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Dear Stakeholder,

On Friday, March 11th, DCPS and the Department of General Services (DGS) held a modernization status meeting with Hyde-Addison parents and families. This letter provides a written update of the material discussed at the meeting.

As you know, the goal of the modernization project is to ensure Hyde-Addison Elementary School has the required program spaces to support instruction at Hyde-Addison. The project requires a building addition and significant underground infrastructure upgrades, which includes the relocation of a 48" sewer/storm pipe.

DCPS and DGS explored several swing space options for Hyde-Addison. As you know, one site considered was the Duke Ellington School of the Arts (DESA) Field utilizing modular units and other temporary spaces nearby to the school, such as the vacant Fillmore building. The DESA Field review included a traffic study to evaluate potential impacts to the residents, traffic flow, impacts to Georgetown University Hospital as well as the Ward 2 residents and organizations that access to the field for recreation or sports activities. DCPS and DGS will not explore this option any further.

DCPS has recommended the former Meyer Elementary School facility located at 11th and Euclid Streets, NW to the Hyde-Addison families. This is now the home of the Duke Ellington School of the Arts and would be used by Hyde-Addison after the Duke Ellington School of the Arts returns to the modernized facility.

DCPS and DGS were not able to identify a site that will be able to host the Hyde-Addison population during construction that would be ready for SY2016-2017. Therefore, DCPS has decided to postpone the start of the construction project to June 2017. In SY2017-2018, Hyde-Addison Elementary School would open at Meyer Elementary School for two years during construction. This means delaying the construction start of the project one-year. The Hyde-Addison community will return to their school for SY2019-2020.

DCPS is taking comments and questions on the proposed swing until Friday, March 25, 2016. Please submit your questions or comments at sit.info@dc.gov or <http://goo.gl/forms/zHlHrhdOaj>. DCPS will share our responses to feedback received on April 4, 2016. DCPS will work with the school leadership and SIT and share swing space decision on the Meyer facility in May 2016.

Sincerely,



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