

Proposed Truncation of Middle School Grades: Enrollment Information for Secondary School Families

Overview

If the proposal to truncate Frederick Douglass Academy IV (“FDA IV”) is approved, all currently enrolled students will have the opportunity to continue their education at FDA IV.

- Current eighth grade students will have the opportunity to graduate at the end of this school year and have priority to remain in the high school grades by including the school as one of their 9th grade options.
- Current sixth and seventh grade students will move on to the next grade at FDA IV in September 2012. In each successive year, students in 8th grade at the school will have priority to remain in 9th grade by including it as one of their choices.
- FDA IV will not take in a new sixth grade class in 2012.
- Current ninth through twelfth grades will not be impacted by the proposed truncation.

Transferring to another school

Can my child transfer to another school?

All students should remain in their current school until the end of the school year. If you have a hardship issue, you should meet with your child’s guidance counselor or parent coordinator to find out about required documentation for transfer requests. There is no guarantee for a transfer.

If I apply for a transfer for my child, do I get to choose the school?

You may express a preference when you request a transfer, but transferring to a requested school may not be possible. Transfers will be offered based upon available seats.

Enrolling at your zoned school

Can my child go to his or her zoned school?

If you have a zoned middle school, you may request to have your child attend the zoned school. To find your zoned school, visit www.nyc.gov/schools or call 311. If you are interested in enrolling your child at your zoned school, please speak to your child’s guidance counselor. The guidance counselor will follow up with the Office of Student Enrollment to find out if there are available seats at the zoned school.

Promotion Policy

What if my child is not promoted?

If your child is not promoted at the end of this school year, he or she will remain in the same grade. Students in seventh and eighth grade will attend FDA IV. Current sixth grade students who are not on track to be promoted should meet with their guidance counselor. We will address each student’s needs to determine the best middle school option.

Information for 5th Grade Students

If my child applied to FDA IV on his or her Middle School Choice Application, what will happen?

This school will be removed from your list of ranked schools. The schools lower on your ranked list will be moved up on your application, in the order of preference that you listed.

Questions

If you have questions, speak with your child’s principal, guidance counselor or parent coordinator. If you are not able to reach staff members at your child’s school, call 311.