

CLOSE GEORGE W. COLLINS HIGH SCHOOL DUE TO COMPLETED PHASE-OUT

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDS:

That the Chicago Board of Education approve the closing of George W. Collins High School ("Collins")

Unit 1880, located at 1313 South Sacramento Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60623, effective August 26, 2009.

DESCRIPTION:

In February 2006, the Board of Education approved attendance area boundary changes for Collins for academic reasons. The attendance area boundary changes resulted in the cessation of a 9th grade offering at Collins during the 2006-07 school year, which initiated the gradual phase-out of the school.

Prior to the action to change the attendance boundaries and phase out the school, Collins had been on probation for nine (9) years and was one of the lowest performing Chicago public high schools on the 2005 Prairie State Achievement Examination. Only 8.7% of the students who took the test met or exceed

state standards.

Students enrolled in Collins at the time the Board commenced its phase-out were permitted to complete

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