

## Amended Notice of Joint Public Hearing for K907

The Proposed Re-siting of Aspirations Diploma Plus High School (17K646) from Building K824 to Building K907 and Co-location with Brownsville Academy High School (17K568) and New Visions AIM Charter High School I (84K395) in the 2023-2024 School Year

*NOTE: This notice has been amended to reflect that, consistent with applicable law, the Panel for Educational Policy (PEP) meeting at which this proposal is expected to be voted on will be held via teleconference. In addition, the PEP meeting at which this proposal is expected to be voted on has been rescheduled to April 19, 2023, at 6 p.m. Details about accessing that PEP meeting scheduled for April 19, 2023, are contained in the final portion of this amended notice. No changes have been made to the Educational Impact Statement (EIS) for this proposal posted on March 3, 2023.*

A Joint Public Hearing will be held to provide the public with an opportunity to present comments or concerns on the proposal. The hearing will be held as follows:

**Date:** Tuesday, April 4, 2023

**Time:** 6:00 p.m.

**Where:** Teleconference, <https://learndoe.org/districtplanning/>.

This Joint Public Hearing will be an opportunity to learn more about potential changes to building K907 and share feedback.

The New York City Department of Education (NYCDOE) is proposing to re-site Aspirations Diploma Plus High School (17K646), referred to as Aspirations Diploma Plus, from building K824 to building K907 in the 2023-2024 school year.

On February 3, 2023, the NYCDOE posted a proposal to re-site Aspirations Diploma Plus and merge it with Brownsville Academy High School (17K568), referred to as Brownsville Academy, in K907. Based on community feedback, the NYCDOE is withdrawing the previously posted K907 merger proposal and is instead proposing to re-site Aspirations Diploma Plus from K824 to K907 and co-locate it with Brownsville Academy and New Visions AIM Charter High School I (84K395), referred to as New Visions AIM I.

Aspirations Diploma Plus is an existing transfer high school serving students in grades 9-12 in building K824, located at 402 Eastern Parkway, Brooklyn, NY 11225 in Community School District 17, referred to as District 17. K824 also houses ReStart Academy (79M973), referred to as ReStart, which provides educational services for 13–21-year-old students in temporary settings, and to overaged eighth graders in small, personalized settings in collaboration with high schools to support students' ability to accelerate learning and successfully transition to high school. Concurrently, the NYCDOE is working with ReStart to relocate that program to another location.

Building K907 is located at 1150 East New York Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11212, also in District 17, approximately 1.8 miles from K824. K907 currently houses Brownsville Academy and New Visions AIM I. Brownsville Academy is an existing transfer high school serving students in grades 9-12, and New Visions AIM I is an existing charter transfer high school serving students in grades 9-12.

K824 is currently leased by the NYCDOE and has significant facilities challenges. The lease on K824 will expire at the end of the 2022-2023 school year, and as such, Aspirations Diploma Plus will need to vacate K824 after the conclusion of the current 2022-2023 school year. K907 is currently 33% utilized, meaning it is underutilized and has space to serve additional students. To provide Aspirations Diploma Plus with a permanent space where it can continue serving students without experiencing facilities challenges and to utilize available space in K907, the NYCDOE is proposing to re-site Aspirations Diploma Plus from K824 to K907.

If this proposal is approved, Aspirations Diploma Plus will vacate K824 following the current school year and will serve students in K907 beginning in the 2023-2024 school year and beyond. K907 is projected to have sufficient space to accommodate Aspirations Diploma Plus, along with Brownsville Academy and New Visions AIM I.

For further information about this proposal, please see the EIS and Building Utilization Plan (BUP), which are available in the main offices of Aspirations Diploma Plus, Brownsville Academy, and New Visions AIM I, as well as on the Panel for Educational Policy (PEP) website at: <https://www.schools.nyc.gov/about-us/leadership/panel-for-education-policy/2022-2023-pages/april-19-2023-school-utilization-proposals>.

You can sign up to speak at the Joint Public Hearing starting at 5:30 p.m. Speaker sign-up will close 15 minutes after the hearing begins.

Access the teleconference Joint Public Hearing online here: <https://learndoe.org/districtplanning/>.

Before the hearing, you may visit the following website to confirm you are able to join the teleconference on your equipment: <https://learndoe.org/districtplanning/tech-check/>.

If you are unable to attend the Joint Public Hearing through the above link, you may call in directly:

- To participate in English, dial 929-205-6099 (Toll Free) and enter meeting ID: 883-0721-2742#.

This Joint Public Hearing will also offer live interpretation in Spanish:

- To participate in Spanish, dial 833-548-0276 (Toll Free) and enter meeting ID 831-9118-7638#.

This proposal must be voted on and approved by the PEP prior to implementation. In addition to the Joint Public Hearing, you may also share comments about the proposal by leaving a voicemail at 212-374-0208 or via e-mail at [D17Proposals@schools.nyc.gov](mailto:D17Proposals@schools.nyc.gov).

All comments received at least 24 hours in advance of the PEP meeting at which this proposal is subject to a vote will be included in the Public Comment Analysis, which will be made available on the NYCDOE website after 6:00 p.m. the day before the PEP vote. The PEP is expected to vote on this proposal on Wednesday, April 19, 2023, at 6 p.m. via teleconference at <https://learndoe.org/pep/apr19>.

If you would like to access this meeting via phone, dial 929-205-6099 (Toll Free) and enter meeting ID: 853-6797-4221#.



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For further information about how to access this meeting, visit the PEP website at <https://www.schools.nyc.gov/about-us/leadership/panel-for-education-policy>.

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