



Notice
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Chancellor

The Proposed Opening and Co-location of New High School 10X565 with Existing Schools Grace Dodge High School (10X660) and Crotona International High School (10X524) in Building X660, 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 open and co-locate 10X565, a new district high school, in school building X660 (“X660”) located at 2474 Crotona Avenue, Bronx, NY 10458, located within the geographical confines of Community School District 10 (“District 10”). The proposed new high school, 10X565, would offer a rigorous academic program with a career and technical education component and prepare students for post-secondary college and careers. If this proposal is approved, 10X565 would be co-located with Grace Dodge Career and Technical Education High School (10X660, “Grace Dodge”) and Crotona International High School (10X524, “Crotona International”), an existing high school that currently serves ninth grade and that will reach its full scale of ninth through twelfth grades in 2014-2015. In addition, X660 houses a Young Adult Borough Center (10X667, “YABC”). 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.

In a separate EIS posted on December 22, 2011, the DOE proposed to phase out and eventually close Grace Dodge. This EIS can be accessed on the DOE’s Website at <http://schools.nyc.gov/AboutUs/leadership/PEP/publicnotice/2011-2012/Feb2012Proposals.htm>.

The DOE has proposed to phase out Grace Dodge after an extensive review of data and community feedback indicating that the school is unable to turn around despite numerous efforts to improve instruction and school organization. As noted in the EIS posted on December 22, 2011, Grace Dodge students continue to struggle academically.

If the Panel for Educational Policy (“PEP”) approves the proposal to phase out Grace Dodge, the school will no longer admit new ninth-grade students after the end of this school year. However, Grace Dodge will continue to serve students currently enrolled in the school. Grace Dodge’s enrollment will decrease gradually over the next three years, and the school will complete phasing out in June 2015.

In the event that the phase-out of Grace Dodge is not approved, the DOE would re-examine the availability of space in the building, and may, as appropriate, revise its

proposal to co-locate 10X565 in X660. Such a revised proposal would be described in a revised EIS.

The proposed co-location of 10X565 in building X660 is part of the DOE's central goal to create new school options that will better serve future students and the community at large. 10X565 would offer a rigorous, college-preparatory program and would offer all enrolled students a Career and Technical Education ("CTE") component. The school would be open to students through the Citywide High School Admissions Process and would have a limited unscreened admissions method with priority for students residing in the Bronx.

In 2010-2011, X660 had a target capacity of 1,416 students, but the building enrolled a total of 1,316 students, yielding a target building utilization rate of 93%. In 2011-2012, the building served a total of 1,280 students, yielding a target utilization rate of 90 %.

If this proposal is approved, the new school would open during the 2012-2013 school year, when it would serve approximately 105-115 students in the ninth grade. 10X565 would gradually phase in by adding one grade per year. The school is expected to reach full scale in 2015-2016 and would serve approximately 420-460 students in grades nine through twelve.

In 2015-2016, once Grace Dodge has completed its phase-out and both Crotona International and the new high school have reached full scale, there will be approximately 720-800 students served in the building, which would yield a target building utilization rate of approximately 51-56%.

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 and Crotona International 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.

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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