

## **Educational Impact Statement**

### **Re-siting of University Heights Secondary School (10X495) and Co-location with Existing Schools in School Building X470**

#### **I. Summary of Proposal**

In the 2010-2011 school year, University Heights Secondary School (10X495, “UHSS”), an existing school that serves students in grades 9-12, will move from its current location in Community School District 10 (“District 10”) to the South Bronx High School Campus (“X470”), located at 701 St. Anns Avenue, Bronx in Community School District 7 (“District 7”). UHSS is currently housed in space on the City University of New York’s (CUNY) Bronx Community College campus in school building X810, located at 181st Street & University Avenue in District 10. Due to increasing enrollment at Bronx Community College, there is no longer sufficient space for UHSS to remain on the campus. CUNY will use the space vacated by UHSS to serve Bronx Community College students.

X470 is an existing facility with a target capacity of 1,073. It currently houses New Explorers High School (07X547, “New Explorers”), Urban Assembly Careers in Sports (07X548, “UA Careers in Sports”), and Mott Haven Village Preparatory High School (07X473, “Mott Haven Prep”). Before the start of the 2010-2011 school year, New Explorers, an existing high school serving grades 9-12, and UA Careers in Sports, an existing high school serving grades 9-12, will move from X470 to a newly constructed building, Mott Haven Campus West (“X790”). The move of New Explorers and UA Careers in Sports from X470 will provide the space for UHSS to move to X470. UHSS will be co-located with Mott Haven Prep in X470.

The 2008-2009 target utilization rate of X470 was 81%. X470 has sufficient space for UHSS and Mott Haven Prep to operate at full organizational capacity.

#### **II. Enrollment, Admissions, and School Performance Information**

##### **A. UHSS**

##### **1. Enrollment**

Current Grades Served: 9-12

Current Enrollment (As of  
10/31/2009 ATS

Unaudited Register): 450

Grades Served 2010-2011: 9-12

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Projected 2010-2011  
Enrollment: 425-475

**2. Admissions**

Students apply for a seat at UHSS through the citywide high school admissions process.

**3. School Performance**

Progress Report Grades

2007-2008: A  
2008-2009: A

High School  
Graduation Rate  
(2008-2009): 84.7%

Quality Review Scores

2007-2008: Well Developed  
2008-2009: No Quality Review conducted as per  
Division of Accountability and Achievement  
Resources review cycle criteria

Accountability Status

Overall Federal  
Status (2008-2009): In Good Standing

Overall State Status  
(2008-2009): In Good Standing

Status with  
Differentiated  
Accountability  
(2009-2010): In Good Standing

To access school performance and accountability information for UHSS, please visit  
<http://schools.nyc.gov/SchoolPortals/10/X495/AboutUs/Statistics>.

Average Attendance  
(2008-2009): 88.1%

To access a copy of the 2008-2009 Attendance Report for UHSS, please visit  
<http://schools.nyc.gov/AboutUs/data/stats/attendance>.

**B. Mott Haven Prep**

**1. Enrollment**

Current Grades Served:	9-12
Current Enrollment (As of 10/31/2009 ATS Unaudited Register):	350
Grades Served 2010-2011:	9-12
Projected 2010-2011 Enrollment:	325-375

**2. Admissions**

Students apply for a seat at Mott Haven Prep through the citywide high school admissions process.

**3. School Performance**

Progress Report Grades

2007-2008:	A
2008-2009:	A

Graduation Rate (2008-2009):	62.2%
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Quality Review Scores

2007-2008:	Proficient
2008-2009:	Proficient

Accountability Status

Overall Federal Status (2008-2009):	In Good Standing
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Overall State Status (2008-2009):	In Good Standing
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Status with Differentiated Accountability (2009-2010):	In Good Standing
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To access school performance and accountability information for Mott Haven Prep, please visit <http://schools.nyc.gov/SchoolPortals/07/X473/AboutUs/Statistics>.

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Average Attendance  
(2008-2009): 83.1%

To access copies of the Attendance Reports for Mott Haven Prep, please visit <http://schools.nyc.gov/AboutUs/data/stats/attendance>.

### **III. Proposed or Potential Use of X470 and X810**

UHSS will move from its current location in X810 and will co-locate with Mott Haven Prep in X470. Both schools will serve grades 9-12 in X470. CUNY will use the space vacated by UHSS to serve Bronx Community College students.

### **IV. Impact of the Proposed Co-location on the Community, Existing Schools and Students**

#### **A. Community Ramifications**

The Bronx has very limited facilities options, particularly for re-siting schools that are already at scale. Although the move of UHSS to X470 will result in the school being located in District 7 rather than District 10, the location change will not have an impact on student eligibility to the school. All students currently attending UHSS will be able to continue to attend UHSS in the new location at X470. All students currently attending Mott Haven Prep will be able to continue to attend Mott Haven Prep in their same location.

