



Notice of Joint Public Hearing

The Proposed Merger of Academy of Public Relations (07X298) with South Bronx Academy for Applied Media (07X296) in Building X184 in the 2026-2027 School Year

The New York City Department of Education is proposing to merge Academy of Public Relations (07X298), referred to as APR, with South Bronx Academy for Applied Media (07X296), referred to as SBAAM, in building X184 (X184) in the 2026-2027 school year.

A merger means that two or more existing school organizations are combined into one school to operate and serve students more effectively. Mergers seek to improve learning environments by combining the strengths and best practices of both schools and distributing resources to reinforce academic enrichment opportunities, interventions, and other supports.

APR and SBAAM are both middle schools serving students in grades 6-8 in X184, located at 778 Forest Avenue, Bronx NY 10456, in Community School District 7 (District 7). APR and SBAAM are co-located in X184 with: Jill Chaifetz Transfer High School (Jill Chaifetz), which serves students in grades 9-12; one site of multi-sited District 75 school P.S. X017 (P017X@X184), which serves students in grades 6-8 in both special classes and in an inclusion program affiliated with APR; and one site of multi-sited District 75 school P.S. X754 J. M. Rapport School for Career Development (P754X@X184), which provides an inclusion program affiliated with Jill Chaifetz. X184 also houses the community-based organization (CBO) Good Shepherd Services.

If this proposal is approved, APR will be combined with SBAAM such that the students, staff, and resources of APR will become part of the merged SBAAM as of the 2026-2027 school year. APR will no longer exist as a distinct school option and will no longer serve students in X184. The merged SBAAM will continue to be co-located with Jill Chaifetz, P017X@X184, and P754X@X184 in X184.

For further information about this proposal, please see the Educational Impact Statement, which is available in the main offices of APR, SBAAM, Jill Chaifetz, and P017X@X184 as well as on the PEP website at: <https://www.schools.nyc.gov/about-us/leadership/panel-for-education-policy/2025-2026-pages/april-15-2026-school-utilization-proposals>.

A Joint Public Hearing will be held to provide the public with an opportunity to learn more about the above-referenced proposal and to present comments or concerns on this proposal. The date, time, and location of the hearing are as follows:

Date: Tuesday, March 3, 2026

Time: 6 p.m.

Where: Teleconference, <https://learndoe.org/districtplanning>.

This Joint Public Hearing will also offer live interpretation in Spanish via the above link. If you are unable to access the Joint Public Hearing through the above link, you may call in directly:

- To participate in English, dial 646-828-7666 (Toll Free) and enter meeting ID: 161-826-2980#.
- To participate in Spanish, dial 646-964-1167 (Toll Free) and enter meeting ID: 160-976-6510#.



You can sign up to speak at the Joint Public Hearing starting at 5:30 p.m. Speaker sign-up will close 15 minutes after the hearing begins.

In addition to the Joint Public Hearing, you may also share comments about these proposals by leaving a voicemail at 212-374-5159 or emailing D07Proposals@schools.nyc.gov.

The PEP is expected to vote on these proposals on Wednesday, April 15, 2026, at 6 p.m. at Bronx Career and College Prep High School located at 800 Home Street, Bronx, NY 10456. For further information about accessing this meeting, visit the PEP website at <https://www.schools.nyc.gov/about-us/leadership/panel-for-education-policy>.

Published on January 23, 2026

Notice of Language Access for Families

Translations of this document will be available on the Panel for Educational Policy webpage:

<https://www.schools.nyc.gov/get-involved/families/panel-for-education-policy/panel-meetings>

If you do not see a translation available in your preferred language, you can request additional translations via email:

ODPTranslations@schools.nyc.gov

Lajmërim për Familjet për Akses Shërbimesh Gjuhësore

[Albanian]

Пëркthime të këtij dokumenti do të jenë të disponueshme në faqen e internetit të Panelit për Politika të Edukimit (Panel for Educational Policy):

<https://www.schools.nyc.gov/get-involved/families/panel-for-education-policy/panel-meetings>

Nëse nuk gjeni përkthim në gjuhën tuaj të parapëlqyer, mund të kërkoni një përkthim me e-mail:

ODPTranslations@schools.nyc.gov

[Arabic] إشعار بخدمات المساعدة اللغوية للعائلات

ستكون ترجمات هذه الوثيقة متوفرة على الصفحة الإلكترونية الخاصة بهيئة السياسة التعليمية:

<https://www.schools.nyc.gov/get-involved/families/panel-for-education-policy/panel-meetings>

إذا لم تجد ترجمة متوفرة بلغتك المفضلة، فيمكنك طلب ترجمات إضافية عبر البريد الإلكتروني:

ODPTranslations@schools.nyc.gov

পরিবারদের জন্য ভাষাগত সহায়তা বিষয়ক বিজ্ঞপ্তি

[Bangla]

এই নথির অনুবাদ প্যানেল ফর এডুকেশনাল পলিসি-এর ওয়েবপেজে পাওয়া যাবে:

