




TO: The Honorable Members of the Board of Regents
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SUBJECT: The Registration of a Religious and Independent High School Visited in the Spring of 2023
DATE: May 4, 2023

AUTHORIZATION(S):



SUMMARY

Issue for Decision (Consent)

Should the Board of Regents approve the registration of this nonpublic high school, which is changing its status from pending to full registration?

Reason(s) for Consideration

Required by State statute.

Proposed Handling

This question will come before the Regents at its May 2023 meeting.

Procedural History

Prior to the Covid pandemic crises, the Board of Regents had acted on the registration of religious and independent high schools each year. There were no high school registration visits in 2020 or 2021, and the State Office of Religious and Independent Schools (SORIS) is now in the process of completing status updates and registration visits to those pended prior to the pandemic and the latest requests from 2022.

Background Information

Religious and independent high schools which have a senior class for the first time submits Applications for Nonpublic Secondary School Registration and are visited by a staff member from SORIS. Approved registration of the religious and independent high schools will allow them to issue valid New York State diplomas, administer State examinations on-site, and the school will become a member of the University of the State of New York.

Related Regents Items

Not applicable.

Recommendation

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

VOTED: That the following school, which had requested high school registration in the spring of 2021, has been visited then and received pending registration, be registered:

School	County	Recommended Status
Wellspring Schools	Queens	Registered

Timetable for Implementation

This religious and independent high school will become registered upon approval of the Board of Regents. The school already has pending registration and will move to full registration if approved.