

AMEND BOARD REPORT 05-0824-PO3
AMEND BOARD REPORT 04-0526-PO2
ADOPT A NEW COMPREHENSIVE POLICY ON THE ENROLLMENT AND TRANSFER
OF STUDENTS IN THE CHICAGO PUBLIC SCHOOLS

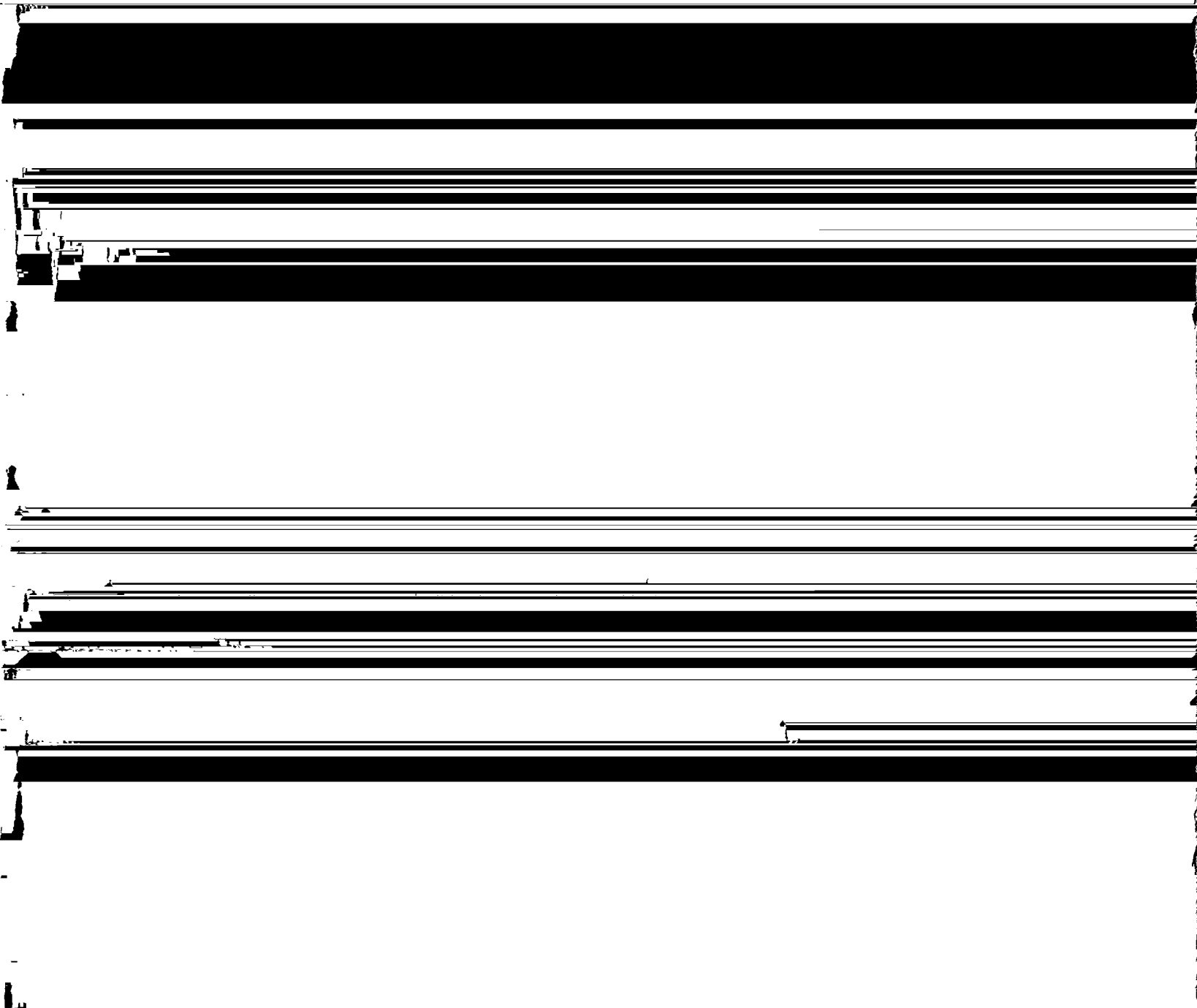
THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDS THE FOLLOWING:

That the Board of Education amend the Comprehensive Policy on the Enrollment and Transfer of Students in the Chicago Public Schools.

