited enrollment numbers and clarified footnotes related to the same; (4) edits to the list of partnerships offered by Samuel Gompers; (5) an updated “Impact on the Community” section with additional information about other new high schools opening in the Bronx in September 2012; and (6) updated Appendices A and B containing demographics information based on the 2011-2012 Audited Register. Typographical errors have also been corrected.

If this proposal is approved by the Panel for Educational Policy (“PEP”) in February 2012, Samuel Gompers will no longer admit new ninth-grade students after the conclusion of the 2011-2012 school year and will continue to phase out one grade at a time until June 2015, when it will close.

Students currently attending Samuel Gompers will be supported as they progress towards graduation while remaining enrolled at Samuel Gompers. In cases where students do not complete graduation requirements by June 2015, the DOE will help those students and their families identify alternate programs or schools that meet their individual needs so that students may continue their education after Samuel Gompers completes its phase-out.

Samuel Gompers is a Career and Technical Education (“CTE”) school. It currently serves

approximately 630 students in grades nine through twelve. Samuel Gompers admits students in ninth grade through the Citywide High School Admissions Process. Additional information about the Citywide High School Admissions Process is provided in Section III.A of the EIS.

In two separate EISs, originally posted on December 22, 2011, the DOE proposed to open two new high schools in building X655 as replacements for Samuel Gompers: AMS II and 07X557, a new transfer high school. On February 2, 2012, the DOE withdrew these proposals and issued two new proposals providing for the co-location of HUM II and 07X557 in building X655. For details about these proposals, please visit:

<http://schools.nyc.gov/AboutUs/leadership/PEP/publicnotice/2011-2012/Mar212012Proposals.htm>

If the proposals to co-locate HUM II and 07X557 in building X655 are approved, HUM II and 07X557 would begin to serve students in the building in September 2012. HUM II, a new public charter high school that was approved by the New York State Education Department on September 12, 2011, will admit students through a charter lottery, giving preference to students who reside in District 7. 07X557 will have a rolling admissions policy, accepting students who are 16 years of age and older and who have attended another high school for at least one year.

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

The amended EIS can be found on the DOE's Web site at:

<http://schools.nyc.gov/AboutUs/leadership/PEP/publicnotice/2011-2012/Feb2012Proposals.htm>.

Copies of the amended EIS are also available in Samuel Gompers' main office.

III. Submission of public comment.

Written comments can be sent to D07Proposals@schools.nyc.gov.

Oral comments can be left at 212-374-5159.

IV. The name, office, address, e-mail, and telephone number of the city district representative, knowledgeable on the item under consideration, from whom information may be obtained concerning the item.

Name: Rosa Fernández
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Address: 52 Chambers Street, New York, NY 10007
Email: D07Proposals@schools.nyc.gov
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V. Date, time, and place of Joint Public Hearing for this proposal.

Please note that the joint public hearing for this proposal has taken place on the date indicated below. A transcript of this hearing will be available at the following link:
<http://schools.nyc.gov/community/planning/changes/bronx/proposal?id=82>

February 2, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.
Samuel Gompers Career and Technical Education High School
455 Southern Boulevard, Bronx, NY 10455

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

February 9, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.
Brooklyn Technical High School
29 Fort Greene Place
Brooklyn, NY 11217