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TO: The Honorable the Members of the Board of Regents
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SUBJECT: Registration of a Public Intermediate School
DATE: September 7, 2016
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SUMMARY

Issue for Decision (Consent Agenda)

Should the Regents register the public intermediate school listed in the attached table?

Reason(s) for Consideration

Required by Commissioner's Regulations Section 100.18.

Proposed Handling

The question will come before the Regents for action at its September 2016 meeting.

Procedural History

Beginning in July 2003, the Regents have annually approved the registration of new public schools. Commissioner's Regulations require districts that seek to register a public elementary, intermediate, middle, junior high or high school to submit a petition to the Board of Regents. Additionally, Commissioner's Regulations require petitions for schools opening the following school year to be submitted by March 1st; however, the Commissioner may waive this timeline for good cause. This year the Department received a submission after the March 1st deadline from the Buffalo City School District to register the Newcomer Academy at Lafayette.

Background Information

Commissioner's Regulations require that districts that seek to register a public elementary, intermediate or high school must submit a petition to the Board of Regents seeking registration of such schools.

The school listed on the attached table is being recommended by the Commissioner for registration, based upon school districts submitting petitions and supporting materials for this school certifying the districts' commitment to operate this school in compliance with applicable statutes, rules, and regulations relating to public schools and in compliance with applicable building codes.

Attachment A contains one school for which a district has petitioned for registration effective with the beginning of the 2016-17 school year.

After the registration of this school, pursuant to section 100.18 of Commissioner's Regulations, the accountability status of the newly registered schools will be determined by the Commissioner. A school district that seeks to register a new public elementary, intermediate or high school must submit an addendum to the petition that provides information regarding:

- Student admission criteria, including those pertaining to English language learners and students with disabilities, as well as the zoning patterns;
- Staffing (administration and instructional);
- Curricula; and,
- Facilities

This information is used to determine whether a school should open with an accountability status of "Good Standing" or if it should maintain the accountability status of a school from which it split, into which it merged, or for which it is the successor.

Related Regents Items

N/A

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Regents take the following action:

VOTED: That the school listed on the attached table be registered.

Timetable for Implementation

The school listed in Attachment A will be registered effective at the beginning of the 2016-17 school year.

Attachment A

Public Schools Recommended for Registration for the 2016-17 School Year

School Name	School District	School Street Address	2016-17 Grade Configuration	2016-17 Projected Enrollment	Grade Configuration at Full Growth	Enrollment at Full Growth
Newcomer Academy at Lafayette	Buffalo City School District	370 Lafayette Avenue Buffalo, NY 14213	7-12	332	7-12	332