



# COMMUNITY EDUCATION COUNCIL DISTRICT 3

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**Resolution:  
District 3 Rezoning**

Whereas, the catchment lines for District 3 elementary schools have not changed in decades, despite population changes; and

Whereas, District 3 has recently become one of the fastest growing areas of Manhattan largely due to major new residential construction; and

Whereas, in some District 3 school zones new construction is so dense that school seats are already inadequate to serve the local population, while other schools have in their zones large numbers of buildings currently under construction or recently completed that may soon make them unable to seat all zoned children, and still other zones are overcrowded due to population growth over time; and

Whereas, the Community Education Council of District 3 is committed to the belief that elementary students should be served in neighborhood schools; and

Whereas, careful analyses of District 3 school capacity by the Community Education Council of District 3, Comptroller William Thompson, Manhattan Borough President Scott Stringer, and other elected officials has led each of these community leaders to conclude that a new school or two will need to be built in District 3 in addition to any zoning changes in order to create adequate space to serve the long term needs of children in our district; now be it therefore

Resolved that the Community Education Council of District 3, as per "New York State Education Law 2590-e.11 Power and duties of community district education council . . . Each community council shall have the following powers and duties to. . . Approve zoning lines, as submitted by the superintendent, consistent with the regulations of the chancellor, applicable to schools under the jurisdiction of the community district." invites the New York City Department of Education, working with the District 3 community, to produce a proposal outlining how rezoning could be incorporated with plans for new school capacity and reconfiguring existing facilities to reduce overcrowding; and be it

Resolved that any rezoning plan use best efforts to anticipate the results of the large number of new residential buildings currently being developed throughout our district.