

Educational Impact Statement

Co-location of a New School (Frank McCourt) with Louis D. Brandeis High School (03M470), The Global Learning Collaborative (03M403), Innovation Diploma Plus (03M404), and The Urban Assembly School For Green Careers (03M402)

I. Summary of Proposal

Beginning with the 2010-2011 school year, Frank McCourt, a new school that will serve grades 9-12 when fully phased-in, will be located in school building M470 (hereinafter referred to as “M470”). M470 is located in Community School District 3 (“District 3”) at 145 W 84th Street, Manhattan. The building currently houses four schools: Louis D. Brandeis High School (03M470, “Brandeis”), The Global Learning Collaborative (03M403, “GLC”), Innovation Diploma Plus (03M404, “IDP”), and The Urban Assembly School For Green Careers (03M402, “Green Careers”).

Brandeis is in its first year of phasing-out and will continue a gradual phase-out until the 2011-2012 school year when it will officially close. The other three schools currently in M470 are all in their first year of operation. GLC and Green Careers currently serve grade 9 and will add one grade per year until they reach grades 9-12 configuration. IDP is a transfer school serving grades 9-12; it will continue to serve grades 9-12.

M470 has a capacity of 2374 and its current utilization rate is 95%. M470 has sufficient space for Brandeis, GLC, IDP, Green Careers, and Frank McCourt to operate at full organizational capacity.

In its first year of operation, Frank McCourt will serve grade 9. The school will then add one additional grade each year until 2013-2014 when the addition of grade 12 completes the grade span of the school. This proposal addresses the need to provide access to a high quality, new selective high school, and to increase the number of available high school seats in Manhattan.

II. Enrollment, Admissions, and School Performance

A. Frank McCourt

1. Enrollment

Grade Served 2010-2011:	9
Projected 2010-2011 Enrollment:	110-125
Grades Served at Scale:	9-12
Projected Enrollment at Scale:	400-440

2. Admissions

9-12: Screened

3. School Performance

Not applicable

B. GLC

1. Enrollment

Grades Currently Served:	9
Current Enrollment (As of 10/19/09 ATS Active Register):	106
Grades Served 2010-2011:	9-10
Projected 2010-2011 Enrollment:	200-220
Grades Served at Scale:	9-12
Projected Enrollment at Scale:	400-440

2. Admissions

9-12: Limited Unscreened

3. School Performance

No performance data is available because GLC is in its first year of operation.

C. IDP

1. Enrollment

Grades Currently Served:	9-12
Current Enrollment (As of 10/19/09 ATS Active Register):	116
Grades Served 2010-2011:	9-12
Projected 2010-2011 Enrollment:	225-250

Grades Served at Scale: 9-12
Projected Enrollment at Scale: 225-250

2. Admissions

9-12: Rolling. To be eligible for an interview, students must be between 16-20 years of age, must have attended another high school for at least one year, and have a minimum 6th grade reading level.

3. School Performance

No performance data is available because IDP is in its first year of operation.

D. Brandeis

1. Enrollment

Grades Currently Served: 10-12
Current Enrollment (As of 10/19/09 ATS Active Register): 1601
Grades Served 2010-2011: 11-12
Projected 2010-2011 Enrollment: 640-660
Grades Served at Scale: Not applicable (school is phasing out)
Projected Enrollment at Scale: Not applicable (school is phasing out)

2. Admissions

Not applicable (school in process of phasing out)

3. School Performance

Progress Report Scores
2007-2008: D
2008-2009: Not Applicable (school is phasing out)

To access a copy of the 2007-2008 Progress Report for Brandeis, please visit <http://schools.nyc.gov/SchoolPortals/03/M470/AboutUs/Statistics/default.htm>.

Quality Review Scores

2007-2008:	Well Developed
2008-2009:	Proficient

To access copies of the 2007-2008 and 2008-2009 Quality Review Reports for Louis Brandeis please visit <http://schools.nyc.gov/SchoolPortals/03/M470/AboutUs/Statistics/default.htm>.

Graduation Rate (2007-2008):	33.3%
Overall Federal Status (2008-2009):	Restructuring - Year 2
Overall State Status (2008-2009):	Requiring Academic Progress - Year 6
Status with Differentiated Accountability (2009-2010):	Restructuring (Advanced) - Comprehensive
Average Attendance (2008-2009):	75.3%

To access a copy of the 2008-2009 Attendance Report for Brandeis, please visit <http://schools.nyc.gov/AboutUs/data/stats/attendance/default.htm>.

