Department of Education

Dennis M. Walcott, Chancellor

Notice of Public Hearing

Date: Wednesday, March 14, 2012

Time: Speaker Registration: 5:30 PM – 6:00 PM
Presentation, Comments, and Questions: 6:00 PM

Location: **Harlem Success Academy 4**
240 West 113th Street
New York, NY 10026

Event: This public hearing is open to anyone interested in learning about the following charter revisions for schools located in Community School District 3.

Upper West Success Academy Charter School

Name of Charter School	**Upper West Success Academy Charter School**
Terms and Dates of Charter	First Charter: 11/16/2010 – 11/15/2015
Current Grade(s) and Approved Enrollment	Fiscal Year 2011-2012: Grades: K-1: 188 students
Current Year of Operation	2011-2012: 1st Year of Operation
District of Location	NYC CSD 3
Proposed Charter Revision	The charter school education corporation proposes to change its corporate name to "Success Academy Charter School - Upper West" and to modify its at-risk design admissions factors to include a variable set-aside for English language learners ("ELLs"), which would be set at 20 percent of the incoming class for the 2012-13 school year, and thereafter be based on several factors including, but not limited to, an evaluation of the New York City School District's and the surrounding CSDs' ELL percentages, either current or from the previous school year, and/or an analysis of the ELL percentages of students enrolled at the school, with a view toward achieving ELL enrollment comparable to the enrollment figures for ELLs in the School District. The school would also eliminate its at-risk admissions priority for applicants attending failing schools.

This school is authorized by the SUNY Charter Schools Institute. More information can be accessed at: http://www.newyorkcharters.org/ .

Harlem Success Academy Charter School

Name of Charter School	**Harlem Success Academy Charter School**
Terms and Dates of Charter	Renewal Charter: 01/11/2011– 6/30/2015
Current Grade(s) and Approved Enrollment	Fiscal Year 2011-2012: Grades: K-6: 722 students
Current Year of Operation	2011-2012: 6th Year of Operation
District of Location	NYC CSD 3

Proposed Charter Revision	To change its name to "Success Academy Charter School – Harlem 1" To revise its Admissions Policy by offering priority in the following order (after returning students and siblings): 1. English Language Learners (“ELLs”) prioritizing in-district ELLs before out-of-district ELLs, where in-district means within the New York City Community School District (CSD) of the location of the charter school and out-of-district means outside of the CSD of the location of the charter school, 2. applicants who reside in-district, and 3. applicants who reside out-of-district. There will be a variable set-aside for English language learners ("ELLs"), which would be set at 20 percent of the incoming class for the 2012-2013 school year, and thereafter be based on several factors including, but not limited to, an evaluation of the New York City School District's and the surrounding CSDs' ELL percentages, either current or from the previous school year, and/or an analysis of the ELL percentages of students enrolled at the school, with a view toward achieving ELL enrollment comparable to the enrollment figures for ELLs in the School District. The school would also eliminate its current at-risk admissions priority for applicants attending failing schools.

This school is authorized by the NYSED Board of Regents. More information can be accessed at: http://www.p12.nysed.gov/psc/ .

Harlem Success Academy Charter School 4

Name of Charter School	**Harlem Success Academy Charter School 4**
Terms and Dates of Charter	First Charter: 3/11/2008 – 3/10/2013
Current Grade(s) and Approved Enrollment	Fiscal Year 2011-2012: Grades: K-4: 473 students
Current Year of Operation	2011-2012: 4th Year of Operation
District of Location	NYC CSD 3
Proposed Charter Revision	The charter school education corporation proposes to change its corporate name to "Success Academy Charter School - Harlem 4" and to modify its at-risk design admissions factors to include a variable set-aside for English language learners ("ELLs"), which would be set at 20 percent of the incoming class for the 2012-13 school year, and thereafter be based on several factors including, but not limited to, an evaluation of the New York City School District's and the surrounding CSDs' ELL percentages, either current or from the previous school year, and/or an analysis of the ELL percentages of students enrolled at the school, with a view toward achieving ELL enrollment comparable to the enrollment figures for ELLs in the School District. The school would also eliminate its at-risk admissions priority for applicants attending failing schools.

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Comments are welcome; speakers must register within 30 minutes of the hearing's start time. Written comments will also be collected on at the hearing or be submitted via email to: charterschools@schools.nyc.gov.

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 revision proposal for a charter school.