#### **B. Existing Schools**

The move to X470 will allow UHSS to continue serving grades 9-12 in one location; other siting options considered by the DOE prior to making this proposal would have resulted in the school serving a smaller number of students and/or being split-sited.

UHSS and Mott Haven Prep will have sufficient instructional space to serve students in X470 as per the citywide instructional footprint and will have sufficient space to operate at full organization capacity. A space plan for all schools in the building will be developed based on the standard instructional footprint. Decisions regarding the programming of shared spaces in X470 will be made by school leaders.

To access the citywide instructional footprint, please visit the New York City Department of Education's ("DOE") Web site at [http://schools.nyc.gov/NR/rdonlyres/8CF30F41-DE25-4C30-92DE-731949919FC3/65901/NYCDOE\\_Instructional\\_Footprint\\_revisedMay2009\\_noco.pdf](http://schools.nyc.gov/NR/rdonlyres/8CF30F41-DE25-4C30-92DE-731949919FC3/65901/NYCDOE_Instructional_Footprint_revisedMay2009_noco.pdf).

#### **C. Students**

The move of UHSS to X470 is likely to result in longer travel time for some students and shorter travel time for other students. All students currently attending UHSS will be able to continue to attend UHSS in the new location at X470. The move of UHSS is not

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expected to have an impact on the enrollment of UHSS. Currently, UHSS enrollment is comprised of students from all Bronx districts and all Manhattan districts except for District 2.

All students currently attending Mott Haven Prep will continue to attend Mott Haven Prep in X470.

### **V. Initial Costs and Savings**

The estimated cost of moving supplies and materials to relocate UHSS is \$45,000. This estimate is based on previous school relocations. Actual costs incurred will be determined by multiple factors at the time of the move.

### **VI. Effect on Personnel Needs and Costs of Instruction, Administration, Transportation and Other Support Services**

#### **A. Personnel**

The re-siting of UHSS and its co-location with Mott Haven Prep in X470 will not impact the personnel needs at either UHSS or Mott Haven Prep.

#### **B. Costs of Instruction**

The re-siting of UHSS and its co-location with Mott Haven Prep in X470 will not impact the costs of instruction at either school. Each school will continue to receive annual per capita funding based on Fair Student Funding allocations.

#### **C. Administration**

The co-location of UHSS and Mott Haven Prep will not impact the administrator and/or school supervisor needs at either school. As stated above, the principals of each school will work together in coordinating the use of the building's shared spaces by both schools.

#### **D. Transportation**

Throughout the course of proposal implementation, transportation will continue to be provided to all students pursuant to Chancellor's Regulation A-801. To access Chancellor's Regulation A-801, please visit the DOE's Web site at <http://schools.nyc.gov/RulesPolicies/ChancellorsRegulations>.

#### **E. Other Support Services**

No impact on the support services provided to students at UHSS and Mott Haven Prep is expected as a result of this proposal. Other support services will continue to be provided consistent with citywide policy.

**VII. Building Information**

**A. Building Type, Age and Physical Condition**

X470 is a high school building that was built in 1921. The building received an overall rating of 2.38 out of 5 on the 2008-2009 Building Condition Assessment Survey (“BCAS”). To view the key for BCAS ratings, please visit <http://schools.nyc.gov/Documents/BCAS/BCAS%20Key.pdf>.

To view the 2008-2009 BCAS Report for X470, please visit <http://schools.nyc.gov/community/facilities/BFIS>.

2008-2009 Target utilization rate: 81%

2008-2009 Target capacity: 1,073

The utilization and capacity information is from the Enrollment, Capacity and Utilization Report which is the standard by which the DOE measures the maximum capacity of the building compared to the enrollment. To access the Enrollment, Capacity and Utilization Report, please visit <http://schools.nyc.gov/Offices/SCA/Reports/CapPlan>.

**B. Fiscal Year 2009 Maintenance Costs**

Labor:	\$17,669
Materials:	\$11,536
Maintenance and Repair Contracts:	\$91,802
Service Contracts:	\$11,400
Custodial Operations	
Materials:	\$9,565
Custodial Allocation:	\$451,629

**A. Fiscal Year 2009 Energy Costs**

Electric:	\$133,583
Gas:	\$91,601
Oil:	\$5,240

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**B. Recent and Planned Improvements**

Recent improvements to X470 include a library upgrade and electrical lighting upgrades both in fiscal year 2008.

No improvement projects at X470 are currently planned.

**C. Special Features**

The building has an auditorium, cafeteria, gymnasium, library and science lab rooms/class rooms (3).

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