



Notice
May 10, 2012

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Chancellor

The Proposed Co-location of Grades Kindergarten through Four of Icahn Charter School 7 (84XTBD) with Existing School P.S. 093 Albert G. Oliver in Buildings X093 and X893 Beginning in 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 co-locate grades kindergarten through four of a new public charter school, Icahn Charter School 7 (84XTBD, “Icahn 7”), in building X093 and minischool building X893 (“X893”) located at 1535 Story Avenue, Bronx, NY 10473, in Community School District 8 (“District 8”) beginning in the 2013-2014 school year. If this co-location proposal is approved by the Panel For Education Policy (“PEP”), Icahn 7 will be co-located with P.S. 93 Albert G. Oliver (08X093, “P.S. 93”), an existing zoned elementary school which currently serves students in kindergarten through fifth grades and offers four sections of full day pre-kindergarten. A co-location means that two or more school organizations are located in the same building and may share common spaces like auditoriums, gymnasiums, libraries, and cafeterias.

In the current 2011-2012 school year, building X093 also houses the kindergarten through third grades of Metropolitan Lighthouse Charter School (84X461, “Met LCS”), an existing elementary charter school. Met LCS began phasing into X093 during the 2010-2011 school year, adding one grade level each year. In the 2012-2013 school year, Met LCS will serve kindergarten through fourth grades in building X093. As described in the revised Educational Impact Statement (“EIS”) approved by the PEP on May 18, 2011, at the conclusion of the 2012-2013 school year, Met LCS will move into a private facility, where it will continue expanding.

Under Icahn 7’s charter, which was authorized by the State University of New York (“SUNY”) in June 2011, the school is approved to serve kindergarten through sixth grades. However, this proposal deals only with kindergarten through fourth grades of Icahn 7. If this proposal is approved, Icahn 7 will be co-located in buildings X093 and X893 with P.S.93 beginning in the 2013-2014 school year after Met LCS moves into its private facility.

Pursuant to this proposal, Icahn 7 will begin serving a total of 90-120 kindergarten, first, and second grade students in 2013-2014. In the 2014-2015 school year, Icahn 7 will expand to serve third grade and will serve a total of approximately 120-160 students. In the 2015-2016 school year, Icahn 7 will add fourth grade and serve a total of approximately 150-200 students.

In its first year, Icahn 7 will enroll kindergarten, first-, and second-grade students through a lottery, giving preference to students who reside in District 8; students who are not admitted will be placed on a waitlist through the same lottery process. In the event that a vacancy occurs during the school year, students will be admitted in the order in which they were placed on the waitlist. Beginning in the school's second year of operation, Icahn 7 will only have a lottery for kindergarten admission.

Building X093 has the capacity to serve 551 students and X893 has the capacity to serve 153 students. In the current 2011-2012 school year, buildings X093 and X893 are collectively serving a total of 585 students in both P.S. 93 and Met LCS, resulting in a projected utilization rate across both buildings of 83%. In 2012-2013, Met LCS will expand to include fourth grade, and buildings X093 and X893 will serve a total of 567-676 students, resulting in a projected utilization rate across both buildings of 81-96%. In 2013-2014, when Met LCS has moved and Icahn 7 begins its phase-in, X093 and X893 will serve 457-547 students, yielding a total utilization of 65-78%. When Icahn 7 is fully phased in and serving kindergarten-fourth grades in the 2015-2016 school year, the building utilization rate across both buildings will be 74-90%.

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

The Educational Impact Statement ("EIS") and Building Utilization Plan ("BUP") can be found on the Department of Education's Web site:

<http://schools.nyc.gov/AboutUs/leadership/PEP/publicnotice/2011-2012/June2012Proposals>.

Copies of the EIS and BUP are also available in the main offices of P.S. 93 and Met LCS.

III. Submission of public comment.

Written comments can be sent to D08proposals@schools.nyc.gov

Oral comments can be left at 212-374-5159

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 hearing for this proposal.

June 12, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.
School Building X093
1535 Story Avenue

Bronx, NY 10473

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

June 26, 2012 at 6:00 P.M.
Prospect Heights Campus
883 Classon Ave
Brooklyn, NY 11225