



CHICAGO PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Paul G. Vallas
Chief Executive Officer

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COMMUNICATION RE: SCHOOL CLOSING

Gery J. Chico, President, and the
Members of the Chicago Board of Education:

Norman R. Bobins
Dr. Tariq Butt
Avis LaVelle
Michael N. Mayo
Clare M. Muñana
Gene R. Saffold

Mr. President and Members of the Board:

At this time, I would like to recommend the closing of a school. Pursuant to the Policy on the Closing and Consolidation of Schools, I must make recommendations of proposed school closings to the Board by no later than the May Board meeting.

I hereby recommend that the Riis Elementary School, 1018 S. Lytle Street, be closed at the end of this current school year.

Prior to the Board taking any final action on my recommendation for the 2001-2002 school year, pursuant to the Policy on the Closing and Consolidation of Schools, the Department of Operations will formulate a three-year enrollment projection report for the Riis School and an analysis of the proposed school closure's impact on neighboring schools. In addition, members of my staff will hold a public hearing regarding the proposed school closing. At this hearing, members of my staff will take comments from the school community and the public at large.

Sincerely,

Paul G. Vallas
Chief Executive Officer