

AMEND BOARD REPORT 08-1217-EX2
APPROVE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF
SKINNER NORTH CLASSICAL SCHOOL

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

640 West Scott Street and the Child Parent Center building located at 1443 North Ogden Avenue.

A public hearing was held on December 4, 2008, at Mark T. Skinner Elementary School ("Skinner"), located at 1443 North Ogden Avenue, to discuss the proposed establishment of a new Classical School at this site.

Parents from Skinner North Classical School were invited to tour 640 West Scott Street on May 16, 2009.

Parents from Skinner North Classical School were also invited to meet with CPS Officials regarding the relocation of Skinner North Classical School to 640 West Scott on May 20, 2009.

This amendment is necessary to change the address of Skinner North Classical School to 640 West Scott Street.

DESCRIPTION:

Parents of Skinner and prospective parents of Skinner North who selected Skinner North on the survey form or the amended application were notified of the location change in March, 2009. Parents were allowed the opportunity to change their GEAP program selection choices due to the relocation.

All selections for Skinner North will comply with provisions of the Second Amended Consent Decree in United States v. Board of Education.

CURRICULUM: The Classical School curriculum at Skinner will be replicated at Skinner North. A curriculum plan currently used at Skinner will be shared with Skinner North faculty and administration. Skinner North will provide the same acceleration of courses above grade level in reading and math, and a

foreign language component of Spanish and Mandarin. The curriculum will be designed to provide a challenging liberal arts course of instruction for students with high academic potential.

The current principal of Skinner, Mrs. Deborah Clark, has committed to participating in the selection process for the new principal of Skinner North, as well as serving as a mentor for the Skinner North

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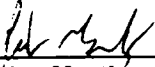
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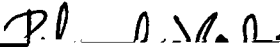
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