



Notice
December 17, 2010

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Chancellor

The Proposed Co-location of a New School P.S. 325 (19K325) with P.S. 260 Breuckelen (19K260) in School Building K260

I. Description of the subject and purpose of the proposed item under consideration.

The New York City Department of Education (“DOE”) proposes to site a new zoned elementary school, 19K325 (“19K325”), at 87 Williams Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11207, in Community School District 19, in Building K260 (“K260”). If this proposal is approved, 19K325 would be co-located with an existing elementary school, P.S. 260 Breuckelen (19K260, “P.S. 260”), as P.S. 260 phases out. P.S. 260 is an existing zoned elementary school that currently serves grades Kindergarten through 6, and it offers a full day Pre-Kindergarten program. 19K325 would be a new DOE zoned elementary school that would serve grades Kindergarten through 5, and would serve the same zone area that P.S. 260 currently serves. Pending funding availability, the new elementary school would also offer a Pre-Kindergarten program beginning in 2011-2012.

In a separate Educational Impact Statement (“EIS”) that was published on December 17, 2010, the DOE proposed to gradually phase out and eventually close P.S. 260 because of its low performance. If that proposal is approved, P.S. 260 would no longer serve Kindergarten students or offer grades one, two or six after the conclusion of the 2010-2011 school year. Nor would it offer a Pre-Kindergarten program after the conclusion of the 2010-2011 school year. All current Kindergarten and first grade students in P.S. 260 would be guaranteed a seat at 19K325 to be opened in K260 in September 2011. All current fifth grade students would continue to participate in the District 19 Middle School Choice process and enroll in sixth grade at a choice middle school or his or her zoned middle school. Students who reside in the P.S. 260 zone are zoned to I.S. 68 Isaac Bildersee (18K068) or J.H.S. 166 George Gershwin (19K166) for middle school. Current sixth graders are guaranteed a seventh grade seat at his or her zoned middle school.

19K325 would open in K260 as a zoned elementary school in the 2011-2012 school year, when it would serve approximately 40 students in Kindergarten, approximately 40 students in first grade, and approximately 50 students in second grade. 19K325 would then grow to serve 50 third grade students in the 2012-2013 school year and 50 fourth graders in the 2013-2014 school year. 19K325 is expected to reach full scale in 2014-2015 and would serve approximately 250-300 students in Kindergarten through fifth grade and serve the same zone area as P.S. 260. Pending funding availability, this school may also offer a Pre-Kindergarten program beginning in 2011-2012. Enrollment policy for Pre-Kindergarten admissions would remain the same. Younger siblings of zoned students already enrolled in P.S. 260 or 19K325 would get first preference into Pre-Kindergarten admissions. Siblings from outside the zone would receive second preference.

19K325 would be “co-located” with P.S. 260 as P.S. 260 phases out. 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. Once 19K325 has completed its expansion and P.S. 260 has completed its phase-out, there would be approximately 250-300 students served in the building.

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/2010-2011/Feb32011Proposals>

Copies of the EIS are also available in the main office at P.S. 260.

III. Submission of public comment.

Written comments can be sent to D19Proposals@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: Gentian Falstrom
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V. Date, time and place of joint public hearings for this proposal.

January 25, 2011 at 6:00 p.m.
P.S. 260 Breuckelen
875 Williams Avenue,
Brooklyn, NY 11207

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. Interpretation services will be provided in Spanish. To request services for another language, please contact Ms. Falstrom at the e-mail address or phone number above.

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

February 3, 2011 at 6:00 p.m.
Brooklyn Technical High School
29 Fort Greene Place
Brooklyn, NY 11217