

September 26, 2018

**DESIGNATE LOUISA MAY ALCOTT COLLEGE PREPARATORY EAST AND WEST CAMPUSES
INTO TWO EDUCATIONAL UNITS**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

That the Board approve the designation of the Louisa May Alcott College Preparatory East (Elementary School) and West (High School) Campuses into two unique educational units, serving pre-K through eighth grades (Alcott ES) and ninth through twelfth grades (Alcott HS), respectively.

DESCRIPTION:

School Designation: Per 08-1022-EX20, Alcott Elementary School (now referred to as Alcott College Preparatory East Campus; see 13-0626-MS1) was expanded with the establishment of the Alcott High School Program for the Humanities (now referred to as Alcott College Preparatory West Campus; see 13-0626-MS1).

Currently, Alcott serves students on two different campuses and facilities: (1) Louisa May Alcott College Preparatory East Campus, located at 2625 N. Orchard Street (pre-K through eighth grades), and (2) Louisa May Alcott College Preparatory West Campus, located at 2957 N. Hoyne Avenue (ninth through twelfth grades). Both campuses are currently considered one educational unit serving a combined grade range of pre-K through twelfth grades.

Public Hearing: A public hearing on the proposal to designate Alcott as two unique educational units was held on April 10, 2018 at the Alcott East Campus, 2625 N. Orchard Street, Chicago, IL 60614 and June 9, 2018 at the Board Chambers. A summary report of the hearing is available for review. The proposal for the designation of the East and West campuses into two unique educational units effective at the start of the 2019-2020 school year was submitted by the Alcott Local School Council (LSC) and has the support of the Network 4 administration.

Governance: Alcott currently has one single LSC serving the needs of both campuses. The proposed designation of campuses into two unique educational units will require the establishment of a second LSC with member elections taking place two years hence. Parents of students enrolled in only the Alcott HS program, will not be eligible to continue to serve on the Alcott ES LSC. Office of LSC will be responsible for establishing a special election for the Alcott HS LSC.

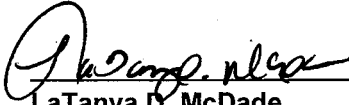
Enrollment: Students currently enrolled in Alcott's eighth grade are entitled to enroll in its ninth grade class and continue until high school graduation.

Boundary: There will be no changes to Alcott HS overlay boundary as it is described in 09-0325-EX11. Further there will be no changes to Alcott ES attendance area boundary.

FINANCIAL: The financial implications will be addressed during the development of the fiscal year 2019-2020 budget.


PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS: With the establishment of a separate, unique educational unit, a new principal will be appointed by the CEO to the West Campus (high school). The current principal at the East Campus (elementary school) will remain. No other changes to personnel are required at this time.

Approved for Consideration:




LaTanya D. McDade
Chief Education Officer

Respectfully Submitted:



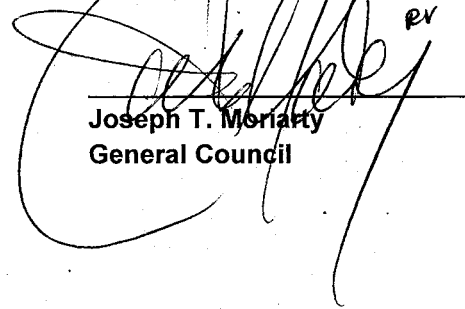
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