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Proposed Zone Changes Impacting PS 56, PS 3, and PS 6, in District 31
Beginning in the 2015-2016 School Year

The New York City Department of Education (DOE) and the District 31 Community Education Council have identified a need to change the current zones for PS 56, PS 3, and PS 6.

Why is the DOE proposing to make these zone changes?

- To account for the capacity of new building R062, on 644 Bloomingdale Road, slated to open for the 2015-2016 school year.
- To alleviate PS 3's zone so that the school will eventually no longer need the capacity of the annex at Mount Loretto.
- To include some students in the new zone from PS 6 and PS 56 who live closest to the new building.

When would this zoning change be implemented?

- The proposed zone changes would take effect for the 2015-2016 school year

What changes might District 31 families expect as a result of this proposed re-zoning?

- Some residents in the southern portion of the PS 56 zone may now be zoned for the new school at building R062.
- Some residents in the northern portion of the PS 3 zone may now be zoned for the new school at building R062.
- Some residents in the northeast portion of the PS 6 zone may now be zoned for the new school at building R062.
- The map on the back shows the proposed zone line changes.

Who does this rezoning proposal impact?

- Incoming kindergarten students or students that are new to NYC schools in 2015-2016.
- All currently enrolled students at PS 56, PS 3, and PS 6 may remain in their school.
- Sibling priority, as determined by CEC 31, may be applicable.

How will this rezoning change student enrollment and space at PS 56, PS 3, and PS 6?[1]

- PS 56's total enrollment is expected to decrease from 723 students to 610-710 students. This will decrease the building utilization from approximately 103% to 90%-100%.
- PS 3's total enrollment is expected to decrease from 1,019 students to 560-660 students. This will decrease the building utilization from approximately 128%[2] to 100%-110%.[3] This enrollment decrease will ultimately allow PS 3 to serve all of its students in its main building, and eventually eliminate the need for PS 3's annex at Mount Loretto.
- PS 6's total enrollment is expected to decrease from 757 students to 630-730 students. This will decrease the building utilization from approximately 122% to 105%-115%.

How will this re-zoning decision be made?

- The DOE proposed zoning changes to the District 31 CEC at a public meeting on April 7, 2014.
- The CEC and DOE collected community feedback and adjusted the proposed zones based on this feedback.
- The DOE proposed zoning changes to the District 31 CEC at a public meeting on May 5, 2014.
- The CEC is responsible for approving zoning changes. CEC 31 anticipates voting on this proposal during their June 2, 2014 meeting.

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[1] Current enrollment is based on the Audited Register as of October 31, 2013. Organizational capacity and utilization are based on 2012-2013 Blue Book Capacity.
[2] Includes PS 3's annex at Mount Loretto, with a capacity of 220 seats.
[3] Planned capacity does not include PS 3's annex at Mount Loretto.

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Where can I get more information?

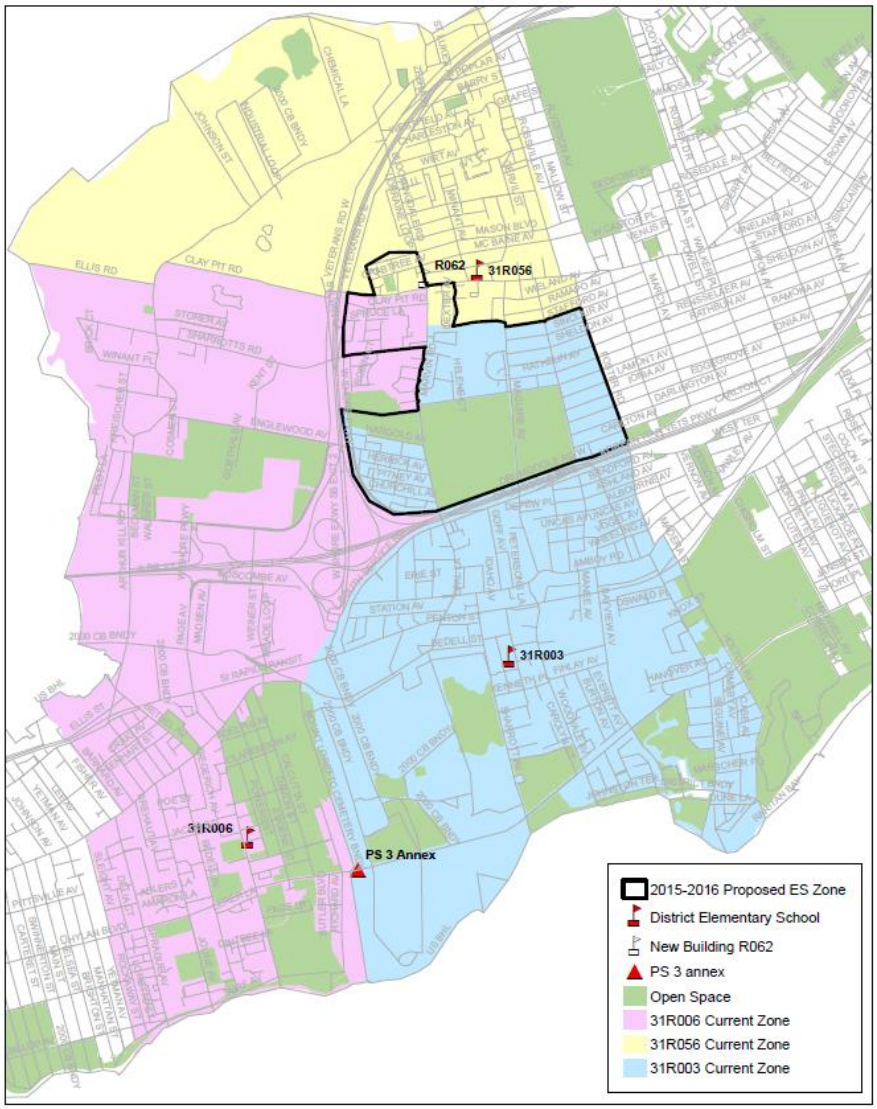
- The presentation materials that were shared during the May 5, 2014 meeting can be found on the DOE Web site: http://schools.nyc.gov/community/planning/changes/statenisland/feedback?id=643

Whom can I contact with questions or comments about the proposal?

- Community Superintendent, Jessica Jenkins, (718) 420-5667, JJenkins2@schools.nyc.gov
- CEC 31: CEC31@schools.nyc.gov
- Office of District Planning: StatenIslandZoning@schools.nyc.gov

Where can I go for more information on zoning and admissions?

- The Office of Student Enrollment website: http://schools.nyc.gov/ChoicesEnrollment/Elementary/default.htm

Proposed Zones (2015-2016):

The yellow shape represents the current zone for PS 56, the blue shape represents the current zone for PS 3, and the purple shape represents the current zone for PS 6. The black outline represents the proposed zone boundaries. All zone lines run down the center of the street unless otherwise specified. If this proposal is approved, starting in 2015-2016, the zone for the new school in building R062 is determined by the shape outlined in black: