

**CLOSE FRANCIS PARKMAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
AND ADJUST THE ATTENDANCE AREA OF JESSE SHERWOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDS:

That effective June 30, 2013, the Chicago Board of Education close Francis Parkman Elementary School (School ID 610114) ("Parkman"), located at 245 West 51st Street, Chicago, Illinois, for space utilization reasons, reassign returning Parkman students to Jesse Sherwood Elementary School (School ID 610173) ("Sherwood"), located at 245 West 57th Street, Chicago, Illinois, and that the attendance area of Sherwood be adjusted to include the Parkman 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 9, 2013, and April 13, 2013, at Dunbar High School, located at 3000 South King Drive, Chicago, Illinois, and a public hearing was convened on April 19, 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 Parkman effective June 30, 2013, reassign Parkman's returning students to Sherwood, and assign Parkman's attendance area to Sherwood.

**Adjust Attendance Area Boundary of Jesse Sherwood Elementary School
(School ID 610173)**

245 West 57th Street, Chicago, Illinois

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

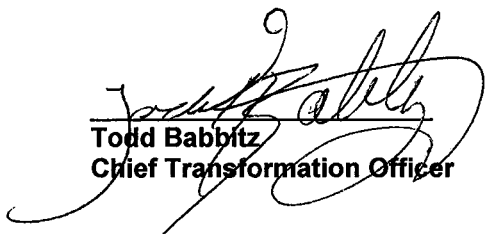
Beginning at the C&WI RR and 47th St
East to the Dan Ryan Expy
South to Garfield Blvd
East to the CRI&P RR (at Federal St)
South to 59th St
West to the C&WI RR (at Wallace St)
North to the starting point

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

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:



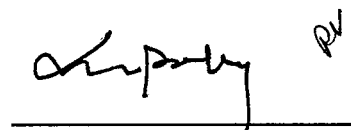
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Respectfully Submitted:



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Chief Executive Officer

Approved as to Legal Form:



James Bebley
General Counsel