



Notice
January 14, 2013

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Chancellor

The Proposed Opening and Co-location of a New District High School 22K611 (22K611) and a New Transfer School (22K630) with Sheepshead Bay High School (22K495), P881K@K495 (75K881), New Visions Charter High School for Applied Math and Science III (84KTBD), and New Visions Charter High School for the Humanities III (84KTBD) in School Building K495, 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 22K611 (“22K611”), a new district high school, and 22K630 (“22K630”), a new transfer high school, in building K495 (“K495”), beginning in the 2013-2014 school year. K495 is located at 3000 Avenue X Brooklyn, NY 11235, within the geographical confines of Community School District 22 (“District 22”). 22K611 would offer a rigorous academic program that will prepare students for post-secondary education and work. 22K630 would also provide a rigorous and engaging academic curriculum and would prepare students for post-secondary education and work. Transfer schools are small, academically rigorous high schools designed to reengage over-age, under-credited students. If this proposal and the corresponding proposals (described below) are approved, 22K611 and 22K630 will be co-located with Sheepshead Bay High School (22K495, “Sheepshead Bay”); one site of a multi-sited District 75 (“D75”) inclusion program, P811K@K495 (75K811, “P811K@K495”); New Visions Charter High School for Applied Math and Science III (84KTBD, “AMS III”); and New Visions Charter High School for the Humanities (84KTBD, “HUM III”). In addition, K495 houses four Community Based Organizations (“CBOs”): City Year, Counseling in Schools, Diplomas Now, and a Relationship Abuse Prevention Program (“RAPP”).

In a separate Educational Impact Statement (“EIS”), also posted on January 14, 2013, the DOE proposed to phase out and eventually close Sheepshead Bay after an extensive review of data and community feedback indicating that the school is unable to turn around despite numerous efforts to improve instruction and school organization. If the proposal to phase out Sheepshead Bay is approved, the school will no longer admit new ninth-grade students after the end of this school year. However, Sheepshead Bay will continue to serve students currently enrolled in the school. Sheepshead Bay’s enrollment will decrease gradually over the next three years, and the school will complete phasing out in June 2016. This EIS can be accessed on the DOE’s Web site at <http://schools.nyc.gov/AboutUs/leadership/PEP/publicnotice/2012-2013/Mar112013Proposals.htm>.

In a separate EIS, the DOE is also proposing to open and co-locate two new charter high schools operated by the New Visions charter management organization, AMS III and HUM III, in building K495 beginning in 2013-2014. If that proposal is approved, 22K611 and 22K630 will also be co-located in building K495 with AMS III and HUM III throughout the course of their phase-in and thereafter. AMS III and HUM III will both be open to students through a charter lottery application process and students who reside in District 22 will receive priority in the lottery. Both AMS III and HUM III will also offer a rigorous academic program with a CTE component. The EIS and Building Utilization Plan (“BUP”) describing the AMS III and HUM III co-location proposal can be found on the DOE’s Web site at:

<http://schools.nyc.gov/AboutUs/leadership/PEP/publicnotice/2012-2013/Mar112013Proposals.htm>.

The proposed opening and co-location of 22K611 and 22K630 in K495 is part of the DOE’s central goal to create new school options that will better serve future students and the community at large. 22K611 and 22K630 will each offer a rigorous academic program. 22K611 will be open to students through the Citywide High School Admissions Process and will have a limited unscreened selection method with admissions priority given to students residing in Brooklyn. 22K630 will have a rolling admissions policy, accepting students throughout the year who are 15 years of age and older and who have attended another New York City high school for at least one year. Please refer to Section III.A of the EIS describing this proposal for additional information about the schools’ admissions processes.

According to the 2011-2012 Enrollment, Capacity, Utilization Report (“Blue Book”), K495 has a target capacity of 2,430 students, but the building is serving only 1,736 students, yielding a building utilization rate of 71%.

If this proposal is approved, the new schools will open during the 2013-2014 school year. 22K611 will serve approximately 105-115 students in the ninth grade, and will gradually phase in by adding one grade per year. The school is expected to reach full scale in 2016-2017, when it will serve approximately 420-460 students in grades nine through twelve. 22K630 will serve approximately 130-170 students in grades nine through twelve during the 2013-2014 school year. In the two subsequent years, the school will enroll approximately 50 additional students. 22K630 is expected to reach full scale in terms of enrollment in 2015-2016, when it will serve approximately 230-270 students in grades nine through twelve.

In 2017-2018, once Sheepshead Bay has completed its phase-out and 22K611, 22K630, AMS III, and HUM III have reached full scale in terms of enrollment, it is projected that there will be approximately 1,685-2,025 students served in K495, thereby yielding an estimated utilization rate of approximately 69%-83%.

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

The 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 the main offices of Sheepshead Bay High School and P811K@K495.

III. Submission of public comment.

Written comments can be sent to D22Proposals@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.

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

February 20, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.
Sheepshead Bay High School
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Brooklyn, NY 11235

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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