Notice
February 28, 2012

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Chancellor

The Proposed Re-siting and Co-location of Renaissance School of the Arts (04M377) with P.S. 155 William Paca (04M155) in Building M155 Beginning in the 2012-2013 School Year

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

The New York City Department of Education ("DOE") is proposing to re-site Renaissance School of the Arts (04M377, "Renaissance"), an existing district middle school that serves students in grades six through eight, to building M155 ("M155"), which is located at 319 East 117 Street, New York, NY 10035 in Manhattan's Community School District 4, beginning in the 2012-2013 school year. Renaissance would be co-located in M155 with P.S. 155 William Paca (04M155, "P.S. 155"), an existing zoned elementary school that serves students in kindergarten through fifth grades. Renaissance is currently located in building M099 ("M099") at 410 East 100 Street, New York, NY 10029 in Manhattan's Community School District 4. If this proposal is approved, Renaissance would be re-sited and co-located with P.S. 155 in M155 beginning in the 2012-2013 school year. A "co-location" means that two or more school organizations are located in the same building and may share common spaces like auditoriums, gymnasiums, and cafeterias.

Renaissance is currently co-located in M099 with M.S. 224 Manhattan East School for Arts & Academics (04M224, "Manhattan East"), an existing middle school that serves students in grades six through eight; Academy of Environmental Science Secondary High School (04M635, "AES"), an existing high school which currently serves students in grades ten through twelve; and The Renaissance Charter High School for Innovation (84M433, "Renaissance Charter HS"), an existing public charter high school that currently serves students in grades nine through ten. The phase-out of AES was approved by the Panel for Educational Policy ("PEP") on February 1, 2011. AES no longer admits new students and will close in June 2014. Renaissance Charter HS is currently phasing-in, adding a new grade of students each year until it reaches full scale and serves students in grades nine through twelve in the 2013-2014 school year.

M155 currently houses P.S. 155 and P169M@M155 (75M169, "P169M@M155"), one site of a multi-site District 75 school. On December 1, 2011, the DOE published a proposal to re-site P169M@M155 to building M488 ("M488"), located at 233 East 56th Street, New York, NY 10022, in Manhattan's Community School District 2, beginning in the 2012-2013 school year. The PEP voted to approve that proposal on January 18, 2012. This proposal to re-site Renaissance is contingent on P169M@M155's re-siting to M488. If for any reason

P169M@M155's resiting is delayed beyond the beginning of the 2012-2013 school year, the DOE would consider alternate options and address the re-siting in a new or revised proposal.

If this proposal is approved, Renaissance will be re-sited to M155 beginning in September 2012. As noted above, the DOE will re-locate the students at P169M@M155. Thus, there will be additional space available in the building in the 2012-2013 school year.

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

The Educational Impact Statement ("EIS") can be found on the Department of Education's Web site: http://schools.nyc.gov/AboutUs/leadership/PEP/publicnotice/2011-2012/April2012Proposals.

Copies of the EIS are also available in the main offices of Renaissance and P.S. 155.

III. Submission of public comment.

Written comments can be sent to D04Proposals@schools.nyc.gov.

Oral comments can be left at 212-374-3466.

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: Drew Patterson
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V. Date, time, and place of joint public hearings for this proposal.

March 29, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.
Building M155
319 East 117 Street
New York, NY 10035

April 5, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.
Building M099
410 East 100 Street
New York, NY 10029

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.

April 26, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.
Prospect Heights Campus
883 Classon Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11225