POLICY TEXT:

I. ENROLLMENT

Enrollment decisions should be made in the best educational interest of the child. The Board of Education shall enroll all children between the ages of five and twenty-one seeking admission



3. Open Enrollment

area school and given the option to transfer to the nearest school offering an appropriate program such a program. Pending identification and transfer to another school, or, if the child opts to remain in the home school, the child must be provided the most appropriate bilingual education services

...while consistent with his/her bilingual instructional needs. The

B. Enrollment of Students Identified as Homeless

Schools must enroll homeless students in accordance with the CPS Policy and Procedures on Education of Homeless Children and Youth (Board Report 96-1120-PO3,

child even if the child is unable to produce records normally required for enrollment. Pursuant to the CPS Homeless Education Policy, nothing shall prohibit a school from

Failure to provide the required documentation shall result in the immediate notification of the Chicago Police Department.

D. Proof of Guardianship or Custodianship

Adults acting in the role of guardian or custodian may enroll a child upon providing proof of guardianship or custodianship which may include the following:

1. A valid court order;
2. The most recent tax return naming the child as a dependant;
3. Health insurance coverage for the child;

~~4. Any public aid documents covering the child;~~

5. Appropriate documents authorizing or establishing custodianship.

Students with disabilities who have been expelled by another school district and transfer into the Chicago Public Schools shall be assigned to an alternative placement in order to receive their IEP services.

EG. Exemption from Providing Documentation

Homeless children or children in the care of the state (Department of Children and Family

K. Open Enrollment Procedures

1. ~~by the deadline identified in the school opportunities publication issued annually;~~

~~by CPS for all schools, a student may apply for enrollment in any school in the~~

~~("Open Enrollment"). However, an Open Enrollment application may not be considered if it would lead to overcrowding or if it would exclude enrollment opportunities for the following:~~

~~Students living within the attendance area;~~

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For magnet schools, magnet cluster schools and open enrollment schools with

Academic Enhancement has cancelled any waiting lists, the principal may, in his or her discretion, accept applications to fill available spaces during the then current school year. Copies of all such applications whether accepted or not

shall be forwarded to the Office of Academic Enhancement

~~non-resident tuition, non-resident pupils are not eligible to enroll in an Options for~~

Knowledge school or program, as set out in Board Rule 5-17, Non-Resident Pupils- Tuition.

K. ~~Application and Admissions For Education Opportunities Schools and Programs~~

34. Elementary and High School Students Who Move Outside the City of Chicago

Students whose parents or guardians move outside the City of Chicago may remain at the CPS school they were attending at the time of the move for the balance of the current school year without paying tuition. Thereafter, if such students want to continue attending the CPS school in which they were enrolled

Policy except in those circumstances described in Board Rule 5.17. May

3. A student's safety and/or well-being are jeopardized by remaining at the home

school;

4. ~~Disciplinary transfer pursuant to the Uniform Discipline Code as further described in~~

section II.E.9. herein; or

- ~~5. A transfer from a Board-designated military academy due to violations of military standards as described in the Uniform Discipline Code.~~
- ~~6. A transfer from a Board-designated dual-credit high school due to a student's failure to comply with, or meet the requirements of, the student's school participation agreement.~~

E-D. Other Transfers

- 1. Best Interest of the Child

~~Transfers from a student's home school shall may be created at the request of a parent~~

5. Transfers Pursuant to the Choice Provisions of the No Child Left Behind Act

- a. *School Choice Transfers.* Pursuant to the No Child Left Behind Act ("NCLB") ("Act"), Section 1116 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6317), parents of children attending a CPS school that has been identified for "School Improvement" ~~for two or more years have the right to~~ may apply for a transfer of their children to a non-School Improvement CPS school.

Adequate Yearly Progress for two consecutive years. Schools that do make
Adequate Yearly Progress may be required to accept students who attend

b Persistently Dangerous Transfers. NCLB the Act also mandates that students

10. Administrative Transfers

- a. Students enrolled in a Board-designated military academy may be subject to an administrative transfer due to non-compliance with the military standards as described in the Military Academy Guidelines.
- b. Students enrolled in a Board-designated dual credit high school may be subject to an administrative transfer due to a student's failure to comply with, or meet the requirements of, the student's school participation agreement.
- c. To the extent required by the Americans with Disabilities Act, in the event a parent or guardian with a disability is unable to access their child's school

building, the student may be transferred to the nearest school that meets the parent's accessibility needs, offers the same program and for which the student meets any applicable enrollment criteria. All such transfer requests must be submitted to the Board's ADA Director for consideration.

Approved for Consideration:



Barbara Eason-Watkins

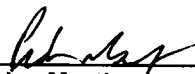
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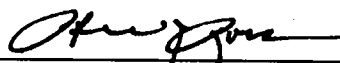
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Pedro Martinez
Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to Legal Form *SM*



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General Counsel