Call for Space for School Operations

In preparation for school reopening and childcare needs, local city officials are requesting information for available space. There are currently two open inquiries requiring assistance.

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The New York City School Construction Authority (SCA) is presently looking for sites that can be used for additional school space in order to facilitate a safe return to school from the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. The sites must be code-compliant and able to house programs serving children from 3 years old to approximately 14 years old. Criteria for space includes:

- Sites no higher than 4 floors
- Rooms with no less than 650 sq. ft. each
- Dedicated entrances
- Dedicated bathrooms
- Larger spaces with at least 4 rooms preferred
- Outdoor play space preferred, but not mandatory

Ideally, the SCA would like to identify feasible and move-in ready spaces that can be occupied with little to no work this September 2020. The SCA is seeking a one-year license agreement with a one-year renewal option.

Call for Information on Childcare Services

In addition, the City is seeking to create additional opportunities for childcare and alternative home care for preschool and school-aged children to complement blended learning in the upcoming school year. The NYC Department of Youth and Community Development (DYCD) and Department of Education (DOE) are collecting information from organizations and providers of services and/or space that can be used for early childhood services and/or Learning Lab programs. It is anticipated that this new capacity will be added on a rolling basis, throughout the fall of 2020.

If you have space that meets the criteria for additional school space or have information on space that could be available in the future to accommodate the City's free childcare options, please email schoolspace@rebny.com.