



Revised Notice
March 3, 2010

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Chancellor

Revised Educational Impact Statement

I. Description of the subject and purpose of the proposed item under consideration and identification of all substantial revisions to the item.

Based on the feedback from the community, the DOE has revised its original proposal to re-site both Bronx Haven High School (“Bronx Haven”) and the NYC Charter High School for Architecture, Engineering and Construction Industries (“AECI”) and co-locate both schools with Alfred E. Smith Career and Technical Education High School (07X600, “Alfred E. Smith”) in school building X600. The Educational Impact Statement for the original re-siting and co-location proposal was posted on the Department of Education’s (“DOE”) Web site on January 27, 2010.

After receiving comments from the public, the DOE has decided that rather than re-site and co-locate both Bronx Haven and AECI, only Bronx Haven will be co-located with Alfred E. Smith in the X600 building. Before the start of the 2010-2011 school year, Bronx Haven will move from its current location in school building X140, located at 916 Eagle Avenue, Bronx, in Community School District 8 (“District 8”) to school building X600 (hereinafter referred to as “X600”), located at 333 East 151 Street, Bronx, in Community District 7 (“District 7”). Bronx Haven and Alfred E. Smith will be co-located in X600.

Bronx Haven is a high performing transfer school that currently serves approximately 100 students in grades 9-12. Transfer schools are small, academically rigorous, diploma granting high schools designed to re-engage students who are over-age and under-credited or who have dropped out of high school. Interested students apply directly to the transfer school through its school-based process. The move of Bronx Haven to X600 will allow the school to grow to its intended size of 175-225.

In December 2009, the Department of Education (“DOE”) announced a proposal to phase-out and eventually close Alfred E. Smith and, on December 11, 2009, issued an Educational Impact Statement on the proposal. Subsequently, the DOE revised its proposal to phase-out and close Alfred E. Smith, announcing that instead of phasing out the school completely, the DOE would instead phase out only the school’s construction trades and architectural engineering (“CTE”) programs and retain its Automotive Technology CTE programs. On January 27, 2010, the DOE published a Revised Educational Impact Statement on the revised proposal. Because the DOE has revised its proposal to site both Bronx Haven and AECI in X600, the DOE has also issued a revised educational impact statement for the proposal to phase down Alfred E. Smith. After joint public hearings are held on both this proposal to re-

site and co-locate only Bronx Haven with Alfred E. Smith and the proposal to phase down Alfred E. Smith, the Panel for Educational Policy will vote on both revised proposals at its March 23, 2010 meeting.

The 2008-2009 target utilization rate of X600 was 75%, and its target capacity was 1,562. There is sufficient space in X600 for Bronx Haven and Alfred E. Smith's automotive technology program to operate at full organizational capacity after Alfred E. Smith's phase-down is complete. Moving Bronx Haven to X600 will allow the school to grow to its intended size so that it can continue to provide high quality transfer school options to students in the Bronx.

II. Summary of all public comments received following the initial public notice.

The DOE did not receive any comments regarding the original proposal to re-site Bronx Haven and AECI and co-locate both schools with Alfred E. Smith in school building X600.

In public comments regarding the original proposal to phase-out and close Alfred E. Smith and the revised proposal to phase down Alfred E. Smith, commentators expressed their concerns that AECI would not meet the student demand for a continued architecture program in X600 because it lacked the New York State Education Department certification that Alfred E. Smith's architecture program had obtained.

III. Information regarding where the full text of the revised item may be obtained.

The revised educational impact statement can be found on the DOE's Web site:

http://schools.nyc.gov/AboutUs/leadership/PEP/publicnotice/Proposals_March_Vote

Copies of the educational impact statement also may be obtained at Bronx Haven.

IV. Submission of public comment.

Written comments can be sent to HS.Proposals@schools.nyc.gov.

Oral comments can be left at 718-935-4414.

V. 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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VI. Date, time and place of joint public hearings for this proposal.

March 19, 2010 at 6:00 pm
333 East 151 Street, The Bronx

AND

March 22, 2010 at 6:00 p.m.
916 Eagle Avenue, Bronx

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.

VII. 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