

February 28, 2018

**CONSOLIDATE ROSARIO CASTELLANOS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL INTO LAZARO CARDENAS
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDS:

That effective June 30, 2018, the Chicago Board of Education consolidate Rosario Castellanos Elementary School (School ID 609826) ("Castellanos"), located at 2524 South Central Park Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, into Lazaro Cardenas Elementary School (School ID 610024) ("Cardenas"), located at 2345 South Millard Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, and incorporate the new grade levels into Cardenas.

DESCRIPTION:

Pursuant to the Illinois School Code Sections 34-200 through 34-230 and 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 or consolidation of schools and the adjustment of school attendance boundaries.

Pursuant to the legal requirements, two community meetings were convened on January 9, 2018 and January 16, 2018 at Castellanos, located at 2524 South Central Park Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, and a public hearing was convened on January 25, 2018 at 42 West Madison 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 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 consolidate Castellanos into Cardenas effective June 30, 2018 and adjust its attendance area boundaries by expanding its grade offering from Kindergarten through third grade to Kindergarten through eighth grade.

**Adjust Attendance Area of Cardenas
(School ID 610024)**

2345 South Millard Avenue, Chicago, IL

*Effective June 30, 2018, from grades Kindergarten through third to
grades Kindergarten through eighth;*


Beginning at Pulaski Road and Cermak Road
East to Christiana Avenue
South to 26th Street
West to Millard Avenue
North to 25th Street
West to Hamlin Avenue
North to 24th Street
West to Pulaski Road
North to the starting point

LSC IMPLICATIONS: The Castellanos Local School Council will be dissolved effective June 30, 2018 upon the consolidation of Castellanos and Cardenas. Local School Council elections are being held in April 2018. Those eligible to run for and vote in the election at Castellanos and those eligible to run for and vote in the election at Cardenas may run and vote in the April 2018 election for the Local School Council for the newly consolidated school.

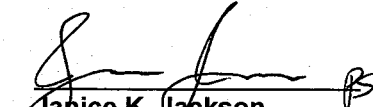
FINANCIAL: None

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.

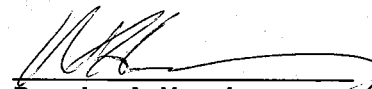
Approved for Consideration:


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Respectfully Submitted:


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Approved as to Legal Form: *adl*


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