



Amended Notice
February 25, 2010

Joel I. Klein
Chancellor

Educational Impact Statement

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

In the 2010-2011 school year, pending approval of its charter by the New York State Board of Regents, Democracy Prep Charter School 2 (“Democracy Prep 2”), a new charter school that will serve grades 6-8, will open in school building M092 (“M092”), located at 222 West 134 Street, Manhattan in Community School District 5 (“District 5”). Democracy Prep 2 will be co-located in M092 with P.S. 92 Mary McLeod Bethune (05M092 “P.S. 92”), Academy of Collaborative Education (05M344, “ACE”), and St. HOPE Leadership Academy Charter School (05M388, “St. HOPE Leadership”) in M092.

Pursuant to a plan to phase out and eventually close ACE, which was approved by the Panel for Educational Policy on January 26, 2010, ACE will begin phasing out one grade level per year. Grade 6 will be eliminated in 2010-2011, grade 7 will be eliminated in 2011-2012, and ACE will close in June 2013. Simultaneously, Democracy Prep 2 will open grade 6 at M092 in 2010-11 and will phase in one grade level per year until reaches its full 6-8 grade scale in 2012-13. At scale, Democracy Prep 2 will serve approximately 305-325 students. After the 2012-2013 school year, Democracy Prep 2 will be co-located with P.S. 92 and St. HOPE Leadership.

The 2008-2009 utilization rate of M092 was 84%, and its target capacity was 849. M092 has sufficient space for Democracy Prep 2, P.S. 92, ACE, and St. HOPE Leadership to serve students until the end of the 2012-2013 school year. M092 also has sufficient space for Democracy Prep 2, P.S. 92, and St. HOPE Leadership to operate at full organizational capacity in 2013-2014 and in subsequent school years.

The siting of Democracy Prep 2 in M092 with P.S. 92 and St. HOPE Leadership addresses the need to offer high quality middle school options to students in District 5.

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

The [Educational Impact Statement](http://schools.nyc.gov/AboutUs/leadership/PEP/publicnotice/Feb_2_to_Mar_19_2010) can be found on the Department of Education’s Web site: http://schools.nyc.gov/AboutUs/leadership/PEP/publicnotice/Feb_2_to_Mar_19_2010.

III. Submission of public comment.

Written comments can be sent to D05Proposals@schools.nyc.gov.

Oral comments can be left at 718-935-4415.

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.

March 9, 2010 at 6:00 p.m.
222 West 134 Street, Manhattan

There will be no question and answer period. Questions about the proposal can 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 PEP meeting at which the Board will vote on the proposed item.

March 23, 2010
6:00pm
The Michael J. Petrides School
715 Ocean Terrace, Staten Island