

September 22, 2021

RESOLUTION REGARDING ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PROMOTION IN RESPONSE TO THE
CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19)

WHEREAS, there is still an ongoing outbreak of respiratory illness caused by a novel Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) as infections are being reported internationally including the United States and the City of Chicago and;

WHEREAS, in-person instruction was suspended for the 2019-2020 school year on March 17, 2020;

WHEREAS, the administration of assessments for the 2019-2020 school year was suspended on March 27, 2020;

WHEREAS, the District did not administer Spring NWEA for the 2019-2020 school year;

WHEREAS, the District started the 2020-2021 school year with remote learning and began transitioning to hybrid instruction on January 11, 2021 for students in pre-kindergarten and cluster programs on March 4, 2021 for students in kindergarten through fifth grade, and March 8, 2021 for students in sixth through eighth grade and;

WHEREAS, due to changing student learning modalities in 2021, the District did not administer Spring NWEA for the 2020-2021 school year;

WHEREAS, the District administered IAR only to students that were attending in-person for the 2020-2021 school year;

WHEREAS, the district wide NWEA contract for MAP Growth 2-5 and 6+ expired at the end of the 2020-21 school year and was not extended;

WHEREAS, the District will not administer NWEA for 2021-2022 school year, which was previously for 3rd, 5th and 8th graders and;

WHEREAS, the District will not administer NWEA for 2021-2022 school year, which was previously for 2020-2021 school year, and will not have district wide assessment data available for the 2021-2022 school year;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board hereby directs as follows:

1. Promotion for students in grades 2, 4, and 5 during the 2021-2022 school year will be determined solely by the student's academic performance in Reading and Math as reflected by the student's final grades.

2. Students in grades 6, 7, and 8 will be promoted to the next grade level based on the student's final grades.

3. Students in grades 3, 6, and 8 with a final grade of "D" or below in Reading and Math during the 2020-2021 school year and a final grade of "C" or better in Reading and Math during the 2020-2021 school year will be promoted to the next grade level.

4. Students in grades 3, 6, and 8 with a final grade of "D" or below in Reading and Math during the 2021-2022 school year and a final grade of "D" or below in Reading and Math during the 2020-2021 school year will be required to attend and successfully complete interventions to be promoted to the next grade level.

5. Students who are identified as needing further academic support will be prioritized for possible interventions including summer school, personal learning plans, or other interventions as determined.

6. This Resolution is effective immediately upon adoption.