Amended Notice
February 18, 2011

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Chancellor

The Proposed Phase-out of P.S. 30 (28Q030)

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

P.S. 30 Queens (28Q030, "P.S. 30") is an existing zoned elementary school located at 126-10 Bedell Street, Jamaica, NY, 11434, in Community School District 28, in Building Q030 ("Q030"). It currently serves students in kindergarten through fifth grade and offers a Pre-Kindergarten program. On December 16, 2010, the New York City Department of Education ("DOE") published an Educational Impact Statement ("EIS") describing a proposal to phase-out and eventually close P.S. 30 based on its poor performance and the DOE's assessment that the school lacks capacity to turn around quickly to better support student needs. On January 26, 2011, the DOE published an amended EIS, which corrects typographical and formatting errors, clarifies the methodology for calculating utilization rates, provides utilization rate data for the 2010-2011 school year, includes projected enrollment data for P.S. 30 and P.S. 354 for the next 5 years, and updates the projected enrollment ranges for P.S. 354, but which did not modify or revise the proposal itself. On January 28, 2011, the DOE published an amended EIS containing additional information about pre-kindergarten enrollment (but which did not modify or revise the proposal itself), and amended notices updating joint public hearing dates.

This third amended notice is to advise you that the joint public hearing at P.S. 30 has been rescheduled for Thursday, March 10, 2011, and that the Panel for Educational Policy will vote on this proposal on March 23, 2011.

If this proposal is approved, P.S. 30 would no longer admit Kindergarten students or offer grades one and two or its Pre-Kindergarten program after the conclusion of the 2010-2011 school year. Current students in grades two, three and four will continue to be served by P.S. 30 and will be supported as they progress toward completion of elementary school at P.S. 30 and apply to middle school via the District 28 Middle School Choice Process. Current students in grade five will be supported in using the District 28 Middle School Choice Process as anticipated. Current students in kindergarten and first grade will be supported in transitioning to a new zoned elementary school, P.S. 354 (27Q354, "P.S. 354") proposed in a separate EIS to be opened in building Q030 in September 2011. P.S. 30 will serve one grade less each subsequent year until it completes its phase out in June 2014. Students in grades K-2 would be served at P.S. 354, which would also offer a Pre-Kindergarten program, pending funding availability.

In 2009-2010, Q030 had a target capacity to serve 733 students, and the building enrolled 578 students in Pre-Kindergarten through fifth grade, yielding a target building utilization rate of 79%. The school currently enrolls 565 students in grades K-5 and offers 18 seats of a full-day Pre-Kindergarten program. The target building utilization rate for Q030 in the 2010-2011 school year is 80%, including pre-kindergarten. This means that the building is "under-utilized" and has

extra space to accommodate additional students.

As noted above, in a separate amended EIS also posted on January 26, 2011, the DOE is proposing the co-location of P.S. 354, a new zoned elementary school in Q030, which will serve grades K-5 when fully phased-in, as well as offer a Pre-Kindergarten program.

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

The amended EIS concerning the proposed phase-out of P.S. 30 can be found on the Department of Education's Web site:
http://schools.nyc.gov/AboutUs/leadership/PEP/publicnotice/2010-2011/Mar232011Proposals.htm

A copy of the amended EIS is also available in the main office at P.S. 30.

III. Submission of public comment.

Written comments can be sent to D28Proposals@schools.nyc.gov.

Oral comments can be left at 212-374-7621

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.

Name: Gentian Falstrom
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V. Date, time and place of joint public hearings for this proposal.

March 10, 2011
P.S. 30 Queens, 126-10 Bedell Street, Jamaica, NY 11434

Notification will be provided when a new date has been determined. Questions about the proposal should 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 Panel for Educational Policy meeting at which the Panel will vote on the proposed item.

March 23, 2011 at 6:00 p.m.
Brooklyn Technical High School
29 Fort Greene Place, Brooklyn, NY 11217