

December 15, 2021

**PERMANENT DEBARMENT OF GERMAN DIAZ**

**THE CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Board of Education of the City of Chicago ("Board") permanently debar German Diaz ("Respondent") from doing any business with the Board.

The Board's Chief Procurement Officer mailed a Notice of Proposed Debarment to Respondent on September 20, 2021 initiating debarment proceedings against Respondent based on Section 2(b) and (k) of the Board's Debarment Policy and CPS Guidelines Regarding Maintaining Professional Staff/Student Boundaries in effect at the relevant time, for Respondent's failure to maintain appropriate contact between staff and students. Specifically, Respondent was found to have targeted a student for personal attention or friendship beyond the normal staff member-student relationship, asked a student to keep a secret, and singled out a student to provide them with a gift without prior approval of the school administrator. Respondent failed to submit a written response to the Notice as required by Section 4(d) of the Board's Debarment Policy. As such, all allegations in the Notice are deemed admitted. See Debarment Policy, §4(d). The Chief Operating Officer has reviewed the record (as defined in Section 4.5(10) of the Debarment Policy), including Investigative Report No. OIG 19-01705, and recommends permanent debarment.

Based on the facts set forth in the record as defined in Section 4.5(10) of the Board's Debarment Policy, the Chief Operating Officer recommends that the Board permanently debar Respondent from doing any business with the Board effective immediately. All existing contracts between the Board and Respondent are terminated. Respondent is ineligible to act as a subcontractor or supplier to any existing or future Board contracts.

The Board adopts and approves the recommendation of the Chief Operating Officer.

**LSC REVIEW:** LSC approval is not applicable to this report.

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION STATUS:** Affirmative Action review is not applicable to this report.

**FINANCIAL:** None.

**GENERAL CONDITIONS:** None.

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