



Notice
September 21, 2012

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Chancellor

The Proposed Co-location of a New Public Charter School, Success Academy Charter School – Manhattan 2 (84MTBD), with Existing Schools Business of Sports School (02M393), Urban Assembly Gateway School for Technology (02M507), and High School of Graphic Communication Arts (02M625) in Building M625 in the 2013-2014 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 site the kindergarten through fifth grades of Success Academy Charter School – Manhattan 2 (84MTBD, “SA - Manhattan 2”) in building M625 (“M625”), located at 439 West 49th Street, New York, NY 10019 in Community School District 2. If this proposal is approved, SA - Manhattan 2 would open in September 2013 and would serve 164-210 students in kindergarten and first grade, and would add one grade each year until it reaches full scale in 2017-2018. At that time, SA - Manhattan 2 would serve approximately 412-528 students in kindergarten through fifth grade.

SA - Manhattan 2 would be co-located indefinitely in M625 with Business of Sports School (02M393, “BOSS”), an existing high school that serves students in grades nine through twelve; High School of Graphic Communication Arts (02M625, “Graphics”), an existing high school that serves students in grades nine through twelve and is gradually scaling back its enrollment; and Urban Assembly Gateway School for Technology (02M507, “Urban Assembly”), an existing high school that currently serves students in grades nine through ten and is in the process of phasing in, gradually growing to full scale as it adds a new grade of students annually. Urban Assembly will serve students in grades nine through twelve when it reaches full scale in 2014-2015. In addition, M625 houses an Alternate Learning Center (88M992, “ALC”), which provides an educational setting for students in grades nine through twelve who are on a Superintendent’s suspension for up to 90 days. Graphics, BOSS and Urban Assembly each admit students through the Citywide High School Admissions Process, and each offers CTE programs. Additional information about CTE programming and the High School Admissions Process are contained in Section III of the Educational Impact Statement (“EIS”). 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.

SA - Manhattan 2 is a new public charter school that is authorized by its charter authorizer, the State University of New York Charter Schools Institute (“SUNY”), to serve grades K-5. Success Academy Charter Schools (“SACS”) is a charter management organization that currently operates 12 public elementary charter schools in New York City. SACS has been authorized by SUNY to operate six new public elementary charter schools starting in 2013-2014, including SA - Manhattan 2. The four SACS elementary schools that received a progress report for the 2010-2011 school year each received an overall grade of A.

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

The Educational Impact Statement and Building Utilization Plan (“BUP”) can be found on the Department of Education’s Web site:

<http://schools.nyc.gov/AboutUs/leadership/PEP/publicnotice/2012-2013/Nov2012Proposals>

Copies of the EIS and BUP are also available in the main offices of High School for Graphic Communication Arts, Business of Sports School, and Urban Assembly Gateway School for Technology.

III. Submission of public comment.

Written comments can be sent to **D02Proposals@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: Jennifer Peng
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V. Date, time and place of joint public hearings for this proposal.

Friday, November 2 at 6:00 p.m.
M465
439 West 49th Street
New York, NY 10019

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.

November 8, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.

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35-12 35th Avenue
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