



**Department of
Education**

Dennis M. Walcott, Chancellor

Notice of Public Hearing

Date: Thursday, October 3, 2013

Time: Speaker Registration: 5:30 PM – 6:00 PM
Presentation, Comments, and Questions: 6:00 PM

Location: **The Equality Charter School**
4140 Hutchinson River Pkwy E
Bronx, NY 10475

Event : This public hearing is open to anyone interested in learning about the proposed renewal of The Equality Charter School.

Name of Charter School	The Equality Charter School
Terms and Dates of Charter	First Charter: January 13, 2009 – January 14, 2014
Current Grade(s) and Approved Enrollment	SCHOOL YEAR: 2013-14 Grades: 6-8: 234 STUDENTS
Current Year of Operation	2013-14: 5th Year of Operation
District of Location	NYC CSD #11
School Summary	<p>Equality Charter School proposes the following revisions to its charter as part of the renewal process:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revise the mission statement to be more concise and accurate: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ To ensure each scholar reaches individual academic and personal success through a nurturing scholar-centered approach. • Update document to reflect current staffing and positions. • Update document to reflect current titles of courses and meetings (such as Home & Careers → Life & Literacy and Grade Level Meetings → Scholar Support Team Meetings) • Revise the Promotion Policy to reflect changes in the DOE promotion policy due to changes in the state test. • Grades 9-12 will reside in a private facility separate from Grades 6-8. • Adjustments to curriculum in regards to removing Saxon Math as main textbook for math classes.

This school is authorized by the New York City Department of Education (NYC DOE). If the DOE declines to renew the school's charter, the school will close at the conclusion of the current charter term. More information can be accessed at: www.schools.nyc.gov/charters .

Comments are welcome; speakers must register within 30 minutes of the hearing's start time. Written comments will also be collected on at the hearing or be submitted via email to: charterschools@schools.nyc.gov.

Pursuant to Education Law 2857(1), the New York City Department of Education is required to hold a public hearing to solicit comment from the community in connection with any revision proposal for a charter school.