CHANGE THE EDUCATIONAL FOCUS OF ROBERTO CLEMENTE COMMUNITY ACADEMY HIGH SCHOOL TO A SCHOOLWIDE INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE PROGRAMME

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDS:

That the Board approve change of educational focus at Roberto Clemente Community Academy High School (Clemente).

Description: Effective July 1, 2013, Clemente will change its academic focus and establish a schoolwide International Baccalaureate Programme. The IB programme at Clemente will be offered to its ninth grade class and then offered to the following incoming grade each year thereafter, until the IB programme serves all grade levels.

Enrollment: Students residing within the attendance boundary are entitled to enrollment within the school and its IB programme. If all available 9th grade seats are not filled by students residing within the attendance boundary, students living outside of the attendance area may apply for available honors level IB seats through the guidelines set forth in the Office of Access and Enrollment's Options for Knowledge Guide.

Curriculum: All attendance area 9th graders in Full School IB Programmes will be enrolled in the the International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme. Upon completion of 10th grade, students previously enrolled in the Middle Years Programme will select one of several IB related options for 11th and 12th Grades. Those options include but are not limited to: IB Diploma Programme, IB Subject Certification, IB Career Related Certificate, and IB Core. Honors level IB students will receive rigorous coursework in IB Middle Years and Diploma Programmes.

Personnel Implications: The Board will open new teaching positions programmed as International Bacculaureate teacher positions or International Bacculaureate teacher-in-training positions and staffed by qualified teachers. Board representatives will discuss and attempt to resolve any impacts on current teaching staff with teachers' bargaining representative. Educational Support Personnel positions will be unaffected.

Financial: The financial implications will be addressed during the development of the 2013-2014 fiscal year budget. FY13 startup costs are estimated \$126,675.An addition to the FY14 Magnet, Gifted, and Talented budget of approximately \$176,500 will be sought in during the FY14 budget process to pay for additional start up costs. Future year funding is contingent upon budget appropriation and approval. Ongoing costs will include personnel, professional development costs, as well as annual fees payable to International Baccalaureate Organization.

Approved for Consideration:

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Approved as to legal form.

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