

["Parent Reactions - Closure of Walter Palmer Charter School"](#)

YouTube

"Overwhelming financial and legal troubles forced Philadelphia's Walter D. Palmer Leadership Learning Partners Charter School to close its high school on 10/27/14, a decision that abruptly displaced over 300 students. That evening, school founder Dr. Walter D. Palmer and school administrators held a meeting with families to discuss the circumstances that led to the closure as well as options for migrating the displaced high school students."

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**Magazine**

School Shuts for Good Today"

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"Philly Charter

by DAN

North Philadelphia's Wakisha Charter School is closing for good today, a rare shuttering of the school in the middle of the year. The school served sixth through eighth grades.

Wakisha opened in 2000 but ran into financial problems in recent years due to dwindling enrollment. The board voted to close last month.

Earlier this year, Wakisha defended itself against formal complaints of irregular bookkeeping. In a letter sent home to parents, the school said it was down to "three administrators, and 10 classroom teachers and support staff" last week.

Another school, Walter D. Palmer Leadership Learning Partners Charter School — a K-8 school with campuses Frankford and Nolibis — had trouble making payroll earlier this month. Palmer said it was a "timing issue." The Palmer school closed its high school about a month ago.

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**Action News**

["Philadelphia charter school closing its doors"](#)

**6ABC**

**WPVI-TV, Philadelphia, PA**

Walter Palmer announced this weekend that his charter school is closing. The School District of Philadelphia and the courts had already shut down the high school. Palmer had been battling to keep the lower school open. In a letter Friday, Palmer wrote:

*"It is with a sad and troubled heart that I notify you of the Walter D. Palmer Leadership Learning Partners Charter School's Board of Trustees decision...to permanently close the school on Wednesday, December 31, 2014."*

But a spokesperson with the school district released a statement saying:

*"The Walter Palmer organization has not informed the School District of its plans to close the charter school."*