<https://www.schools.nyc.gov/get-involved/families/panel-for-education-policy/panel-meetings>

যদি আপনার পছন্দের ভাষায় কোনও অনুবাদ দেখতে না পান, তবে আপনি এই ইমেইল ঠিকানা ব্যবহার করে বাড়তি অনুবাদ অনুরোধ করতে পারেন:

ODPTranslations@schools.nyc.gov

语言使用服务家长通知信

[Chinese-Simplified]

本文件的翻译版本将在教育政策专门小组网页提供:

<https://www.schools.nyc.gov/get-involved/families/panel-for-education-policy/panel-meetings>

如果您找不到自己首选语言的翻译版本，您可以写电邮要求额外的翻译版本:

ODPTranslations@schools.nyc.gov

語言使用服務家長通知信

[Chinese-Traditional]

本文件的翻譯版本將在教育政策專門小組網頁提供:

<https://www.schools.nyc.gov/get-involved/families/panel-for-education-policy/panel-meetings>

如果您找不到自己首選語言的翻譯版本，您可以寫電郵要求額外的翻譯版本:

ODPTranslations@schools.nyc.gov

Informations concernant l'accès linguistique pour les familles

[French]

Des versions traduites de ce document seront disponibles sur la page Web de la Commission sur la politique éducative :
<https://www.schools.nyc.gov/get-involved/families/panel-for-education-policy/panel-meetings>

Si vous ne trouvez pas de traduction disponible dans la langue de votre choix, il vous est possible de faire une demande de traductions supplémentaires par e-mail : ODPTranslations@schools.nyc.gov

Avi pou sèvis aksè nan lang pou fanmi

[Haitian Creole]

Tradiksyon dokiman sa a ap disponib sou pajwèb Komite pou règleman edikasyon an:

<https://www.schools.nyc.gov/get-involved/families/panel-for-education-policy/panel-meetings>

Si ou pa wè yon tradiksyon disponib nan lang ou prefere a, ou ka mande tradiksyon nan lòt lang atravè imèl:
ODPTranslations@schools.nyc.gov

가정 대상 언어 지원 공지

[Korean]

이 문서의 번역이 교육 정책 패널 웹페이지에 제공될 것입니다:

<https://www.schools.nyc.gov/get-involved/families/panel-for-education-policy/panel-meetings>

귀하가 선호하시는 언어로 제공된 번역을 찾지 못하셨다면, 추가적인 번역을 다음 이메일로 연락하여 요청하실 수 있습니다: ODPTranslations@schools.nyc.gov

Уведомление о языковой поддержке для семей

[Russian]

Переводы этого документа опубликованы на сайте Экспертной комиссии по вопросам образования (Panel for Educational Policy, PEP):

<https://www.schools.nyc.gov/get-involved/families/panel-for-education-policy/panel-meetings>

Если вы не видите документ на предпочтительном для вас языке, вы можете запросить переводы по имейлу ODPTranslations@schools.nyc.gov

Notificación de servicios de acceso lingüístico para las familias

[Spanish]

En la página web del Panel para la Política Educativa podrá acceder a traducciones de este documento:

<https://www.schools.nyc.gov/get-involved/families/panel-for-education-policy/panel-meetings>

Si no encuentra la traducción en su idioma de preferencia, puede solicitar traducciones adicionales escribiendo a: ODPTranslations@schools.nyc.gov

Повідомлення про послуги мовного супроводу для сімей

[Ukrainian]

Переклади цього документа будуть доступні на веб-сторінці Комітету з питань освітньої політики:

<https://www.schools.nyc.gov/get-involved/families/panel-for-education-policy/panel-meetings>

Якщо ви не бачите переклад на бажану мову, ви можете надіслати запит на додаткові переклади електронною поштою:

ODPTranslations@schools.nyc.gov

[Urdu] خاندانوں کے لیے لسانی رسائی کا نوٹس

اس دستاویز کے ترجمہ پینل برائے تعلیم کے ویب صفحے پر دستیاب ہونگے:

<https://www.schools.nyc.gov/get-involved/families/panel-for-education-policy/panel-meetings>

اگر آپکو اپنی ترجیحی زبان میں ترجمہ دستیاب نہ نظر آئے تو آپ اضافی ترجموں کے لیے بذریعہ ای میل درخواست کر سکتے ہیں:

ODPTranslations@schools.nyc.gov

Oilalar uchun til imkoniyatlari to‘g‘risidagi xabarnoma

[Uzbek]

Ushbu hujjatning tarjimalari Ta‘lim siyosati paneli veb-sahifasida mavjud bo‘ladi:

<https://www.schools.nyc.gov/get-involved/families/panel-for-education-policy/panel-meetings>

Agar siz o‘zingiz yoqtirgan tilda tarjimani ko‘rmasangiz, qo’shimcha tarjimalarni elektron pochta orqali so‘rashingiz mumkin:

ODPTranslations@schools.nyc.gov