

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING PARENT/FAMILY INVOLVEMENT AND RECOGNITION OF LOCAL SCHOOLS AWARDED PARENT/FAMILY INVOLVEMENT MINIGRANTS

WHEREAS, the goal of the Chicago Public Schools' Children First Education Plan is to assure Chicago's public school students will be well prepared for the future, and

WHEREAS, findings from recent research cite that:

- When parents are involved in their children's education, those children have higher grades, better attendance, and complete homework more consistently, and
- When parent involvement activities are well planned, inclusive and comprehensive at all grade levels, there are long-lasting gains for all students, and

WHEREAS, on September 24, 1997 the Chicago Board of Education adopted a Parent Involvement Resolution (97-0924-RS5) to support the development, implementation, and regular evaluation of a parent involvement policy and program in every school which will involve parents at all grade levels in a variety of roles, and

WHEREAS, on April 24, 1996 the Chicago Board of Education adopted a Resolution Approving the Formation of a PTA (Parent Teacher Association) Advisory Committee (96-0424-RS5) to promote parent involvement in the Chicago Public Schools, and

WHEREAS, for the third year, the Office of Deputy Chief Education Officer Carlos M. Azcoitia has continued the competitive parent/family involvement minigrant program and other parent/community partnerships using local funds and the assistance of volunteers from the PTA Advisory Committee to evaluate 103 applications.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHICAGO BOARD OF EDUCATION:

- That the commitment to meaningful parent/family involvement continues to be encouraged in every Chicago public school, and
- That the following 23 schools that received parent/family involvement minigrants in March 2002 be recognized for their efforts to extend parent/family partnerships:

**Hans Christian Andersen Community Academy
Alexander Graham Bell Regional Gifted Center
Blair Early Childhood Center
Charles S. Brownell Elementary
Chicago Agricultural High School
Jose de Diego Community Academy
Edward C. Delano Elementary
Fernwood Elementary
Joseph E. Gary Elementary
John C. Haines Elementary
Healy South
Washington Irving Elementary**

**Nancy B. Jefferson Alternative School
Jordan Community Academy
George Leland Elementary
Alfred Nobel Elementary
Jose Clemente Orozco Community Academy
Richards Career Academy
Stone Scholastic Academy
Telpochcalli Elementary
Turner-Drew Language Academy
Jacqueline Vaughn Occupational High School
Carter J. Woodson South Elementary**