



Notice
November 29, 2012

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Chancellor

The Proposed Co-location of Grades Six Through Eight of Harlem Prep Charter School (84M708) with Existing School P.S. 38 Roberto Clemente in Building M121 Beginning in the 2014-2015 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 co-locate grades six through eight of an existing public charter school, Harlem Prep Charter School (84M708, “Harlem Prep”), in building M121 (“M121”) located at 232 East 103 Street, Manhattan, NY 10029, in Community School District 4 (“CSD 4”) with existing school P.S. 38 Roberto Clemente (04M038, “P.S. 38”) beginning in the 2014-2015 school year.

In the 2012-2013 school year, Harlem Prep serves 480 students across two sites: 320 students in kindergarten through fourth grade are served in a private facility, building M174 (“M174”), located at 240 East 123rd Street, New York, NY 10035 in CSD 4; and 160 students in fifth and sixth grade are served in building M099 (“M099”), located at 410 East 100 Street, New York, NY, 10029 in CSD 4. Harlem Prep’s charter authorizer, the State University of New York (“SUNY”), has approved the school to expand to serve students in kindergarten through eighth grade. A proposal previously approved by the Panel for Educational Policy (“PEP”) on April 26, 2012 described a plan for the two-year temporary co-location of multiple grades of Harlem Prep in M099. In the current, 2012-2013 school year, Harlem Prep serves students in fifth and sixth grade in M099. In the 2013-2014 school year, the students currently served by Harlem Prep in M099 will continue in the building as sixth and seventh grade students. Harlem Prep is projected to serve 194-226 students in M099 in the 2013-2014 school year.

If this proposal is approved by the PEP, the sixth through eighth grades of Harlem Prep will be co-located in M121 with P.S. 38, an existing zoned elementary school that currently serves students in kindergarten through fifth grade and offers two sections of full-day pre-kindergarten.

In the current, 2012-2013 school year, P.S. 38 is co-located with DREAM Charter School (84M382, “DREAM”), an existing charter elementary school that currently serves students in kindergarten through fifth grade. In the 2013-2014 school year, DREAM will expand to serve students in kindergarten through sixth grade. DREAM will re-locate to a private facility at the conclusion of the 2013-2014 school year, creating space in M121. If DREAM is unable to move into its private facility at the end of the 2013-2014 school year as planned, DREAM will explore options to serve its students in a temporary space.

Harlem Prep admits students at all grade levels, depending on availability of seats, through a lottery and gives preference first to returning students, second to siblings of students currently enrolled in Harlem Prep and then to students residing in CSD 4. Additional information about Harlem Prep’s lottery and preferences is contained in Section III.A.

Building M121 has a target capacity to serve 465 students. In the 2012-2013 school year, M121 serves a total of 584 students, resulting in a utilization rate of 126%. In 2013-2014, building M121 will serve a total of 596-726 students, resulting in a projected utilization rate of 128% - 156%. In 2014-2015, when DREAM has moved to its private facility and Harlem Prep begins its co-location, M121 would serve approximately 559-694 students, yielding a total utilization rate of 120%-149%. As discussed in Section

III.B, and in the attached BUP, while the current and anticipated utilization rates are in excess of 100%, all schools would receive at least the baseline allocation of space needed to meet their instructional needs . Thus, the building has space to accommodate P.S. 38 and Harlem Prep's sixth through eighth grades.

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

The Educational Impact Statement ("EIS") 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/Jan2013Proposals.htm>

Copies of the EIS are and BUP also available in P.S. 38 and DREAM's main offices.

III. Submission of public comment.

Written comments can be sent to D04Proposals@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.

January 8, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.
Building M121
232 East 103 Street
Manhattan, NY 10029

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. Should inclement weather or other unforeseen event or emergency prevent the [First JPH Date] hearing from taking place, the joint public hearing would take place (as feasible) on the alternate schedule noted directly below.

Alternate Date: January 11, 2013
Alternate Time: 6:00 PM
Alternate Where: Building M121
232 East 103 Street
Manhattan, NY 10029

Please reserve both the original scheduled and alternate dates, times, and locations in your calendars. Should the hearing scheduled for January 8 or the alternate date of January 11 require rescheduling to accommodate the needs of the impacted School Leadership Teams and Community and/or Citywide Education Councils, the DOE will post notice here:

<http://schools.nyc.gov/AboutUs/leadership/PEP/publicnotice/2012-2013/Jan2013Proposals.htm>

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

January 16, 2013 at 6:00 PM

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