Low budget slows magnet school plans

By Glenn Brownstein

Although a previous budget problem has limited the extent of its programs, the Marcus Umana Harbor School of Science and Technology, MIT's "magnet" school in East Boston Phase II desegregation plan, opened on schedule for fall.

Community opposition to turning East Boston High into the "magnet" school led to the reassessment of events that has led to the funding shortage at the new school.

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