

APPROVE THE PLAN FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF INSTRUCTION FOR DISADVANTAGED STUDENTS IN THE CHICAGO PUBLIC SCHOOLS, AS REQUIRED BY SECTION 18-8.05(H) OF THE ILLINOIS SCHOOL CODE

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve the Plan for the Improvement of Instruction for Disadvantaged Students in the Chicago Public Schools to be submitted by December 31, 2005, to the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) for the 2005-2006 school year, as required in Section 18-8.05(H) of the Illinois School Code, as revised by P.A. 90-548. A copy of the Plan is on file in the Office of the Board.

DESCRIPTION:

This Plan has been developed in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the Illinois State Board of Education. This Plan provides for a broad spectrum of activities which enrich the quality of the educational program in each school by providing additional instructional and supportive services to children and includes an evaluation component that will measure the effectiveness of these activities.

A minimum of \$261 million is to be earmarked for supplementary programs in fiscal 2006. The regulations require that a Plan for the expenditure of these funds be submitted to the ISBE prior to December 31, 2005.

LSC REVIEW:

Individual local school plans for the use of the Supplemental General State Aid, have been approved by the local school councils.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION REVIEW:

Not applicable.

FINANCIAL:

Appropriations for the Plan are provided in the School Budget for 2005-2006.

PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS:

Implementation of this Board action may result in the establishment of new school-level positions during the 2005-2006 fiscal year.

Approved for Consideration:



BARBARA EASON-WATKINS
Chief Education Officer

Approved:




ARNE DUNCAN
Chief Executive Officer

Noted:



JOHN MAIORCA
Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to Legal Form: 



PATRICK ROCKS
General Counsel