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To: School District in which New Dawn Charter High School II is Located

Public and Nonpublic Schools in the Same Geographic Area as New Dawn Charter High School II

From: Lisa Long, Executive Director

Subject: Notice of Receipt of and Pending Action on Charter School Renewal with Revisions

September 15, 2023 Date:

Name of Charter School: New Dawn Charter High School II

BEDS Code: 342800861147

District/CSD of Location: New York City Geographic District # 28 District(s) Required to Hold a Hearing: New York City Geographic District # 28 **Deadline to Hold Hearing:** October 16, 2023 (30 calendar days)

Type of Request: Renewal with Revisions **Current Charter Term:** 9/4/2019-6/30/2024 **Proposed New Charter Term:** 7/1/2024-6/30/2029

Management Company: NA **Grades Served in the Current Academic Year:** 9-12 **Approved Grades and Maximum Enrollment:** 9-12; 550

Proposed Revision(s):

1. A revision requested by this charter school to decrease its authorized enrollment from the currently approved 400 students to 350 students. A determination regarding this revision has not yet been made and is currently under review

by the New York State Education Department.

- 2. A revision requested for a significant change by this charter school to add a Culinary CTE Certification program in its charter beginning in the 2024-2025 school year. A determination regarding this revision has not yet been made and is currently under review by the New York State **Education Department.**
- 3. A revision requested by this charter school to amend the following Key Design Element: College and Career Readiness: Internship Program (IP) FROM: Students with more than 10 credits are assigned a placement to work in the community. As part of a holistic educational approach, the IP at New Dawn II will provide students with the essential job training and leadership development opportunities needed to prepare and transition into a successful career pathway of their choice. New Dawn II aims for students to build longterm, professional connections while developing skills such as critical thinking, teamwork, time management, problem solving, communication and professionalism. College Now with CUNY. College Now is a city-wide, collaborative program with the City University of New York (CUNY) and

more than 350 NYC public high schools. New Dawn II will partner with the Borough of Manhattan Community College (BMCC) for students to gain advantage in college and simultaneously help them improve their academic achievement. College and Career Readiness further supports our mission goals by addressing this key design element of our program, the Act by providing at-risk students with high educational expectations and offering a choice not available in the community prior to New Dawn II. TO "College and Career Readiness: Internship Program (IP). Students with more than 10 credits are assigned a placement to work in the community. As part of a holistic educational approach, the IP at New Dawn II will provide students with the essential job training and leadership development opportunities needed to prepare and transition into a successful career pathway of their choice. New Dawn II aims for students to build longterm, professional connections while developing skills such as critical thinking, teamwork, time management, problem solving, communication and professionalism. College/Career Bridge Program. New Dawn II's internally developed College/Career Bridge program is a college and career readiness program which is completely individualized for each student. Our Guidance Counselor meets regularly with each student beginning upon their entrance to the school, helping them prepare for entering college or a career path. Through College/Career Bridge, every student develops a college/career plan over their time at the school ensuring that their high school course of study, their internships and the college and career guidance they receive leave them prepared and ready to implement their plans upon their graduation. College and Career Readiness further supports our mission goals by addressing this key design element of our program, the Act by providing at-risk students with high educational expectations and offering a choice not available in the community prior to New Dawn II." A determination regarding this revision has not yet been made and is currently under review by the New York State Education Department.

The application of this school is being reviewed for possible action at an upcoming Board of Regents meeting. You are receiving this notice since the school is located in your school district and/or your school is located in the same geographic region as the charter school seeking this proposed action. If you are not the school's district of location, as indicated above, nothing further is required. However, if you seek to provide public comment regarding this proposed revision, additional information on how to do so is provided below.

Please note that pursuant to Education Law §2857(1) and 8 NYCRR §119.4 (available at http://www.p12.nysed.gov/psc/aboutcharterschools/lawsandregs/law.html), the school district of location is required to hold a public hearing to solicit comments from the community in connection with the foregoing

application. The hearing, which is required to be held within the community that is potentially impacted by the charter school, must be held within 30 calendar days of receipt of this letter.

The charter school's district of location is required to provide the following required documentation to the Charter School Office:

- 1. A copy of the public hearing notice, at the **time of dissemination**.
- 2. Written confirmation that this hearing was held, no later than the **next business day** following the hearing.
- 3. Copies of any and all written records or comments generated from this hearing within **15 business days** after the hearing.
- 4. **A summary** (shown below) outlining the date and time of the hearing, the number of people who attended, the number of speakers, the number of people in favor, and the number of people opposed, and any comments received **in the following format**:

"The required	public hearing	was held by	the[full	name of School	District/New	York City
Department of	Education] on	[Date]	, 20[YY]	[Number]	_ people atter	nded, and
[Number]	spoke	[Number]	were in fa	vor of the [renew	al/revision/me	erger] and
[Number]	were oppo	osed."				

All documentation listed above must be submitted to charterschools@nysed.gov. The subject line of the e-mail should read "[Name of Charter School] Public Hearing."

In addition, as stated above, the Board of Regents welcomes all public comments on the proposed application, including those related to the programmatic and fiscal impact of the proposed application on other public and nonpublic schools in the area. Comments can be submitted during the public hearing or can be submitted to charterschools@nysed.gov with a subject line of "School District Response to [Name of Charter School] Application."

Thank you for your assistance with this matter. If you have any questions, please contact the Charter School Office at charterschools@nysed.gov or (518) 474-1762.