

CHANGE THE GRADE STRUCTURE FOR ARAI MIDDLE SCHOOL, BRENNEMANN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, MCCUTCHEON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, STEWART ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, AND STOCKTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND ADJUST THE ATTENDANCE BOUNDARY OF ARAI MIDDLE SCHOOL

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDS:

Effective July 1, 2005, change the grade structure for Arai Middle School, located at 900 W. Wilson Avenue. Change the grade structure for Brennemann Elementary School located at 4251 N. Clarendon Avenue, McCutcheon Elementary School located at 7865 N. Sheridan Road, Stewart Elementary School located at 4525 N. Kenmore Avenue and Stockton Elementary School located at 4420 N. Beacon Street.

A Public Hearing was held on January 12, 2005 at the Board Offices located at 125 S. Clark to receive public comment on the proposed grade and boundary changes.

DESCRIPTION:

These changes are possible due to decline in enrollment at Brennemann Elementary School, McCutcheon Elementary School, Stewart Elementary School and Stockton Elementary School. These changes will affect only newly enrolled students. Students currently enrolled will not be required to transfer.

The Modified Desegregation Consent Decree entered on March 1, 2004 by the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois in U.S. v. Chicago Board of Education, 80 C 5124 states: "CPS shall alleviate any racially and ethnically disproportionate overcrowding of school sites, to the extent practicable." Modified Consent Decree at Section I(G)(1), p. 9.

Change the grade structure and Adjust the Attendance Area for Arai Middle School (Unit 4590):

Effective July 1 2005, Arai Middle will serve grade eight only:

Effective July 1 2006, Arai Middle will no longer act as a middle school for Brennemann, McCutcheon, Stewart or Stockton Elementary schools:

Beginning at Clark Street and Lawrence Avenue
 East to the alley between Racine Avenue and Winthrop Avenue
 North to Ainslie Street
 East to Kenmore Avenue
 North to Argyle Street
 East to Sheridan Road
 North to Carmen Avenue
 East to Lake Michigan
 South to Sheridan road
 West to Broadway
 Northwest to Irving Park Road
 West to Sheridan Road
 North to Buena Avenue
 West to the CM ST & PP Railroad
 South to Irving Park Road
 West to Clark Street
 Northwest to the Starting Point.

Change the grade structure for Brennemann Elementary School (Unit 6600):

Effective July 1 2005, Brennemann will serve grades kindergarten through seventh:

Effective July 1 2006, Brennemann will serve grades kindergarten through eighth:

Beginning Leland Avenue and Hazel Street

Northwest to Irving Park Road
West to Sheridan Road
North to Agatite Avenue
East to Hazel Street
North to the Starting Point.

Change the grade structure for McCutcheon Elementary School (Unit 6910):

Effective July 1 2005, McCutcheon will serve grades kindergarten through seventh:

Effective July 1 2006, McCutcheon will serve grades kindergarten through eighth:

Beginning at the alley between Racine Avenue and Winthrop Avenue and Ainslie Street
East to Kenmore Avenue
North to Argyle Street
East to Sheridan Road
North to Carmen Avenue
East to Lake Michigan
South to Leland Avenue
West to Hazel Street (Extended)
North to Lawrence Avenue
West to the alley between Racine Avenue and Winthrop Avenue
North to the Starting Point.

Change the grade structure for Stewart Elementary School (Unit 6040):

Effective July 1 2005, Stewart will serve grades kindergarten through seventh:

Effective July 1 2006, Stewart will serve grades kindergarten through eighth:

Beginning at Broadway and Lawrence Avenue
East to Hazel Street (Extended)
South to Agatite Avenue
West to Sheridan Road
South to Buena Avenue
West to the CM ST & PP Railroad
North to Montrose Avenue
West to Clifton Avenue
North to Sunnyside Avenue
West to Racine Avenue
North to Wilson Avenue
East to Broadway
Northwest to Starting Point.

Change the grade structure for Stockton Elementary School (Unit 6060):

Effective July 1 2005, Stockton will serve grades kindergarten through seventh:

Effective July 1 2006, Stockton will serve grades kindergarten through eighth:

Beginning at Clark Street and Lawrence Avenue
East to Broadway
Southeast to Wilson Avenue
West to Racine Avenue
South to Sunnyside Avenue
East to Clifton Avenue
South to Montrose Avenue
East to the CM ST & PP Railroad
South to Irving Park Road
West to Clark Street
Northwest to Starting Point.

LSC REVIEW: Not applicable.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION STATUS: Not applicable.

FINANCIAL: No additional cost to the Chicago Public Schools

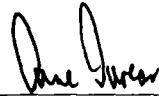
PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS: These schools will be staffed according to the ratios in the Agreement between the Board of Education of the City of Chicago and the Chicago Teachers Union.

Approved for Consideration:

Approved:



Barbara Eason-Watkins
Chief Education Officer



Arne Duncan
Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:



John Maiorca
Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to legal form:



Ruth Moscovitch
General Counsel