



Notice
January 11, 2013

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Chancellor

The Proposed Opening and Co-location of a New Elementary School (17K532) with Existing School P.S. 167 The Parkway (17K167) in Building K167 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 open and co-locate a new elementary school, 17K532 (“17K532”), that will serve students in kindergarten through fifth grade and offer two sections of full day pre-kindergarten in building K167 (“K167”) located at 1025 Eastern Parkway, Brooklyn, NY, 11213, in Community School District 17 (“District 17”). If this proposal is approved, 17K532 will be co-located in K167 with P.S. 167 The Parkway (17K167, “P.S. 167”), an existing elementary school that currently serves students in kindergarten through fifth grade and offers two sections of full day pre-kindergarten. If this proposal is approved, 17K532 will begin enrolling kindergarten through second grade students in 2013-2014 and will add one grade per year until it is at full scale and serves students in kindergarten through fifth grade in 2016-2017. 17K532 will also offer a pre-kindergarten program beginning in 2013-2014. K167 also houses a community-based organization (“CBO”), Brooklyn Psychotherapy, which operates a school-based mental health clinic, and a United Federation of Teachers (“UFT”) office.

In a separate Educational Impact Statement (“EIS”) also posted on January 11, 2013, the DOE has proposed to gradually phase-out and eventually close P.S. 167 because of its low performance and inability to improve quickly to better support student needs. The EIS describing that proposal can be found here:

<http://schools.nyc.gov/AboutUs/leadership/PEP/publicnotice/2012-2013/Mar112013Proposals.htm>. If the phase-out proposal is approved, P.S. 167 will no longer

admit new kindergarten students, will no longer offer first or second grade, and will no longer offer its pre-kindergarten program after the 2012-2013 school year. Therefore, in 2013-2014, P.S. 167 will serve only third-, fourth-, and fifth-grade students. P.S. 167 will subsequently phase out one grade each year until it completes its phase-out and closes in June 2016.

For the purposes of this EIS describing the proposal to open and co-locate 17K532, it is assumed that the proposal to phase out P.S. 167 will be approved by the Panel for Educational Policy (“PEP”). If the proposal to phase out P.S. 167 is not approved, the DOE will not open 17K532.

If this proposal is approved, 17K532 will serve the 17K167 zone, admitting students based upon standard zoned admissions priorities as described in Chancellor's Regulation A-101, offering priority to students residing in the current P.S. 167 zone. A student's zoned school is determined by his or her home address. For more information about school zoning and admissions processes to enroll in a zoned elementary school, please visit the DOE Web site: <http://schools.nyc.gov/choicesenrollment/elementary>.

According to the 2011-2012 Enrollment, Capacity, Utilization Report ("Blue Book"), K167 has a target capacity of 785 students, but in 2012-2013 the building is serving 451 students, yielding a building utilization rate of 57%. This means that the building is "underutilized" and has space to accommodate additional students. In 2016-2017, once P.S. 167 has completed its phase-out and 17K532 is at full scale, it is projected that there will be approximately 431-491 students served in K167, thereby yielding an estimated building utilization rate of approximately 55%-63%. If both this proposal and the proposal to phase-out P.S. 167 are approved, 17K532 will replace the elementary school seats that will be lost as a result of the phase-out and eventual closure of P.S. 167 and will provide a new educational option for families in District 17.

Background on the DOE's Decision-Making Process

The DOE has provided more detail on the decision to phase-out and close P.S. 167 in a separate EIS, which can be found on the DOE's Website at: <http://schools.nyc.gov/AboutUs/leadership/PEP/publicnotice/2012-2013/Mar112013Proposals.htm>.

The DOE strives to ensure that all students in New York City have access to a high quality school at every stage of their education. The opening and co-location of 17K532 in building K167 is intended to provide an additional option to students and families in District 17 and Brooklyn.

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/Mar112013Proposals.htm>

Copies of the EIS are also available in P.S. 167's main office.

III. Submission of public comment.

Written comments can be sent to D17Proposals@schools.nyc.gov

Oral comments can be left at 212-374-0208.

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: Savita Iyengar
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V. Date, time and place of joint public hearings for this proposal.

Wednesday, February 13, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.
P.S. 167
1025 Eastern Parkway
Brooklyn, NY 11213

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.

VII. Date, time and place of the Panel for Educational Policy meeting at which the Panel will vote on the proposed item.

March 11, 2013 at 6:00pm

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29 Fort Greene Pl
Brooklyn, NY 11217