



**Amended Notice**  
January 24, 2011

**Cathleen P. Black**  
*Chancellor*

## **The Proposed Phase-out of P.S. 260 Breuckelen (19K260)**

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

P.S. 260 Breuckelen (19K260, “P.S. 260”) is a zoned elementary school located at 875 Williams Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11207, in Community School District 19, in Building K260 (“K260”). It currently serves students in Kindergarten through sixth grade, and it offers a full-day pre-Kindergarten program. On December 17, 2010, the New York City Department of Education (“DOE”) published an Educational Impact Statement (“EIS”) proposing to phase out and eventually close P.S. 260 based on its poor performance and the DOE’s assessment that the school lacks capacity to turn around quickly to better support student needs. This EIS has been amended to correct typographical errors and the projected enrollment ranges, clarify footnotes related to the building utilization rates and capacity, include 2010-2011 unaudited register data, additional information related to charter school options, update certain past strategic improvement efforts directed to P.S. 260, and delete redundant paragraphs.

If approved, P.S. 260 would no longer admit Kindergarten students or offer grades one, two or six after the conclusion of the 2010-2011 school year. It would also not offer a pre-Kindergarten program after the conclusion of the 2010-2011 school year. Current students in grades two, three and four will continue to be served by P.S. 260 as they progress toward completion of elementary school at P.S. 260 and as fifth graders would participate in the District 19 Middle School Choice Process to enroll in middle school or his or her zoned middle school. Current fifth grade students would participate in the District 19 Middle School Choice process consistent with current practice or plan to enroll in his or her zoned middle school, which is either I.S. 68 Isaac Bildersee (18K068, “I.S. 68”) or J.H.S. 166 George Gershwin (19K166, “J.H.S. 166”). Current sixth graders are guaranteed a seventh grade seat at his or her zoned middle school.

Beginning in the 2010-2011 school year, after Kindergarten, first grade, and second grade are phased out, P.S. 260 will serve one grade less each subsequent year until it completes its phase-out in June 2014. Kindergarten and first grade students in P.S. 260 would be guaranteed a seat in a new zoned elementary school, P.S. 325 (19K325, “P.S. 325”) to be opened in K260, which is proposed in a separate EIS that was published on December 17, 2010. Pending funding availability, a pre-Kindergarten program would also be offered by P.S. 325 in K260. P.S. 325 would serve students residing in the P.S. 260 zone in Kindergarten through fifth grade when fully phased-in. In 2009-2010, K260 had a target capacity of 403 students, and the building enrolled 362 students, yielding a target building utilization rate of 90%. This EIS has also been amended to correct typographical errors and the projected enrollment ranges, clarify footnotes related to the building utilization rates and capacity, include 2010-2011 unaudited register data,

additional information related to charter school options, and delete redundant paragraphs.

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

The amended 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>

A copy of the amended EIS is also available in the main office of P.S. 260.

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

Written comments can be sent to [D19Proposals@schools.nyc.gov](mailto: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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Email: [D19Proposals@schools.nyc.gov](mailto:D19Proposals@schools.nyc.gov)  
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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 in another language, 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