



**Department of
Education**

Dennis M. Walcott, Chancellor

Notice of Public Hearing for Charter School Renewal

- Date:** Wednesday, October 17, 2012
- Time:** Speaker Registration: 5:30 PM – 6:00 PM
Presentation, Comments, and Questions: 6:00 PM
- Location:** **George Washington High School Auditorium**
549 Audubon Ave.
NY, NY 10040
- Event :** This public hearing is open to anyone interested in learning about the proposed renewal of **The Equity Project (TEP) Charter School**.

Name of Charter School	The Equity Project (TEP) Charter School
Terms and Dates of School's Charter	January 15, 2008 – January 14, 2013
Current Grade(s) and Approved Enrollment	2012-13 Grades: 5 – 8, 480 students
Current Year of Operation	2012-2013: 4 th Year of Operation
District of Location	NYC CSD #6
School Summary	TEP is a 480 student 5 th through 8 th grade middle school in Washington Heights. TEP believes that teacher quality is the most important factor in achieving educational equity for low income students. Spurred by this belief, TEP reallocates its public funds by making an unprecedented investment in attracting and retaining great teachers. For more information about TEP, please visit www.tepcharter.org .

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 .

The DOE seeks comments from students, parents, and community members regarding this proposed charter school renewal. Speakers must register within 30 minutes of the hearing's start time.

Written comments will also be collected at the hearing, and can be emailed to the DOE at charterschools@schools.nyc.gov or faxed to 212-374-5761 within 48 hours after the hearing's close.

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 renewal proposal for a charter school.