



Notice
March 5, 2012

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Chancellor

The Proposed Re-siting and Co-location of International High School at LaGuardia Community College (24Q530) with Existing School Middle College High School at LaGuardia Community College (24Q520) in Building Q520 Beginning in 2012-2013

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 International High School at LaGuardia Community College (24Q530, “International High School”), an existing high school that currently serves 492 students in grades nine through twelve. International High School is currently located in building Q530, a leased site on the campus of LaGuardia Community College at 31-10 Thompson Avenue, Long Island City, NY 11101 in Community School District 24 (“District 24”). If this proposal is approved, International High School will be re-sited to school building Q520 located at 45-35 Van Dam Street, Long Island City, NY 11101, in District 24, beginning in the 2012-2013 school year.

International High School opened in the 1999-2000 school year in a building on the campus of LaGuardia Community College under an informal agreement that was later formalized via a Memorandum of Understanding (“MOU”) with CUNY. Due to the construction of extensional seats in building Q520 as a result of a new DOE building extension built by the School Construction Authority (“SCA”), the DOE has identified a long-term site for International High School. Building Q520 is approximately 0.3 mile from the campus of LaGuardia Community College. If this proposal is approved, International High School will be “co-located” with the school organization currently housed in building Q520: Middle College High School at LaGuardia Community College (24Q520, “Middle College High School”), an existing high school that serves students in ninth through twelfth grades. 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.

During the 2012-2013 school year, the first year of the proposed co-location, International High School will serve students in grades nine through twelve, with a total enrollment of approximately 460-500 students. According to the 2010-2011 Enrollment, Capacity, Utilization Report (the “Blue Book”), prior to the new construction, building Q520 had a target capacity of 516 students. According to The Program of Requirements for the newly constructed extension, building Q520 now has a target capacity of 820 students. If this proposal to co-locate is approved, building Q520 will have a projected utilization rate of approximately 111-121%.

Both International High School and Middle College High School have educational models that provide students with the unique opportunity to enroll in college classes as part of their high school instructional program. When taking into consideration the fact that 45 students at International High School and 62 students at Middle College High School maintain a full college schedule and do not consistently require full use of the classrooms, the projected utilization rate of building Q520 would be approximately 98-107%.

I. 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 LaGuardia Community College and Middle College High School at LaGuardia Community College

II. Submission of public comment.

Written comments can be sent to D24Proposals@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: Emily Ades
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Address: 52 Chambers Street, New York, NY 10007
Email: D24Proposals@schools.nyc.gov
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V. Date, time and place of joint public hearings for this proposal.

Monday April 16, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.
Middle College High School at LaGuardia Community College
45-35 Van Dam Street
Long Island City, NY 11101

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 Ave
Brooklyn, NY 11225