E. Green Careers

1. Enrollment

Grades Currently Served:	9
Current Enrollment (As of 10/19/2009 ATS Active Register):	95
Grades Served 2010-2011:	9-10
Projected 2010-2011 Enrollment:	200-220
Grade Served at Scale:	9-12
Projected Enrollment at Scale:	400-440

2. Admissions

9-12: Limited unscreened

3. School Performance

No performance data is available because Green Careers is in its first year of operation.

III. Impact of the Proposed Co-location on the Community, Existing Schools and Students

A. Community Ramifications

Approximately 400-440 total high school seats will be gained in Manhattan by the siting of Frank McCourt in M470.

B. Existing Schools

GLC, IDP, Brandeis, and Green Careers will continue to have sufficient instructional space to serve students in M470 as planned for their respective phase-in and phase-out operations per the city wide instructional footprint. To access the citywide instructional footprint, please visit the New York City Department of Education website at http://schools.nyc.gov/NR/rdonlyres/8CF30F41-DE25-4C30-92DE-731949919FC3/65901/NYCDOE_Instructional_Footprint_revisedMay2009_noco.pdf

The gymnasium, cafeteria, science labs and auditorium will be shared between Frank McCourt and GLC, IDP, Brandeis, and Green Careers in M470. Decisions around programming of these spaces will be made by school leaders.

C. Students

Current grade 8 students will have the opportunity to apply for a September 2010 grade 9 seat at Frank McCourt through the citywide high school admissions process.

IV. Initial Costs and Savings

Based on current one-time allocations for new schools, Frank McCourt will receive approximately \$80,000 in fixed funding to cover start-up costs of the new school, and approximately \$235,000 during proposal implementation to help offset the cost of materials needed to support the additional grades.

V. Effect on Personnel Needs, Costs of Instruction, Administration, Transportation and Other Support Services

A. Personnel

Frank McCourt expects to hire additional teachers as each new grade is added; the number of positions added will be based on the release of annual enrollment projections each spring.

B. Costs of Instruction

Beginning in September 2010, Frank McCourt will receive approximately \$225,000 in fixed funding to support re-occurring administrative costs.

Once the siting is fully implemented, Frank McCourt is expected to receive approximately \$2,200,000 in additional per capita funding each year as a result of the increased enrollment. This estimate is based on current Fair Student Funding (FSF) per capita allocations of grade level weights. Student achievement and need-based allocations were not taken into account in these estimates because incoming students' achievement levels and needs cannot be predicted. These additional funds may, at the school's discretion, be used for additional teaching positions, curriculum materials, general instructional supplies, administration, or other support services. Please note that additional per capita funds allocated to the school as a result of this proposal do not represent additional system costs. FSF covers basic instructional needs and is allocated to each school based on the number and need-level of students at the school. All money allocated through FSF can be used at the principal's discretion. All dollar amounts are based on FY10 allocations and are subject to change based on adjustments to the DOE's overall operating budget.

C. Administration

Frank McCourt expects to hire additional administrative personnel as needed.

D. Transportation

Consistent with citywide policy, students in grades 9 through 12 would not be eligible for busing.

E. Other Support Services

Other support services will continue to be provided consistent with citywide policy.

VI. Building Information

A. Building Type, Age and Physical Condition

M470 is a high school building that was built in 1965. The building received an overall rating of 2.63 on the 2008-2009 Building Condition Assessment Survey ("BCAS"). To view the key for BCAS ratings, please visit <http://schools.nyc.gov/Documents/BCAS/BCAS%20Key.pdf>. To view the 2008-2009 BCAS Report for M470, please visit <http://schools.nyc.gov/SchoolPortals/03/M470/AboutUs/Statistics/facilities.htm>.

B. Fiscal Year 2009 Maintenance Costs

Labor:	\$37,419.00
Materials:	\$31,365.17

Maintenance and Repair Contracts:	\$148,858.41
Service Contracts:	\$3,900
Custodial Operations	
Materials:	\$21,251.22
Custodial Allocation:	\$520,444.85

C. Fiscal Year 2009 Energy Costs

Electric:	\$490,250.00
Gas:	\$1,912.00
Oil:	\$96,610.00

D. Recent and Planned Improvements

There were no recent improvements made to the building.

There are no planned improvements for the building.

E. Special Features

Building has a library, gymnasium, auditorium, cafeteria, music room, and science labs.