

**CLOSE NATHAN R. GOLDBLATT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
AND ADJUST THE ATTENDANCE AREA OF HELEN M. HEFFERAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDS:

That effective June 30, 2013, the Chicago Board of Education close Nathan R. Goldblatt Elementary School (School ID 610348) ("Goldblatt"), located at 4257 West Adams Street, Chicago, Illinois, for space utilization reasons, reassign returning Goldblatt students to Helen M. Hefferan Elementary School (School ID 609985) ("Hefferan"), located at 4409 West Wilcox Street, Chicago, Illinois, and that the attendance area of Hefferan be adjusted to include the Goldblatt attendance area.

DESCRIPTION:

Pursuant to the Illinois School Code Sections 34-200 through 34-232, the Chief Executive Officer's Guidelines for School Actions, and the Board of Education's Policy on the Review and Establishment of School Attendance Boundaries, 05-0622-PO1, the Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") of the Chicago Public Schools may recommend the closing of schools and the adjustment of school attendance boundaries.

Pursuant to legal requirements, two community meetings were convened on April 10, 2013, and April 15, 2013, at Raby High School, located at 3545 West Fulton Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois, and a public hearing was convened on April 29, 2013, at 125 South Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois, following the issuance of proper notice. An independent hearing officer received oral and written comments and supporting documents at the hearing and kept the record open after the meeting to receive additional written comments or documentation. A transcript of the hearing and summaries of the community meetings have been provided to the Board. The hearing officer reported that the CEO's proposal met the requirements of the law and summarized comments and written documentation received. After receiving the hearing officer's report, the CEO has decided to recommend that the Board close Goldblatt effective June 30, 2013, reassign Goldblatt's returning students to Hefferan, and assign Goldblatt's attendance area to Hefferan.

**Adjust Attendance Area Boundary of Helen M. Hefferan Elementary School
(School ID 609985)**

4409 West Wilcox Street, Chicago, Illinois

Effective June 30, 2013, for grades Kindergarten through eighth;

Beginning at Kilpatrick Ave and Washington Blvd

East to Kildare Ave

South to Madison St

East to Keeler Ave

South to Monroe St

East to Karlov Ave

South to Adams St

East to Pulaski Rd

South to Gladys Ave

West to Kildare Ave

South to the Eisenhower Expy

West to Kostner Ave

North to Harrison St

Southwest to Kilbourn Ave

North to Gladys Ave

West to Kolmar Ave

North to Jackson Blvd
West to Kenton Ave
North to Adams St
West to Kilpatrick Ave
North to the starting point

LSC IMPLICATIONS: Goldblatt's Local School Council will be dissolved effective June 30, 2013, upon the closing of Goldblatt.

FINANCIAL: The financial implications associated with this school action will be addressed during the development of the fiscal year 2014 budget. Since the School Code of Illinois prohibits the incurring of any liability unless an appropriation has been previously made, expenditures beyond FY13 are deemed to be contingent liabilities only, subject to appropriation in subsequent fiscal year budgets.


PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS: The employment status of all faculty and staff members currently assigned to the schools affected by this authorization will be determined pursuant to Board policies and any collective bargaining agreements.

Approved for Consideration:

Respectfully Submitted:

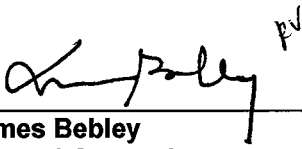


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