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Rosalyn Yalow Charter School is a K-5 public charter school with academic achievement levels and enrichment experiences consistent with private academies.

BACKGROUND

Rosalyn Yalow Charter School (RYCS) is a Bronx K-5 that opened to students in fall 2015. With a mission to close the achievement gap in economically-disadvantaged communities, RYCS intends to continue to surpass literacy and numeracy expectations for our deserving students. Our school's namesake Rosalyn Yalow worked in nuclear medicine, following her special interest in radioisotopes. In the 1950s she worked with S. A. Berson at the Bronx Veterans Administration Hospital, New York, developing the method of radioimmunoassay (RIA). This important work earned Rosalyn Yalow a 1977 Nobel Prize in Physiology and Medicine.

In 2020, RYCS earned a long-term charter renewal and was named a recognition school by the New York State Education Department.

GROWTH

School Year	Grades Served	Total Enrollment	# of Facilities
2020-21	K-5	536	2
2021-22	K-5	536	1
2022-23	K-6	620	1
2023-24	K-7	710	1
2024-25	K-8	800	1

MAJOR INITIATIVES

Grow to K-8 on one campus

RYCS is housed in two separate facilities that are miles apart. This leads to inefficiencies and challenges to building one cohesive culture. During these five years, all students will be moved to one campus at Cardinal Hayes High School at 650 Grand Concourse. This facility consolidation into one building is planned for the 2021-22 school year. In 2022-23, our school will begin serving 6th grade students. By 2024-25, RYCS will be fully enrolled as a K-8 school, and our goal of serving all K-8 students in one building will be met.

Increase effectiveness of core academic components in charter

RYCS will continue to increase the efficacy of the team-teaching approach, through robust professional development. Also emphasized will be fidelity for all academic employees to the school's Math and ELA curriculum.