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August 27, 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 August 18, 2015, the New York State Board of Regents received eight (8) new 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 November 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 November 1, 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. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Vickie Smith", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Vickie Smith
New School Coordinator

CSO,

Enclosure

C: Julian Cohen
David Frank
Susan Megna
Karonne Jarrett-Watson

New York State Education Department

Summary of Complete Full Applications Received to Establish a Charter School to be Authorized by the New York State Board of Regents

New York City

Submitted in response to the 2015 Request for Proposals

<i>Name of Proposed Charter School</i>	<i>Board Chair</i>	<i>Public Contact Information</i>	<i>Grade Levels (5th year)</i>	<i>Maximum Enrollment (5th year)</i>	<i>Institutional Partner</i>	<i>Charter Management Organization</i>
NYC Community School District						
C.H.O.I.C.E T.O. Academy Charter Middle School	Courtney Rodriguez	Kimberly Mackey 917-270-3531 choicetoacademy@gmail.com	5-8	460		
New York City Geographic District #19						
Innovation Prep Charter School	Sharon Stephens	Greg Lewin 914-378-6135 golewin@gmail.com	9-12	400		
New York City Geographic District #11						
Prime Public Charter School	Tony Siddall	Johnathan Skolnick 917-699-9819 jonskolnick@gmail.com	6-8	354		
New York City Geographic District #13						
Pythagoras Charter School of Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics	John Tiliakos	John Tiliakos 917-502-4829 vur501@aol.com	9-12	300		
New York City Geographic District #22						
School in the Square Public Charter School	Michael Pollack	Evan Meyers 914-471-2484 info@schoolinthesquare.org	6-8	318		
New York City Geographic District # 9 or 10						
Sofara International Charter School	Kevin G. Wells, Esq.	Nadhedge Ptah 646-644-0300 info@sofarainternational.org	K-6	350		
New York City Geographic District # 5						
South Bronx Community Charter High School	Alvarez Symonette	John Clemente 917-553-6372 southbronxcchs@gmail.com	9-12	425		
New York City Geographic District # 7						
WHIN Music Community Charter School	Gregory David	David Gracia 347-739-6342 david.gracia79@gmail.com	K-5	324		
New York City Geographic District # 6						