



Notice
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Chancellor

The Proposed Re-siting of Innovation Diploma Plus (03M404) to Building M233 Beginning in 2013-2014

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 Innovation Diploma Plus (03M404, “Innovation”), an existing transfer school that serves students 16 years of age and older and organizes students by credit needs, not grade level. Innovation is currently located in building M470 (“M470”) at 145 West 84th Street, New York, NY 10024 within the geographical confines of Manhattan’s Community School District 3. If this proposal is approved, Innovation will be re-sited to building M233 (“M233”), which is located at 601 West 183rd Street, New York, NY 10033, within the geographical confines of Manhattan’s Community School District 6, beginning in the 2013-2014 school year.

Innovation is currently co-located in M470 with The Urban Assembly School for Green Careers (03M402), an existing career and technical high school that serves students in grades nine through twelve; The Global Learning Collaborative (03M403), an existing high school that serves students in grades nine through twelve; Frank McCourt High School (03M417, “Frank McCourt”), an existing high school that currently serves students in grades nine through eleven; and Success Academy Charter School – Upper West (84M523, “SA – Upper West”), an existing public charter elementary school that currently serves students in grades kindergarten through second. Frank McCourt and SA – Upper West are currently phasing in; Frank McCourt will serve its intended grade span of ninth through twelfth grades in the 2013-2014 school year, and SA – Upper West will serve its intended grade span of kindergarten through fifth grades in the 2015-2016 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.

Building M233 currently houses grades nine through twelve of Community Health Academy of the Heights (06M346, “CHAH”). CHAH is an existing limited unscreened district secondary school whose middle school grades, six through eight, are currently sited in building M859, which is located at 512 West 182nd Street, New York, NY 10033 within the geographical confines of Manhattan’s Community School District 6. In June 2009, the DOE announced that CHAH will move into new construction that can accommodate all of CHAH’s grades in one building. CHAH will move into the new

construction for the 2013-2014 school year, thereby creating space for Innovation to be re-sited to building M233 beginning in 2013-2014.

Innovation, a partnership between the New York City Department of Education and New Visions for Public Schools, opened in 2009 in M470 to serve over-age and under-credited students. Transfer high schools are designed to create a personalized learning environment and to provide students with connections to college. Each transfer school determines criteria for admission individually. Students graduate with a high school diploma from the transfer high school they attend. Many transfer schools include an engagement and support component called Learning to Work, an in-depth job readiness and career exploration program designed to enhance the academic component of transfer schools.

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/2012-2013/Dec2012Proposals.htm>

Copies of the EIS are also available in the main offices of the schools in the Louis D. Brandeis Educational Campus.

III. Submission of public comment.

Written comments can be sent to D03Proposals@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: Meera Jain
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Email: D03Proposals@schools.nyc.gov
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V. Date, time and place of joint public hearings for this proposal.

December 4, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.
Building M470
Louis D. Brandeis Educational Campus
45 West 84th Street
New York, NY 10024

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.

December 12, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.
The High School of Fashion Industries
225 West 24th Street
New York, NY 10011