



**Notice**  
November 29, 2012

**Dennis M. Walcott**  
*Chancellor*

## **The Proposed Temporary Siting and Co-location of New School 15KTBD with Existing Schools I.S. 136 Charles O. Dewey (15K136) and Sunset Park Preparatory (15K821) in Building K136 for 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 and co-locate one grade of New School 15KTBD (“15KTBD”), a new unzoned elementary school that will serve kindergarten through fifth grade when it reaches full scale, in Building K136 (“K136”), located at 4004 4th Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11232, in Community School District 15 (“District 15”), for the 2013-2014 school year. 15KTBD would be co-located with I.S. 136 Charles O. Dewey (15K136, “I.S. 136”), an existing screened middle school that serves sixth through eighth grades, and Sunset Park Preparatory (15K821, “Sunset Park Prep”), an existing screened middle school that serves sixth through eighth grades. 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. K136 also houses one community-based organization, The Center for Family Life, which provides programming during the school day and after school to I.S. 136 and Sunset Park Prep.

15KTBD is a new unzoned elementary school that will open in September 2013, and, during the 2013-2014 school year, will serve kindergarten students who are overflowed from their zoned schools in the Sunset Park neighborhood. The K136 building will be used to incubate 15KTBD until 2014-2015, when the school can be re-sited to its long term location, building K333 (“K333”). K333 is a leased space that is currently undergoing upgrade and renovation in preparation for long-term DOE occupancy. K333 is located at 4222 4th Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11232, approximately 0.1 miles away from K136.

Due to overcrowding in the Sunset Park area of District 15, many zoned schools have found it necessary to divert incoming kindergarten students and offer them an alternative placement at other schools within the district. As a result of this overcrowding, in June 2012 there were 115 waitlisted kindergarten students in Sunset Park.

If this proposal to site and co-locate 15KTBD with I.S. 136 and Sunset Park Prep is approved, 15KTBD will open in 2013-2014 to serve kindergarten students in K136. The DOE intends to re-site 15KTBD to its long term location, K333, within District 15 in the 2014-2015 school year. The school will serve kindergarten and first grade in K333 during the 2014-2015 school year,

and will continue to add an additional grade each year until 2018-2019, when it reaches full scale and serves kindergarten through fifth grade in K333. If re-siting 15KTBD to K333 is not feasible for any reason, the DOE will re-assess the space at K136 and, if appropriate, may extend the co-location, or propose an alternative siting plan. The DOE would issue a separate Educational Impact Statement (“EIS”) describing any alternate plan for 15KTBD.

According to the 2011-2012 Enrollment Capacity Utilization Report (the “Blue Book”), K136 has the capacity to serve 1,211 students. In 2012-2013, I.S. 136 has an enrollment of 451 students and Sunset Park Prep has an enrollment of 515 students, for a total of 966 students in K136. This yields a building utilization rate of approximately 80%. This means that the building is “underutilized” and has space to accommodate additional students. In 2013-2014, I.S. 136 is projected to serve 400-430 students, Sunset Park Prep is projected to serve 515-545, and 15KTBD is projected to serve 65-75 students, yielding an estimated utilization rate of 81% - 87%. If this proposal is approved, there will be sufficient space in K136 to accommodate 15KTBD as well as I.S. 136 and Sunset Park Prep.

## **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/Jan2013Proposals.htm>.

Copies of the EIS are also available in the main offices of I.S. 136 and Sunset Park Prep.

## **III. Submission of public comment.**

Written comments can be sent to [D15Proposals@schools.nyc.gov](mailto:D15Proposals@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.**

January 9, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.  
K136 Building  
4004 4th Avenue  
Brooklyn, NY 11232

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 January 9, 2013 hearing from taking place, the joint public hearing would take place (as feasible) on the alternate schedule noted directly below.**

**Alternate Date:** January 10, 2013  
**Alternate Time:** 6:00 PM  
**Alternate Where:** K136, 4004 4th Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11232

Please reserve both the original scheduled and alternate dates, times, and locations in your calendars. Should the hearing scheduled for January 9, 2013 or the alternate date of January 10, 2013 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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225 West 24th Street  
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