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To: Superintendent, Tuxedo Union Free School District

CC: Public, Non Public and Charter Schools in the Same Geographic Area as the Proposed Charter School

From: NYSED Charter School Office (on behalf of the NYS Board of Regents)

Re: Notice of Receipt of Pending Action on a Charter School Application

Date: February 25, 2015

This notice is to inform you that on June 25, 2014, the New York State Board of Regents received an application to establish Tuxedo STEM Academy at George F. Baker High School Conversion Charter School, a charter school in the Tuxedo Union Free School District. The charter school was approved by the Tuxedo Board of Education, and was reviewed for possible action at the January 12, 2015 meeting of the Board of Regents. On that date, the Board of Regents voted to return the initial application to establish the charter school to the Tuxedo BOE for reconsideration, and with the following comment: The proposed charter does not adequately address the fiscal and programmatic impact on surrounding school districts.

Thereafter, the Tuxedo BOE approved a revised application, which was submitted to the New York State Board of Regents on February 20, 2015. The revised application for this school is being reviewed for possible action at the March 16-17, 2015 meeting of the Board of Regents. Full application materials may be viewed at <http://www.p12.nysed.gov/psc/startcharter> and/or at <http://tuxedoufsd.org/>

Please note that pursuant to Education Law section 2857(1) and 8 NYCRR 119.4 (available at <http://www.p12.nysed.gov/psc/law.html>), the school district of location was required to hold a public hearing to solicit comments from the community in connection with the foregoing application. This hearing was held on June 24, 2014. The Board of Regents welcomes additional comments on the proposed charter school, including those related to the programmatic and fiscal impact of the proposed charter school or other public and non-public schools in the area. Comments should be submitted no later than March 13, 2015 to charterschools@nysed.gov. The subject line of the email should read: School District Response to Charter School Application.

Name of Charter School	Tuxedo STEM Academy at George F. Baker High School Conversion Charter School
Lead Applicant(s)	Francesco Accetta Art Schouten Marco Margotta
Proposed District	Tuxedo Union Free School District
Proposed Opening Date	September 2015

The proposed grade levels and enrollment for the proposed charter school are as follows:

Charter Term	Grade Levels	Number of Students
2015-2016	9-12	285
2016-2017	9-12	316
2017-2018	9-12	342
2018-2019	9-12	365
2019-2020	9-12	400

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (518) 474-1762 or Vickie.Smith@nysed.gov.

Sincerely,



Vickie Smith
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