

APPROVE THE RESTRUCTURING AND RENAMING OF THE CURRENT MICHELE CLARK MIDDLE SCHOOL AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE MICHELE CLARK ACADEMIC PREPARATORY HIGH SCHOOL

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve the restructuring and renaming of the current Michele Clark Middle School located at 5101 West Harrison Street and the establishment of the Michele Clark Academic Preparatory High School.

DESCRIPTION:

Michele Clark Middle School located at 5101 West Harrison Street shall be expanded and restructured as the Michele Clark Academic Preparatory High School. The new Michele Clark Academic Preparatory High School will serve grades 6-12. The current Michele Clark Middle School contains 6-8th grade classes in the current year.

Enrollment:

The new Michele Clark Academic Preparatory High School shall enroll students by application following the process set in the Options-for-Knowledge requirements. In the event that the number of qualified applicants exceeds the school's enrollment capacity, applicants shall be selected by lottery. Prospective applicants have been notified of the requirements through their schools. The application deadline is April 30, 2002.

Boundaries:

Attendance boundaries changes are reflected in a separate Board Report.

Curriculum:

The new Michele Clark Academic Preparatory High School will offer a rigorous, accelerated curriculum, over a seven-year period in English, mathematics, science, social studies, foreign language, physical education, technology and the arts. Global strategies and collaborations with students, teachers, and college personnel, along with internship opportunities, will enable students to develop critical thinking skills and knowledge for educational advancement. The criteria for teacher selection at Michele Clark Academic Preparatory High School shall reflect the structure and content of the restructured curriculum.

Name:

The facility located at 5110 West Harrison Street previously known as Michele Clark Middle School shall hereby be named Michele Clark Academic Preparatory High School.

LSC REVIEW:

Local school council elections for the new Michele Clark Academic Preparatory High School shall be held as currently scheduled.


AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Not applicable.

FINANCIAL: This action is at no cost to the Board.

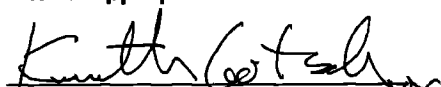
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Barbara Eason-Watkins
Chief Education Officer

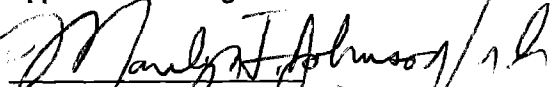
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Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:


Kenneth C. Gotsch
Chief Fiscal Officer

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General Counsel