

February 13, 2014

**APPROVE APPLICATION FOR A MODIFICATION OF ISBE RULE****THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDS:**

That the Chicago Board of Education (the "Board") approves the application for a modification of an Illinois State Board Education (ISBE) rule regarding the electronic No Child Left Behind (NCLB) School and District Improvement Plans.

**PUBLIC HEARING AND NOTICES:** Section 2-3.25g of the Illinois School Code requires the Board to consider the application and listen to public comments from staff, parents, and other interested parties. A Special Board Meeting will be held on February 13, 2014 for this purpose with notice provided through websites [www.cps.edu](http://www.cps.edu) and [www.cpsboe.org](http://www.cpsboe.org) at least fourteen days prior. Notice was also published in a Chicago newspaper and provided to State legislators representing Chicago and collective bargaining agents as required by Section 2-3.25g of the Illinois School Code.

**DESCRIPTION OF APPLICATION:** The request for a modification regarding the electronic NCLB School and District Improvement Plan is as follows:


*Under Section 1116 of NCLB, each school identified for school improvement must submit a school improvement plan. Under the 23 Illinois Administrative Code Section 1.85(d), the ISBE requires that each revised school or district improvement plan must be submitted to the State Superintendent using an electronic format made available for this purpose. The ISBE currently requires that schools and districts submit these plans through the ISBE electronic system.*

CPS schools currently prepare Continuous Improvement Work Plan (CIWP) every 2 years to satisfy the requirements set forth in Section 34-2.4 of the Illinois School Code. The CIWP is completed through the CPS electronic tool. In an effort to eliminate duplication of effort, CPS would like to use the CIWP which will at least include all the components required by NCLB and the ISBE's electronic system.

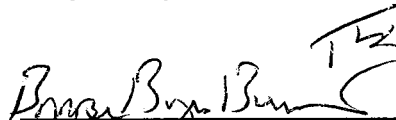
This modification would allow the district and its schools to use the CIWP to comply with its school improvement plan requirements.

**AUTHORIZATION:** Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to execute the application described above and submit it to the ISBE in accordance with Section 2-3.25g of the School Code.

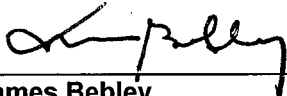
Approved for Consideration:

  
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John Barker  
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Respectfully Submitted:

  
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Barbara Byrd-Bennett  
Chief Executive Officer

Approved as to Legal Form:

  
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