

May 15, 2020

Dear Ánimo College Prep Academy Family Member,

In 2011, when Green Dot Public Schools California partnered with the Los Angeles Unified School District and Partnership for LA Schools to improve outcomes at Jordan High School, we had a shared vision for a campus with multiple high school options to allow parents to pick the one that best suited their child's needs. Since then, we have seen tremendous academic growth and built a strong community in Watts. As we approach the end of the 2019-20 school year, we are proud of the progress and success we have achieved at Ánimo College Prep Academy.

However, after reviewing declining enrollment trends for Ánimo College Prep Academy, we have determined that our ability to provide students with the caliber of robust programs and support we have provided the last 9 years is hindered by the continued decline in enrollment. For this reason, we will be closing Ánimo College Prep Academy effective June 30, 2020.

We recognize that this news comes at a time of uncertainty and that, even in the best of times, change can lead to anxiety. To make sure you are fully supported during this transition, Ánimo College Prep Academy's principal, assistant principals, and counselors are on hand to provide assistance and discuss your options. We are committed to creating a transition with the least disruption of learning as possible. The ACPA staff will support students through their transition as they choose a school for next year. All Ánimo College Prep Academy 9th through 11th graders will be able to enroll at Jordan High School or at other nearby public schools. **Please be aware that school will remain in session through the end of the school year, as originally planned.**

Green Dot's commitment has always been—and will remain—creating public education options that work for all kids. We are excited to see Ánimo College Prep Academy students continue to grow, advance in their education, and become leaders in their community.

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