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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 August 16, 2016, the New York State Board of Regents received eight new applications to establish charter schools in New York City as reflected in the attached chart. These applications are under review for possible action at the November 14-15, 2016 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 at the time of dissemination.
2. Written confirmation that the 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 must be sent 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 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 November 9, 2016 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. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Vickie Smith, New Schools Coordinator

Enclosure

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**New York City Proposed New Charter Schools
2016 Round 2 Full Applications**

Proposed NYC Geographic District	Name of Proposed Charter School	Board Chair	Public Contact	Grades Served Over 5 Year Term	Number of Students Served Over 5 Year Term
Brooklyn: CSD 32	Central Ave Charter School for Academic Leadership	Clentine Fenner	Clentine Fenner 917-971-9707 friendsofcasal@gmail.com	Grades K-7	400
Queens: CSD 27	Circle Academy CS	Richard Bernstein	Michelle Pascucci 718-322-2558 mpascucci@circleacademy.org	Grades K-5	512
Brooklyn: CSD 16	Ember Charter School	Shahidah Kalam Id-Din	Rafiq Kalam Id-Din II, Esq. 917-536-2493 Rafiq@tfoaprofessionalprep.org	Grades 7-12	515
Brooklyn: CSD 21	Hebrew Language Academy Charter School 2	Adam Miller	Mark Fink 212-792-6234 mark@hebrewpublic.org	Grades K-5	489
Brooklyn: CSD 17	Las Americas Discovery Charter School	Philomena Jenkins	Venus Beckles 718-722-7810 lasamericascharterschool@gmail.com	Grades K-5	510
Bronx: 7, 8, 9, 11, or 12	South Bronx Classical Charter School IV	C. Stephen Baldwin	Lester Long or Samuel Wilder 718-860-4340 newcharter@southbronxclassical.org	Grades K-5	372
Staten Island: CSD 31	Staten Island Green Charter School for Environmental Discovery	Dr. Vincent Maligno	Dr. Carole Reiss 718-608-5232 creiss1952@gmail.com	Grades K-5	425
Queens: CSD 30	VOICE 2 Charter School	Marc Cohen	Franklin Headley 718-361-1694 info@voicecharterschool.org	Grades K-5	504