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Dear P.S. X596 Families:

I am writing to share that the New York City Department of Education (NYCDOE) has posted a proposal to open and co-locate a new K-8 site of the existing District 75 school, P.S. X596, to be called P596X@X105, in building X105 in the 2025-2026 school year. X105 is located at 725 Brady Avenue, Bronx, NY 10462, in Community School District 11, referred to as District 11. X105 also houses P.S. 105, which is a district elementary school currently serving students in grades K-5 as well as in 3-K and pre-Kindergarten (pre-K) programs. NYCDOE is also proposing to expand P.S. 105 from a K-5 to a K-8 school.

A building addition is being constructed at X105 that will increase P.S. 105's seat capacity and provide space for much needed District 75 elementary and middle school seats in District 11 and the Bronx. The School Construction Authority anticipates construction to be completed before the beginning of the 2025-2026 school year.

As you know, P.S. X596 is an existing multi-sited District 75 school serving students in grades K-8 and pre-K across three different locations in the Bronx. There is no expected impact on any of the P.S. X596 site(s) that your child(ren) currently attend(s). However, current District 75 students in other District 75 schools may be placed in P596X@X105.

Between the 2018-2019 and 2023-2024 school years, District 75's total enrollment in special class sections has grown by over 2,400 students citywide. The total number of elementary and middle school students in the Bronx attending District 75 programs has increased by approximately 12%. To meet this growing need for District 75 elementary and middle school seats in the Bronx, the NYCDOE is specifically proposing this new site because District 11 has the second highest elementary school District 75 seat need citywide, and District 11 also has high concentrations of District 75 elementary and middle school students who currently travel longer distances to their school sites. As such, the NYCDOE believes that the addition of this site will help to address the projected District 75 seat need in the Bronx and reduce travel distance for many District 75 students by providing an additional placement option closer to home. The third floor in the X105 addition is specifically designed to serve District 75 students, and on the third floor of the current X105 building, construction will be done to convert existing classrooms to District 75 designed classrooms.

### **Where can I learn more about this proposal?**

This letter serves as notice that the Educational Impact Statement (EIS) for this proposal has been posted on the NYCDOE's website at: <https://www.schools.nyc.gov/get-involved/families/panel-for-education-policy/2024-2025-pages/january-28-2025-school-utilization-proposals>. Copies of the EIS for this proposal are also available in the main offices of P.S. 105 and P.S. X596.

### **How can I provide feedback?**

This proposal must be voted on and approved by the Panel for Educational Policy (PEP) prior to implementation. We anticipate that the PEP will vote on this proposal on Tuesday, January 28, 2025, at 6 p.m. at Evander Childs Educational Campus, located at 800 East Gun Hill Road, Bronx, NY 10467.

In advance of the PEP vote, a Joint Public Hearing for this proposal will be held via teleconference on Wednesday, November 13, 2024, at 6 p.m. All community members will have the opportunity to share feedback about this proposal at the Joint Public Hearing.

Feedback about this proposal may also be shared at any time by e-mailing [D11Proposals@schoos.nyc.gov](mailto:D11Proposals@schoos.nyc.gov) by calling 212-374-5159.

The official Notices of Proposal and Joint Public Hearing are attached.

Sincerely,



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