



Notice
December 20, 2010

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Chancellor

The Proposed Re-siting and Co-location of Brooklyn East Collegiate Charter School (84K780) with Existing Schools P.S. 9 (13K009) and M.S. 571 (13K571) in Building K009

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

The New York City Department of Education (“DOE”) is proposing to re-site Brooklyn East Collegiate Charter School (84K780, “Brooklyn East Collegiate”), an existing public charter school that serves 80 students in fifth grade currently located at 1485 Pacific Street, Brooklyn, NY 11216 in Community School District 17 to Building K009 (“K009”), located at 80 Underhill Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11238, in Community School District 13. Brooklyn East Collegiate would be co-located in K009 with an existing DOE zoned K-5 elementary school, P.S. 9 Teunis Bergen (13K009, “P.S. 9”) that also offers 3 sections of a Pre-Kindergarten program, and an existing DOE middle school that serves grades six through eight, M.S. 571 The Bergen Upper School (13K571, “M.S. 571”). 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.

In a separate Educational Impact Statement (“EIS”) published on December 20, 2010, the DOE has proposed to gradually phase out M.S. 571 because of its low performance and inability to turn around quickly to better support student needs.

M.S. 571 admits students in the sixth grade through the District 13 Middle School Choice application process and is a district choice middle school. If the proposal to phase out M.S. 571 is approved, M.S. 571 would no longer admit sixth grade students after the conclusion of the 2010-2011 school year. One grade would then be phased out per year. During the 2011-2012 school year, M.S. 571 would serve students in grades seven and eight. In 2012-2013, M.S. 571 would serve students in eighth grade only. The school would close after June 2013.

P.S. 9 is a zoned district elementary school and serves 544 students in grades Kindergarten through fifth grade and also offers 3 sections of a Pre-Kindergarten program.

Brooklyn East Collegiate is an existing public charter school that currently serves students in the fifth grade at its temporary location. Brooklyn East Collegiate was not intended to remain in its current location as a permanent siting, and the current location does not have adequate space to allow for Brooklyn East Collegiate to grow to scale. If this proposal is approved, Brooklyn East Collegiate’s current fifth grade will be re-sited to K009 and, beginning in the 2011-2012 school year, Brooklyn East Collegiate will expand to serve approximately 80 students in sixth grade in K009. In 2012-13, Brooklyn East Collegiate would expand to serve approximately 80 students in seventh grade. In 2013-14, the final year of the phase-in, Brooklyn East Collegiate would expand to serve approximately 80 students in eighth grade. In 2013-14, when Brooklyn East Collegiate

completes its expansion and achieves full scale, it will serve approximately 300-350 fifth-through eighth-grade students in K009.

Brooklyn East Collegiate would be “co-located” with P.S. 9 and M.S. 571 as M.S. 571 phases out and as Brooklyn East Collegiate phases in. Once Brooklyn East Collegiate has completed its expansion and M.S.571 has completed its phase-out, there will be approximately 950-1,000 students served in the building by both P.S. 9 and Brooklyn East Collegiate, yielding a target building utilization rate of 84%.

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

The Educational Impact Statement 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 offices of M.S. 571, P.S. 9, and Brooklyn East Collegiate.

III. Submission of public comment.

Written comments can be sent to D13Proposals@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 24, 2011 at 6:00 p.m.

M.S. 571

80 Underhill Avenue

Brooklyn, NY 11238

Questions about the proposal can 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. To request interpretation services, please contact Ms. Falstrom at the e-mail address or telephone 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