



Notice
December 22, 2011

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Chancellor

The Proposed Phase-out of Grace Dodge Career and Technical Education High School (10X660) beginning in 2012-2013

I. Description of the subject and purpose of the proposed item under consideration.

The New York City Department of Education (“DOE”) is proposing to phase out Grace Dodge Career and Technical Education High School (10X660, “Grace Dodge”), an existing high school located in building X660 located at 2427 Crotona Avenue, Bronx, NY 10458, within the geographical confines of Community School District 10. It currently serves students in grades nine through twelve. The DOE is proposing to phase out Grace Dodge based on its poor performance and the DOE’s assessment that the school lacks the capacity to turn around quickly to better support student needs.

If this proposal is approved, Grace Dodge will no longer admit new ninth-grade students after the conclusion of the 2011-2012 school year. The school will continue to phase out one grade level at a time until it closes after the 2014-2015 school year, and current students will be supported as they progress towards graduation while remaining enrolled at Grace Dodge. In cases where students do not complete graduation requirements by June 2015, the DOE will help students and families identify alternative programs or schools that meet students’ needs so that they may continue their education after Grace Dodge completes phasing out.

Grace Dodge is co-located with Crotona International High School (10X524, “Crotona International”), a new high school that opened with ninth grade in September 2011. It will serve grades nine through twelve at full-scale. A “co-location” means that two or more school organizations are located in the same building and may share common spaces like auditoriums, gymnasiums, and cafeterias. Crotona International is still phasing in, gradually growing to full-scale as it adds a new grade of students annually. During the 2014-2015 school year, Crotona International will serve its first cohort of students in twelfth grade. In addition, X660 houses a Young Adult Borough Center, Grace Dodge YABC (10X667, “YABC”).

Both Grace Dodge and Crotona International are Career and Technical Education (“CTE”) schools. Both also admit students in ninth grade through the Citywide High School Admissions process and are screened schools. Additional information about CTE programming and the High School Admissions Process is in Section III.A of this proposal.

If this proposal is approved, Grace Dodge will begin phasing out one grade at a time beginning in September 2012 and complete its phase-out after the 2014-2015 school year. In another Educational Impact Statement (“EIS”), the DOE is proposing to open a new high school, 10X565, in building X660 in September 2012. The proposal can be found at: <http://schools.nyc.gov/AboutUs/leadership/PEP/publicnotice/2011-2012/Feb2012Proposals.htm>.

This school will continue growing to full-scale as Grade Dodge phases out. The new school will open with ninth grade, adding one grade annually and reaching full-scale in the 2015-2016 school year with a grade span of nine through twelve. Crotona International will also continue to phase in as planned.

II. Information regarding where the full text of the proposed item may be obtained.

The Educational Impact Statement (“EIS”) can be found on the Department of Education’s Web site: <http://schools.nyc.gov/AboutUs/leadership/PEP/publicnotice/2011-2012/Feb2012Proposals>.

Copies of the EIS are also available in Grace Dodge Career and Technical Education High School’s main office.

III. Submission of public comment.

Written comments can be sent to D10Proposals@schools.nyc.gov

Oral comments can be left at 212-374-5159.

IV. The name, office, address, email and telephone number of the city district representative, knowledgeable on the item under consideration, from whom information may be obtained concerning the item.

Name: Amanda Cahn
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Email: D10Proposals@schools.nyc.gov
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V. Date, time and place of joint public hearings for this proposal.

February 3, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.
Grace Dodge Career and Technical Education High School
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Bronx, NY 10456

Questions about the proposal should be directed as indicated in section IV above.

Speaker sign-up will begin 30 minutes before the hearing and will close 15 minutes after the start.

VI. Date, time and place of the Panel for Educational Policy meeting at which the Panel will vote on the proposed item.

February 9th 2012 at 6:00 p.m.

Brooklyn Technical High School
29 Fort Greene Place
Brooklyn, NY 11217