



Notice
October 9, 2014

The Proposed Re-siting and Co-location of a Portion of P.S. 130 The Parkside (15K130) with a New District Middle School (15KTBD) and a District 75 Program (75K053) in New Building K437 Beginning in the 2015-2016 School Year

I. Description of the subject, purpose and substance of the proposal.

District 15 is currently one of the fastest growing Community School Districts in Brooklyn and is in need of additional seats across grade levels. The purpose of this proposal is to address this need by relocating the third through fifth grades of P.S. 130 The Parkside (“P.S. 130”) to space that has become available in building K437 (“K437”), a new building located 0.2 miles from P.S. 130’s current location. This proposal also involves the co-location of P.S. 130’s third through fifth grades at K437 with a new middle school and a new site of a District 75 school organization beginning in September 2015. This partial re-siting and co-location—together with a related re-zoning proposal that expands P.S. 130’s zone while reducing the zones of two neighboring elementary schools P.S. 131 Brooklyn and P.S. 154 The Windsor Terrace School—will add approximately 510-540 additional elementary school seats and approximately 315-345 additional middle school seats to District 15. The proposal will also reduce overcrowding at P.S. 130, P.S. 131 and P.S. 154 thereby improving learning conditions at all three elementary schools. The sections below provide more detail on this partial re-siting and co-location as well as some information regarding the re-zoning.

P.S. 130 is an existing zoned elementary school located in building K130 (“K130”) at 70 Ocean Parkway, Brooklyn, NY 11218, also in District 15. P.S. 130 currently serves students in kindergarten through fifth grades and offers a pre-kindergarten program with one full-day section and two half-day sections. The New York City Department of Education (“DOE”) is proposing to re-site¹ and co-locate a portion of P.S. 130 in K437, located at 701 Caton Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11218 in District 15 to K437. If this proposal is approved, grades three through five of P.S. 130 will be re-sited to K437 and co-located there with a new site of an existing District 75 (“D75”) program (75K053, “P053K@K437”) and a new middle school (“15KTBD”) that will phase in over a three-year period. Additionally, if this proposal is approved, P.S. 130 will be able to increase its enrollment as a result of adding the new capacity in K437 to its current capacity in K130.

In November 2014, the District 15 Community Education Council (“CEC 15”) is expected to vote on a plan to increase P.S. 130’s elementary school zone size within the geographical confines of District 15. This re-zoning is intended to increase P.S. 130’s enrollment in order to

fully utilize the school's increased capacity that would result from this re-siting proposal and alleviate overcrowding at neighboring schools. The re-zoning also includes P.S. 131 Brooklyn, P.S. 230 Doris L. Cohen, and P.S. 154 The Windsor Terrace School. Although the re-zoning will be voted upon by CEC 15, implementation of the re-zoning is contingent upon the approval of this proposal by the Panel for Educational Policy ("PEP"). In other words, should the PEP not approve this proposal, the re-zoning proposal will not take effect. If CEC 15 does not approve the proposed re-zoning scenario, DOE will reassess this proposal and may propose an alternate use of space in K437 which may be the subject of a future Educational Impact Statement ("EIS") in accordance with Chancellor's Regulation A-190. For the purposes of this proposal it is assumed that CEC 15 will approve the proposed re-zoning.

K437 is a new building currently under construction by the School Construction Authority ("SCA"), and construction is anticipated to be completed by September 2015. This new building is located approximately 0.2 miles from building K130. Although the two buildings are in close proximity to one another, students do not need to travel back and forth between buildings during the school day since both buildings will have sufficient space for students' daily instructional needs. However, programming is ultimately at the P.S. 130 leadership's discretion. The new building is also planned for a new middle school and for a D75 program. If this proposal is approved, grades three through five of P.S. 130 are expected to be re-sited to K437, where they will be co-located with 15KTBD and P053K@K437. In the event that the building is not ready for school use by the 2015-2016 school year DOE will reassess this proposal and may propose an alternative, which may be the subject of a future EIS in accordance with Chancellor's Regulation A-190.

K437 will have an estimated capacity of 757 seats. If this proposal is approved, in 2015-2016, K437 is expected to house P.S. 130's third through fifth grades, the sixth grade of 15KTBD, and P053K@K437. In 2015-2016, it will have an estimated building utilization rate of 63% - 69%.² In the 2017-2018 school year, when 15KTBD reaches full scale, K437's estimated building utilization rate will be 94% -103%. Once P.S. 130 is at a larger, stable enrollment in 2020-2021, K437 is expected to have an estimated building utilization rate of 116%-125%.

According to the 2013-2014 Enrollment, Capacity, Utilization Report ("Blue Book"), K130 has a target capacity of 504 students. (The concept of "target capacity" is explained in Section II of the EIS. During the 2014-2015 school year, K130 has an approximate building utilization rate of 141%. In the 2015-2016 school year, when the building will house only P.S. 130's kindergarten through second grades and its pre-kindergarten program, it is projected that K130 will have an estimated building utilization rate of 89%-95%. In the 2020-2021 school year, when P.S. 130's larger enrollment is stabilized across kindergarten through fifth grades, K130 will have an estimated building utilization rate of 112%-118%.

While the anticipated utilization rates of K437 and K130 are in excess of 100%, P.S. 130, 15KTBD, and P053K@K437 will each receive space that meets all of their instructional needs. Thus, the DOE believes that K130 can serve P.S. 130's kindergarten through second grade students and K437 can serve P.S. 130's third through fifth grade students, as well as 15KTBD and P053K@K437, if this proposal is approved.

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

The Educational Impact Statement (“EIS”) can be found on the Department of Education’s website: <http://schools.nyc.gov/AboutUs/leadership/PEP/publicnotice/2014-2015/November2014SchoolProposals>.

Copies of the EIS are also available in the main offices of P.S. 130 The Parkside and 75K053.

III. Submission of public comment regarding the proposal.

Written comments can be submitted via email to: D15Proposals@schools.nyc.gov.

Oral comments can be left by phone at 212-374-0208.

IV. The name, office, address, e-mail address and telephone number of the city district representative knowledgeable on proposal from whom information may be obtained concerning the proposal.

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V. Date, time and place of the joint public hearing for this proposal.

November 19, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.
Building K130
70 Ocean Parkway
Brooklyn, NY 11218

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.

VII. Date, time and place of the Panel for Educational Policy (“PEP”) meeting at which the PEP will vote on the proposal.

November 25, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.
The High School of Fashion Industries
225 West 24th Street
New York, NY 10011