

**CLOSE AUSTIN O. SEXTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL,
ADJUST THE ATTENDANCE AREA OF JOHN FISKE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL,
AND RELOCATE JOHN FISKE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TO
THE 6020 SOUTH LANGLEY AVENUE FACILITY**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDS:

That effective June 30, 2013, the Chicago Board of Education close Austin O. Sexton Elementary School (School ID 610169) ("Sexton"), located at 6020 South Langley Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, for space utilization reasons, reassign returning Sexton students to John Fiske Elementary School (School ID 609919) ("Fiske"), located at 6145 South Ingleside Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, adjust the attendance area of Fiske to include the Sexton attendance area, and relocate Fiske to the site of the former Sexton school.

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 Kenwood High School, located at 5015 South Blackstone Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, and a public hearing was convened on April 22, 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 Sexton effective June 30, 2013, reassign Sexton's returning students to Fiske, assign Sexton's attendance area to Fiske, and relocate Fiske to 6020 South Langley Avenue.

**Adjust Attendance Area Boundary of John Fiske Elementary School
(School ID 609919)**

Current location: 6145 South Ingleside Avenue, Chicago, Illinois
New location: 6020 South Langley Avenue, Chicago, Illinois
Effective June 30, 2013, for grades Kindergarten through eighth;

Beginning at Dr Martin Luther King Jr Dr and 60th St
East to Woodlawn Ave
South to 63rd St
West to Dr Martin Luther King Jr Dr
North to the starting point

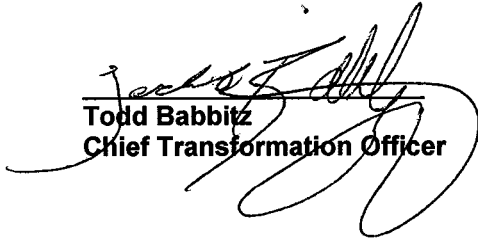
LSC IMPLICATIONS: Sexton's Local School Council will be dissolved effective June 30, 2013, upon the closing of Sexton.

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.

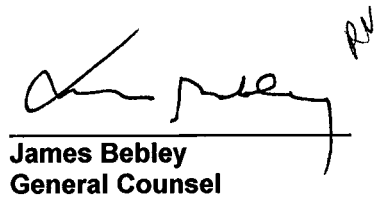
Approved for Consideration:

Respectfully Submitted:


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