



Notice
March 1, 2013

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Chancellor

The Proposed Grade Expansion of a District 75 Program (75R373) from K-5 to K-8 at New Building R071 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 expand P373R@PS48 (75R373, “P373R@PS48”), a District 75 (“District 75”) school opening in 2013-2014 in new building R071 (“R071”) located at 1050 Targee Street, Staten Island, NY 10304 in Community School District 31. On June 26, 2012, the Panel for Educational Policy (“PEP”) approved a proposal to re-site, expand, and co-locate P.S. 48 William C. Wilcox (31R048, “P.S. 48”) an existing zoned elementary school that currently serves students in kindergarten through fifth grades with P373R@PS48, a new District 75 school that was to serve students in kindergarten through fifth grade in R071 beginning in the 2013-2014 school year. This is a proposal to implement a grade expansion whereby P373R@PS48 would expand to serve students in kindergarten through eighth grades at full scale.

In an effort to provide District 75 families with greater access to middle school options in Staten Island and to align P373R@PS48 with P.S. 48’s expanded grade span, the DOE is proposing to expand P373R@PS48 to serve kindergarten through eighth grades. This proposed grade expansion provides the opportunity for P373R@PS48 students to have a seamless transition into middle school. If this proposal is approved, starting in the 2013-2014 school year, P373R@PS48 will serve students in kindergarten through eighth grades.

Building R071 is a new building currently under construction by the School Construction Authority (“SCA”), and in addition to housing P.S. 48; it includes designed space for a District 75 school. The expansion of P373R@PS48 is contingent upon the completion of this new building. Because it is a newly constructed facility, no school organization currently uses space at R071. The building is projected to have the capacity to serve 844 students. P373R@PS48 is projected to serve approximately 62-72 students in the 2015-2016 school year. P.S. 48’s kindergarten through fifth-grade students will be re-sited to R071 for the 2013-2014 school year with the sixth grade cohort. During the 2013-2014 school year, these organizations will serve approximately 702-782 students, yielding a projected building utilization rate of 83%-93%. In the 2015-2016 school year, when both schools have reached full-scale serving students in grades kindergarten through eight, there will be a total of approximately 892-992 students yielding a projected building utilization rate for both organizations of 106%-118%.

This proposed grade expansion does not change the planned enrollment or space requirements for P373R@PS48, which was based on the SCA's reported D75 designed seat capacity in R071.

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

The Educational Impact Statement ("EIS") can be found on the Department of Education's Web site: <http://schools.nyc.gov/AboutUs/leadership/PEP/publicnotice/2012-2013/April2013Proposals.htm>.

Copies of the EIS are also available in the main offices of P.S. 48 and P373R.

III. Submission of public comment.

Written comments can be sent to D31Proposals@schools.nyc.gov

Oral comments can be left at 212-374-7621.

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: Emily Ades
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Address: 52 Chambers Street, New York, NY 10007
Email: D31Proposals@schools.nyc.gov
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V. Date, time and place of joint public hearings for this proposal.

Wednesday, April 3, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.

R048 Building
1055 Targee Street
Staten Island, NY 10304

Tuesday, April 9, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.

P373R Main Site
91 Henderson Avenue
Staten Island, NY 10301

Questions about the proposal should be directed as indicated in section IV above.

Speaker sign-up will begin 30 minutes before each 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.

Wednesday, April 17, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.

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