CHANGE THE GRADE OFFERING OF BEST PRACTICE HIGH SCHOOL

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDS:

That effective July 1, 2009, the grade offering of Best Practice High School (unit 1020, school ID 610370), located at 2040 West Adams Street, be changed as described below. The changes to the Best Practice grade offering described below will not affect students currently enrolled at Best Practice.

DESCRIPTION:

Currently, Best Practice serves ninth through twelfth. Effective July 1, 2009, Best Practice will decrease its grade structure to serve grades tenth through twelfth and, thereafter, Best Practice will decrease its grade offering by one grade per year. Best Practice is a non-attendance area high school.

A public hearing was convened on February 4, 2009, following the issuance of proper notice to receive public comment on the CEO's proposal to change the grade structure of Best Practice due to reasons associated with space utilization. An independent hearing officer received comments and supporting documents at the hearing and kept the record open after the meeting to receive additional written comments or documentation. Transcripts of the public hearing have been provided to the Board. The hearing officer has prepared and submitted a report regarding the CEO's proposal in which the hearing officer recommends the change of the grade offering of Best Practice. After receiving the hearing officer's report, the CEO has determined to recommend that the Board approve changes to the Best Practice grade offering described herein effective July 1, 2009.

FINANCIAL: No additional cost to the Chicago Public Schools

LSC IMPLICATIONS: None

PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS: The employment status of all faculty and staff members currently assigned to Best Practice will be determined pursuant to the CPS staffing formulas, Board Policies and any applicable collective bargaining agreements.

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