

Description of Zone Changes for J.H.S. 217 in District 28
Beginning in the 2016-2017 School Year

On May 7, 2015, Community Education Council 28 voted to change the current zone for J.H.S. 217 in District 28 and to create a middle school zone for new building Q314. The approved zone changes for the 2016-2017 school year may be found in the map provided below.

Why did the CEC approve this zone change?

- To create a middle school zone for the new middle school in new building Q314, located at 88-08 164th Street. The new school is opening for the 2015-2016 school year; however, the proposed zone would be implemented for the 2016-2017 school year,
- To alleviate enrollment pressure at J.H.S. 217.

What changes should families expect as a result of this rezoning?

- Some residents in the southeast portion of the J.H.S. 217 zone will now be zoned for the middle school in building Q314.

What will this mean for my family?

The approved changes would impact only incoming 6th grade students or students that are new to the system in 2016-2017. All currently enrolled students may remain in their school. Students will be enrolled in New York City middle schools by the following priority:

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1. Students with a zoned middle school have a priority to attend that school if they rank it on their middle school application. During the middle school admissions process, available seats (determined by OSE) at zoned schools will be available for non-zoned students who apply once all of the zoned students have been accommodated in the application process. Zoned students who do not apply to their zoned school will be accommodated before non-zoned students on appeal as space is available.
2. Fifth-grade students attending a K-8 school maintain a priority for the 6th grade middle school admissions process if they rank the continuing K-8 school on their middle school choice application. During the middle school admissions process, available seats (determined by OSE) at K-8 schools will be available for non-continuing students who apply once all of the continuing students have been accommodated in the application process. Continuing students will be accommodated before non-continuing students on appeal as space is available.
3. When students receive a non-zoned or non-continuing school placement as a part of the middle school choice process, the students no longer have any entitlement to return to their zoned or K-8 school for the duration of middle school. Any requests for the zoned or K-8 school must be expressed through the PER or transfer process.

Where can I go for more information?

- Website: <http://schools.nyc.gov/ChoicesEnrollment/Middle/default.htm>
- Phone Number: 718-935-2009
- Family Welcome Center: 90-27 Sutphin Boulevard, Jamaica, NY 11435.

New, Approved Zones (2016-2017):

The green shape represents the current zone for J.H.S. 217. The black outline represents the proposed new zone boundaries. All zone lines run down the center of the street with the exception of 164th Street between Hillside Avenue and 89th Avenue, which includes both sides of the street. Starting in 2016-2017, the new zone for the middle school in Q314 is determined by the shape outlined in black:

