

February 22, 2017

CLOSE EARLY COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL**THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDS:**

That effective July 1, 2017, the Chicago Board of Education close Early College High School (School ID 610070) ("Early College"), because as of November 1, 2016 zero students were enrolled. There is no designated welcoming school since Early College has zero students enrolled. Early College is a citywide school with no attendance area boundary.

DESCRIPTION:

Pursuant to the Illinois School Code Sections 34-200 through 34-232 and the Chief Executive Officer's Guidelines on School Actions, the Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") of the Chicago Public Schools may recommend to the Board the closure of schools.

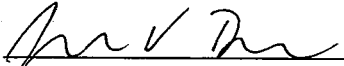
Pursuant to legal requirements, two community meetings were held on January 12, 2017 and January 17, 2017 at Wells Community High School, located at 936 North Ashland Avenue, and a public hearing was convened on January 26, 2017 at 42 West Madison Street following the issuance of proper notice. An independent hearing officer received oral and written comments and supporting documents at the hearing and kept the record open after the meeting to receive additional 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 documentation received. After receiving the hearing officer's report, the CEO has decided to recommend that the Board authorize the closure of Early College.

LSC IMPLICATIONS: There is no LSC at Early College.

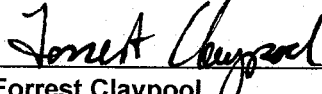
PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS: There are no faculty or staff at Early College.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: The financial impact of this authorization will be addressed during the development of the fiscal 2017 budget. Because the School Code of Illinois prohibits the incurring of any liability unless an appropriation has been previously made, expenditures beyond FY16 are considered contingent liabilities only, subject to appropriation in subsequent fiscal year budgets.


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