

June 26, 2002

**ESTABLISH THE ASHBURN COMMUNITY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AS AN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
SERVING GRADES KINDERGARTEN THROUGH EIGHTH**

**THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDS:**

Effective July 1, 2002, establish the Ashburn Community Area elementary school (formerly St. Denis, a leased facility), located at 8300 S. St. Louis Avenue, as a kindergarten through eighth-grade elementary school.

**DESCRIPTION:**

A new kindergarten through eighth grade elementary school is being established in a wing of St. Denis Catholic school. This school will be operated independently of the rest of the building, which will be occupied as a branch of Hurley elementary school. While the school is being established without an attendance area, students will be enrolled in the following priority order:

1. Students residing in the Carroll/Rosenwald attendance area, who have been involuntarily assigned to other schools.
2. Students residing in the Carroll/Rosenwald attendance area, who choose to apply to the new school.
3. Students from other attendance areas.

If the number of students applying is greater than the number of available seats, lotteries will be held in the same priority order, using the same procedures now in place for magnet schools.

For the purpose of future local school council elections, the local school council community voting area will be the same as the Carroll/Rosenwald attendance area.

The Comprehensive Student Assignment Plan, adopted by the Board of Education on January 22, 1982 (Board Report 82-12), states: "The Board will seek to eliminate overcrowded schools to the greatest extent practicable considering all circumstances."

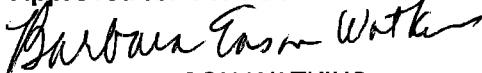
**LSC REVIEW:** Not applicable.

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION STATUS:** Not applicable.

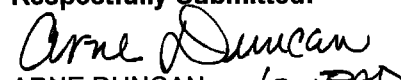
**FINANCIAL:** No additional cost to the Chicago Public Schools

**PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS:** None.


**Approved for Consideration:**

  
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**Respectfully Submitted:**

  
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