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March 30, 2015

Carmen Fariña
Chancellor
New York City Department of Education
52 Chambers Street, Third Floor
New York, NY 10007

Dear Chancellor Fariña:

This notice is to inform you that on February 10, 2015 the New York State Board of Regents received twelve (12) applications to establish charter schools in New York City. Details of the applications are included on the attached chart.

These applications are being reviewed for possible action at the June 2015 meeting of the Board of Regents. Full application materials may be viewed at www.p12.nysed.gov/psc/startcharter.

Please note that pursuant to Education Law section 2857(1) and 8 NYCRR 119.4 (available at <http://www.p12.nysed.gov/psc/publichearing.html>), the school district of location is required to hold a public hearing to solicit comments from the community in connection with the foregoing applications. These hearings, which are required to be held within the community that is potentially impacted by the charter school, must be held within 30 days of your receipt of this letter.

Please provide the following required documentation:

1. A copy of the public hearing notice must be provided to the Charter School Office at the time of dissemination.
2. No later than the next business day following the hearing, written confirmation that this hearing was held must be sent to the Charter School Office.
3. Copies of any and all written records or comments generated from this hearing must be sent to the Charter School Office within 15 business days after the hearing.

All documentation listed above should be submitted electronically to charterschools@nysed.gov (the subject line of the email should include the NAME OF PROPOSED CHARTER SCHOOL *Public Hearing*).

In addition, the New York City Department of Education district has the right to comment directly to the Board of Regents on the programmatic and fiscal impact of the proposed charter school(s) on traditional public and non-public schools in your district. Comments should be submitted no later than May 20, 2015 to charterschools@nysed.gov (the subject line of the email should read: *New York City Department of Education response to NAME OF PROPOSED CHARTER SCHOOL application*).

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (518) 474-1762 or vickie.smith@nysed.gov or smegna@mail.nysed.gov. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Vickie Smith".

Vickie Smith
CSO, New School Coordinator

Enclosure

c: Superintendents, Principals/Heads of public and non-public schools within county
DawnLynne Kacer
Courtney Fields
Bill Clarke
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**New York State Education Department
Application to Establish a Charter School Authorized by the New York State Board of Regents
2015 Round 1 Full Applications Submitted 2-10-15**

	CSD	Proposed School Name	Grade Levels	Projected Number of Students	Proposed Board Chair	Public Contact	Public Contact Email	Public Contact Phone	Proposed Management Company	Proposed Partner Organization(s)
1	Bronx: CSD 10	School in the Square Public CS	6-8	300	Michael Pollack	Evan Meyers	info@schoolinthesquare.org	914-471-2484		
2	Bronx: CSD 11	Innovation Prep Charter School	9-12	400	Sharon Stephens	Greg Lewin	info@innovationprepcharter.org	914-378-6135		
3	Bronx: CSD 9	Education for Tomorrow Bronx Charter High School	9-12	400	Kerry Decker Rutishauser	Cynthia McCallister	mccallistercynthia@gmail.com	917-566-4798		
4	Brooklyn: CSD 13	Prime Public Charter School	6-8	324	Tony Siddall	April Gariepy	april.gariepy@gmail.com	917-443-6192		
5	Brooklyn: CSD 21	Hebrew Language Academy Charter School 2	K-5	474	Sara Berman	Mark Fink	mark@hebrewcharters.org	212-792-6234	Hebrew Charter School Center	
6	Brooklyn: CSD 21	Mentora International Charter School	9-12	400	Ali Ince	Ali Cinar	acinar@mentoracollege.edu	203-722-4339		Mentora Educational Foundation; Bahcesehir Ugur Educational Institutions (BUEI)
7	Manhattan: CSD 1	New York City Charter School of the Arts	6-8	276	Danal Abrams	Jamie Davidson	jamesdavidson@gmail.com	917-833-6469		
8	Manhattan: CSD 5	Sofara International Charter School	K-6	330	Kevin G. Wells, Esq.	Nadhedge Ptah	sofaraoutreach@gmail.com	212-591-0299		
9	Manhattan: CSD 6	WHIN Music Community Charter School	K-5	324	Gregory David	David Gracia	david.gracia79@gmail.com	347-739-6342		
10	Queens: CSD 30	Growing Up Green Charter School II	K-5	504	Jeff Mueller	Matthew Greenberg	greenberg@gugcs.org	347-642-4306		
11	Queens: CSD 30	VOICE 2 Charter School	K-5	504	Randolph A. Ford	Franklin Headley	info@voicecharterschool.org	718-786-6213		VOICE CS
12	Staten Island: CSD 31	The Staten Island Green Charter School For Environmental Discovery	K-5	425	Dr. Vincent Maligno	Carole Reiss	creiss1952@gmail.com	718-608-5232		Sylvan Learning Center; Staten Island Mental Health