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**NEW K-8 CHARTER SCHOOL
FINDS ITS FIRST HOME
AT TRINITY LUTHERAN**

When Staten Island Community Charter School opens its doors this coming September, it will operate as a school within a school, occupying four classrooms and administrative office space at Trinity Lutheran School on St. Pauls Avenue in Stapleton Heights.

"We had heard Trinity Lutheran School might have some space available," said Lorna Harris of Silver Lake, recently elected president of the Staten Island Community Charter School board of trustees, "and we're delighted that what we heard turned out to be true."

Under an agreement in principle, Harris explained, the charter school will lease and occupy classroom, administrative and ancillary space within Trinity Lutheran School. Operated by the adjacent Trinity Lutheran Church, that school will continue as a fully independent institution.

"We're excited to be able to offer our students the kind of quality learning environment available at the Trinity Lutheran School facility,"

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Harris said. "We're also pleased at the vote of confidence in our board, our school leader and our program that this agreement in principle represents. We've been recruiting fully certified, experienced teachers; now we can begin hiring them."

With an April 1 deadline for applications for kindergarten and first grade for September admissions, members of the charter school board of trustees are continuing their series of parent and family presentations this month, including ample question-and-answer periods. Parents of children eligible for first-grade admission are especially urged to apply.

The next presentation will be held at the Port Richmond branch of the New York Public Library, Bennett Street at Heberton Avenue, Port Richmond, on Saturday March 27, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon. The presentations are offered free of charge and are open to all.

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Staten Island Community Charter School (SICCS) is a collaborative learning community focused on academic achievement, social responsibility and the arts. For more information, please visit the SICCS blog at statenilandcommunitycharterschool.wordpress.com. If you'd like to be added to the school's e-mail database, please contact statenilandcommunity@gmail.com.

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