Notice of Joint Public Hearing

The Proposed Grade Truncation of The Riverside School for Makers and Artists (03M191) from a K-8 School to a K-5 School in Building M342 in the 2026-2027 School Year
And
The Proposed Re-siting of M.S. 243 Center School (03M243) from Building M009 to Building M342 and Co-location with The Riverside School for Makers and Artists (03M191) in the 2026-2027 School Year

The New York City Department of Education (NYCDOE) is proposing to truncate grades 6-8 of The Riverside School for Makers and Artists (RSMA, 03M191), in building M342 in the 2026-2027 school year. A grade truncation means that the school will serve fewer grades than it currently offers. If this truncation proposal is approved by the Panel for Educational Policy (PEP), beginning in the 2026-2027 school year, RSMA will no longer enroll students in grades 6-8 and will serve only students in grades K-5 as well as in its 3-K and pre-Kindergarten programs beginning in the 2026-2027 school year, enabling it to focus exclusively on building a quality elementary school in District 3.

The NYCDOE is concurrently proposing to re-site M.S. 243 Center School (Center School, 03M243), from building M009 to building M342 and to co-locate it with RSMA in M342 in the 2026-2027 school year. A re-siting means that part or all of a school will be moved to a different building than the building in which the school or part of the school is currently located. A co-location means that two or more school organizations are located in the same building and may share common spaces, such as gymnasiums, libraries, cafeterias, and multi-purpose rooms. M342 is 1.5 miles from M009. If this re-siting proposal is approved by the PEP, Center School will no longer serve students in M009 following the 2025-2026 school year and will instead be re-sited and serve students in M342, where it will be co-located with RSMA, beginning in the 2026-2027 school year.

The proposal to re-site and co-locate Center School with RSMA is contingent on the proposal to truncate RSMA. However, the proposal to truncate RSMA is not contingent on the proposal to re-site and co-locate Center School in M342. Both proposals will be voted on separately by the PEP. For further information about these proposals, please see the Educational Impact Statements, which are available in the main offices of RSMA, Center School, and P.S. 9 Sarah Anderson, as well as on the PEP website at: https://www.schools.nyc.gov/about-us/leadership/panel-for-education-policy/2025-2026-pages/april-29-2026-school-utilization-proposals.

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

Date: Monday, April 13, 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:

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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 212-374-3466 or emailing D03Proposals@schools.nyc.gov.

The PEP is expected to vote on these proposals on Wednesday, April 29, 2026, at 6 p.m. at M.S. 131, located at 100 Hester Street, New York, NY 10002. For further information about accessing this meeting, visit the PEP website at https://www.schools.nyc.gov/about-us/leadership/panel-for-education-policy.

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