

ESTABLISH ATTENDANCE BOUNDARIES FOR THE NEW HAUGAN MIDDLE CAMPUS OF THE ASPIRA CHARTER SCHOOL (FORMERLY KNOWN AS THE MIRTA RAMIREZ COMPUTER SCIENCE CHARTER SCHOOL), CHANGE THE GRADE STRUCTURE AND ADJUST THE ATTENDANCE BOUNDARY FOR THE HELGE A. HAUGAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND REMOVE HAUGAN ELEMENTARY FROM CONTROLLED ENROLLMENT, ADJUST THE ATTENDANCE BOUNDARIES FOR HIBBARD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND ALBANY PARK MULTICULTURAL ACADEMY

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDS:

Effective July 1, 2005, establish attendance boundaries for the new Haugan Middle Campus of the ASPIRA Charter School (formerly known as the Mirta Ramirez Computer Science Charter School), located at 3729 W. Leland Street to relieve overcrowding, change the grade structure and adjust the attendance boundary of Helge A. Haugan Elementary School located at 4540 N. Hamlin Avenue and also remove this school from controlled enrollment. Adjust the attendance boundaries of the William G. Hibbard Elementary School located at 3244 W. Ainslie Street, and Albany Park Multicultural Academy 5039 N. Kimball Avenue.

A public hearing was held on January 14, 2005 at the Board Offices located at 125 S. Clark to discuss the proposed grade and boundary changes.

DESCRIPTION: Currently Haugan Elementary School serves grades kindergarten through eighth for its own attendance area. Due to severe overcrowding, Haugan has been placed on controlled enrollment. These changes are necessary due to the anticipated opening of the new Haugan Middle Campus of the ASPIRA Charter School, built to reduce overcrowding at the Haugan Elementary School.

Effective July 1, 2005, the new Haugan Middle Campus of the ASPIRA Charter School (formerly known as the Mirta Ramirez Computer Science Charter School) established under Board Report 02-0925-EX02, as amended by 05-0126-EX13, will receive an attendance boundary for sixth through eighth grade students in the Haugan attendance area to receive priority to attend the charter school. The Charter School's name change, attendance boundary designation and the new campus are subject to approval by the Illinois State Board of Education.

Also effective July 1, 2005, Haugan Elementary School will reduce its grade structure to serve only grades kindergarten through fifth. These changes will affect all sixth through eighth grade students residing within the Haugan attendance boundary and all newly enrolled students beginning July 1, 2005.

Section 27A-4(d) of the Illinois Charter Schools Law authorizes the Board to designate attendance boundaries for certain charter schools to relieve overcrowding or to better serve low-income and at-risk students. Students residing within the attendance boundary of the new Haugan Middle Campus of the ASPIRA Charter School will be given priority for enrollment, but will not be required to attend the Charter School. Students who do not wish to attend the new Haugan Middle Campus of the ASPIRA Charter School will be eligible to enroll at Marshall Middle School as their alternate attendance boundary school.

Effective July 1, 2005, Haugan Elementary School will be removed from controlled enrollment.

A minor boundary change is required between the Haugan attendance area and the Hibbard/Albany Park attendance area to make school boundaries align with streets. This change will affect only newly enrolled students. Currently enrolled students will not be required to transfer to their new home school.

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 Boundary for Haugan Elementary School (Unit 3810):

Effective July 1, 2005, Haugan Elementary School will serve pre-kindergarten through fifth grade students:

Beginning at Keeler Avenue and Lawrence Avenue
East to Spaulding Avenue
South to the Sunnyside Avenue
West to Drake Avenue
South to Montrose Avenue
West to Monticello Avenue
South to Cullom Avenue
West to Lawndale Avenue
South to Berteau Avenue
West to Ridgeway Avenue
South to Ridgeway Avenue and Bell Plaine Avenue
West to Bell Plaine Avenue and Elston Avenue
Northwest along Elston to Pulaski Road
North to Montrose Avenue
West to Elston Avenue
Northwest to Kiona Avenue
Northeast to Kelso Avenue
Northwest to Kiona Avenue
Northeast to Leland Avenue
West to Keeler Avenue
North to the Starting Point

Establish a New Attendance Boundary and Grade Structure for the new Haugan Middle Campus of the ASPIRA Charter School (Unit 7070):

Effective July 1, 2005, the new Haugan Middle Campus of the ASPIRA Charter School will serve sixth through eighth grade students:

Beginning at Keeler Avenue and Lawrence Avenue
East to Spaulding Avenue
South to the Sunnyside Avenue
West to Drake Avenue
South to Montrose Avenue
West to Monticello Avenue
South to Cullom Avenue
West to Lawndale Avenue
South to Berteau Avenue
West to Ridgeway Avenue
South to Ridgeway Avenue and Bell Plaine Avenue
West to Bell Plaine Avenue and Elston Avenue
Northwest along Elston to Pulaski Road
North to Montrose Avenue
West to Elston Avenue
Northwest to Kiona Avenue
Northeast to Kelso Avenue
Northwest to Kiona Avenue
Northeast to Leland Avenue
West to Keeler Avenue
North to the Starting Point

Adjust the Attendance Boundary for Hibbard Elementary School (Unit 4000):

Effective July 1, 2005, Hibbard Elementary School will serve grades pre-kindergarten through sixth:

Beginning at St. Louis Avenue and Foster Avenue
East to Kedzie Avenue
South to the North Branch of the Chicago River
East and South along the river to Lawrence Avenue
West to Sacramento Avenue
South to Leland Avenue
West to Albany Avenue
South to Wilson Avenue
West to Spaulding Avenue
North to Lawrence Avenue
West to St. Louis Avenue
North to starting point.

Adjust the Attendance Boundary for Albany Park Middle School (Unit 6290):

Effective July 1, 2005, Albany Park Middle School will serve grades seventh through eighth:

Beginning at St. Louis Avenue and Foster Avenue
East to Kedzie Avenue
South to the North Branch of the Chicago River
East and South along the river to Lawrence Avenue
West to Sacramento Avenue
South to Leland Avenue
West to Albany Avenue
South to Wilson Avenue
West to Spaulding Avenue
North to Lawrence Avenue
West to St. Louis Avenue
North to starting point.

LSC REVIEW: Not applicable.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION STATUS: Not applicable.

FINANCIAL: No additional cost to the Chicago Public Schools

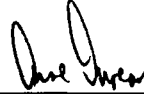
PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS: The CPS schools referenced in this Board Report will be staffed in accordance with the Agreement between the Board of Education of the City of Chicago and the Chicago Teachers Union.

Approved for Consideration:



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Approved:



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Within Appropriation:



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