

**CONSOLIDATE CARVER MIDDLE SCHOOL INTO CARVER PRIMARY SCHOOL,  
ADJUST THE GRADE STRUCTURE OF CARVER PRIMARY SCHOOL AND  
RENAME CARVER PRIMARY SCHOOL TO CARVER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

**THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDS:**

That, effective at the end of the July 1, 2008, the Chicago Board of Education consolidate the George Washington Carver Middle School, located at 801 East 133<sup>rd</sup> Place (unit 2700, school ID 609847) into the George Washington Carver Primary School, located at 901 East 133<sup>rd</sup> Place (unit 2690, school ID 609845); that the attendance area of Carver Primary be adjusted to include the attendance area of Carver Middle; that the grade structure of Carver Primary be adjusted from kindergarten through third to kindergarten through eighth and that Carver Primary School be renamed Carver Elementary School. Students currently attending Carver Middle and not expected to graduate at the end of the current school year will be transferred to Carver Primary.

**DESCRIPTION:**

Pursuant to the Board of Education's Policy on the Consolidation of Schools, 05-1221-PO1 ("the Policy"), and following a public hearing, the Chief Executive Officer of the Chicago Public Schools ("CEO") may recommend to the Board the consolidation of schools for any of the reasons for such action stated in the Policy.

Pursuant to the Policy, a public hearing was convened on February 13, 2008, following the issuance of proper notice to receive public comment on the CEO's proposal to consolidate Carver Middle School into Carver Primary School and to adjust the grade structure of Carver Primary due to the underutilization of those schools. An independent hearing officer received oral and/or written comments and supporting documents at the hearing and kept the record open after the hearing to receive additional written comments or documentation. Transcripts of the public hearing have been provided to the Board. The hearing officer has prepared and submitted a report regarding the CEO's proposal in which the hearing officer recommends the consolidation of the Carver Primary and Carver Middle Schools and the grade structure change of the Carver Primary School. After receiving the hearing officer's report, the CEO has determined to recommend that the Board consolidate Carver Middle into Carver Primary at the end of the 2007-2008 school year and reassign Carver Middle's attendance area to Carver Primary. In making that recommendation, the CEO has considered the availability of space at Carver Primary School, which is in close proximity to Carver Middle, and also considered the physical condition of the Carver Middle School building and facilities and the potential for alternative use of the Carver Middle site.

**Attendance Area Boundary for the George Washington Carver Primary School (Unit #2690, School ID #609845)**

*Grades kindergarten through eighth:*

Beginning at the Union Pacific RR (at Dr M L King Dr) and 134th St  
East to St Lawrence Ave  
North to 133rd St  
East to Langley Ave  
North to 131st St  
East to Evans Ave  
North to 130<sup>th</sup> St  
East to the Calumet River  
South to 138th St and the city limits  
West to the Union Pacific RR (at Dr M L King Dr)  
North to the starting point

**LSC REVIEW:** Not applicable.

**AFFIRMATIVE**

**ACTION STATUS:** Not applicable.

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

**LSC**

**IMPLICATIONS:** Pursuant to the School Consolidation Policy, the Local School Council of Carver Middle School will be dissolved effective June 30, 2008 upon the consolidation of Carver Middle and Carver Primary Schools.

**PERSONNEL**

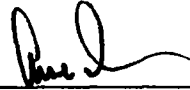
**IMPLICATIONS:** The employment status of all faculty and staff members currently assigned to Carver Middle School will be determined pursuant to Board policies and any applicable collective bargaining agreements.

**Approved for Consideration:**

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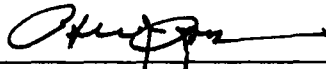


**Barbara Eason-Watkins**  
Chief Education Officer



**Arne Duncan**  
Chief Executive Officer

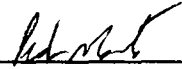
**Approved As to Legal Form:**



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**Patrick Rocks**  
General Counsel

**Within Appropriation:**



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**Pedro Martinez**  
Chief Financial Officer