



Notice
September 27, 2013

Dennis M. Walcott
Chancellor

Amended: The Proposed Co-location of Success Academy Charter School – New York 3 (84KTBD), with Existing School I.S. 096 Seth Low (21K096) in Building K096 Beginning in 2014-2015

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

The New York City Department of Education (“DOE”) is proposing to site Success Academy Charter School – New York 3 (84KTBD, “SA – New York 3”), a new public elementary charter school that will serve students in kindergarten through fourth grade, in building K096 (“K096”) located at 99 Avenue P, Brooklyn, NY 11204, in Community School District 21 (“District 21”). If this proposal is approved, SA – New York 3 will be co-located in K096 with I.S. 096 Seth Low (21K096, “I.S. 096”) beginning in 2014-2015. I.S. 096 is an existing district middle school that currently serves students in sixth through eighth grade. K096 also houses Beacon, a community-based organization (“CBO”), and a United Federation of Teachers (“UFT”) Center.

I.S. 096 enrolls students through the District 21 Middle School Choice Process via zoned and screened admissions methods, described in more detail below.

If this proposal is approved, SA – New York 3 will open in September 2014 serving 150-200 students in kindergarten and first grade and will add one grade each year until it serves students in grades kindergarten through four in the 2017-2018 school year. Although SA-New York 3 will be at full grade scale in terms of the grade levels it will serve in K096 in 2017-2018, it will not be at full scale for enrollment purposes until the 2018-2019 school year. At that point, SA – New York 3 is projected to reach stable enrollment and will serve approximately 450-600 students in kindergarten through fourth grade. The school will admit students via the charter lottery application process, with preference given to District 21 residents as described in more detail below.

SA – New York 3 will be operated by Success Academy Charter Schools (“SACS”), a charter management organization (“CMO”) that currently operates 18 public charter schools in New York City, including six new public elementary schools serving students for the first time in 2013-2014. The four SACS elementary schools that received a Progress Report for the 2011-2012 school year each received an overall grade of “A.”

SA – New York 3 has submitted a preliminary application for charter authorization from the State University of New York Trustees (“SUNY”) to serve students in kindergarten through fifth grades. This proposal deals only with the kindergarten through fourth grades of SACS. Any

future proposal to co-locate any other grade levels of SACS would be addressed in a separate EIS subject to another vote by the Panel for Educational Policy (“PEP”). The proposal to open and co-locate SA – New York 3 in K096 described in this Educational Impact Statement (“EIS”) is contingent upon SUNY’s approval of SA – New York 3’s application for charter authorization. Only SUNY has the authority to approve or deny SA – New York 3’s application for charter authorization. If SUNY does not approve SA – New York 3’s charter application, this proposal will be withdrawn. Should SUNY deny SA – New York 3’s application, the DOE may propose an alternate use of space in K096 that involves a significant change in school utilization, which would be the subject of a future EIS in accordance with Chancellor’s Regulation A-190. For the purposes of this proposal, it is assumed that SUNY will approve SA – New York 3’s application.

The DOE believes there is sufficient space in K096 to accommodate both I.S. 096 and SA – New York 3. In 2018-2019, once SA – New York 3 has completed its phase-in and reached stable enrollment in K096, it is projected that there will be approximately 1,110-1,290 students served in K096, thereby yielding an estimated utilization rate of 83%-96%. Please refer to the attached Building Utilization Plan (“BUP”) for a more detailed description of the available space in K096.

The amended joint public hearing notice corrects the date of the meeting at which the Panel for Educational Policy will vote on this proposal. This proposal will be voted on at the October 15, 2013 meeting of the Panel for Educational Policy. Details for this meeting’s time and location are included below. No changes have been made to the Educational Impact Statement (“EIS”). The Building Utilization Plan has been amended to clarify the start and ending times of I.S. 096’s extended school day schedule and correct the school’s current lunch time.

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

The EIS and Amended Building Utilization Plan (“Amended BUP”) can be found on the Department of Education’s Web site:
<http://schools.nyc.gov/AboutUs/leadership/PEP/publicnotice/2013-2014/Oct15SchoolProposals>.

Copies of the EIS and Amended BUP are also available in I.S. 96 Seth Low’s main office.

III. Submission of public comment.

Written comments can be sent to D21Proposals@schools.nyc.gov.

Oral comments can be left at 212-374-0208.

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 hearings for this proposal.

September 30, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.
K096
99 Avenue P
Brooklyn, NY 11204

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.

October 15, 2013 at 6:00 PM
Prospect Heights Campus
883 Classon Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11225