

May 27, 2003

**APPROVE OUT OF DISTRICT PUBLIC SCHOOL TUITION PAYMENTS TO PUBLIC
SCHOOLS OUTSIDE OF CHICAGO FOR STUDENTS WITH SEVERE DISABILITIES AND/OR
SEVERE SUBSTANCE ABUSE PROBLEMS**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve out of district tuition payments to public schools outside of Chicago for students with severe disabilities and/or severe substance abuse problems at a cost not to exceed \$ 2,600,000.00 in the aggregate. No written agreement is required for these tuition payments. Information pertinent to these payments is stated below.

VENDORS: See Exhibit "A"

USER: Office of Specialized Services
Citywide School Pupil Support
125 S. Clark Street, 8th Floor
Chicago, IL 60603
Contact: Philip O'Donnell – (773) 553-3403

TERM OF PAYMENTS: July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2004

SERVICES: Payments of tuition on a per capita basis are made for students who are residents of the Chicago Public School district and attend public schools outside of Chicago. Currently, 32 students have been placed residentially through a state agency and reside too far from Chicago to be transported to Chicago Public Schools and an additional 73 students require unique and complex special education services that are unavailable within CPS. The number of students requiring these out of district placements may vary during the year based upon the needs of each student.

DELIVERABLES: The out of district public schools send monthly attendance reports, quarterly student progress reports and Individual Education Plans (IEP) for each student to the CPS Case Manager.

OUTCOMES: By paying tuition to public schools outside of Chicago, the Board is able to meet the needs of students in the least restrictive environment.

COMPENSATION: Tuition payments to public schools outside of Chicago for this program shall not exceed \$ 2,600,000.00 in the aggregate.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Not applicable.

LSC REVIEW: Local School Council approval is not applicable to this report.

REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES: Reimbursement for transportation costs to schools that provide transportation services to students as part of their program will be reviewed and authorized by the Chief Specialized Services Officer, not to exceed \$100,000.00 in the aggregate, which amount is included in the total compensation.

AUTHORIZATION: Authorize the Chief of Specialized Services to direct payment to those various public schools outside of Chicago, as necessary.

FINANCIAL: Charge to: Citywide School Pupil Support - \$2,600,000.00
Budget Classification: 0959-210-002-7073-5560 - \$2,500,000.00 – FY04
Fund: 210 – General Educational Fund
0959-220-383-3821-5510 - \$100,000.00 – FY04
Fund: 220 – Fed.Sp.Ed.IDEA

GENERAL CONDITIONS:

Inspector General – Each party to this agreement shall knowledge that in, accordance with 105 ILCS 5/34-13.1, the Inspector General of the Chicago Board of Education has the authority to conduct certain investigations and that the Inspector General shall have access to all information and personnel necessary to conduct those investigations.

Conflict – The agreement shall not be legally binding on the Board if entered into in violation of the provisions of 105/ILCS 5/34 21.3 which restricts the employment of, or the letting of contracts to, former Board Members during the one year period following expiration or other termination of their terms of office.

Indebtedness – The Board of Education Indebtedness Policy adopted July 26, 1995 (95-0726-EX3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

Ethics – the Board's Ethics Code adopted September 27, 1995 (95-0727-RU3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

Contingent Liability – The agreement shall contain the clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is deemed a contingent liability, subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year budget(s).

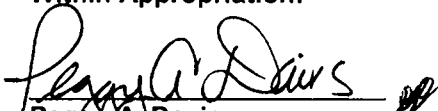
Approved for Consideration:

Approved:


Barbara J. Eason-Watkins
Chief Education Officer


Arne Duncan
Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:


Peggy A. Davis
Chief of Staff

Approved as to Legal Form:

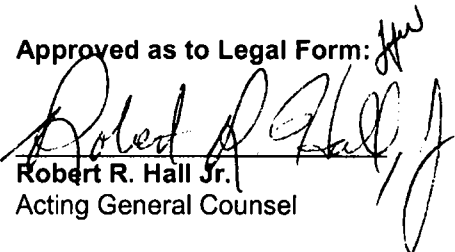

Robert R. Hall Jr.
Acting General Counsel

EXHIBIT "A"**OUT OF DISTRICT PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

1. Antioch Community High School District #117
2. Carbondale Community High School District #165
3. Carbondale Elementary School District #95
4. Community Consolidated School District #15
5. Community Consolidated School District #65
6. Dixon Public Schools-Nachusa Education Center
7. Exceptional Children Have Opportunities (ECHO)
8. Freeport School District #145
9. Genoa-Kingston Com Unit School District #424
10. Harlem Consolidated School District #122
11. Hononegah Community High School District #207
12. Iroquois West Consolidated Unit School District #10
13. Manteno Community Unit School District #5
14. McLean County Unit District No. 5
15. Minneapolis Public Schools
16. Mundeline Consolidated High School District #120
17. North DuPage Special Education Cooperative
18. Northern Suburban Special Education School District (NSSED)
19. Northwest Suburban Special Education School Organization (NSSEO)
20. Rockford Public School District #205
21. Rockton School District #140
22. School District U-46
23. Southwest Cook County Cooperative Association for Special Education
24. Special Education District of Lake County Illinois (SEDOL)
25. SPEED Special Education Cooperative (SEJA 802)
26. Springfield Public School District #186
27. Township High School District #214
28. Urbana School District #116
29. West Central Illinois Special Education Cooperative (WCISEC)
30. Winnebago County Special Education Cooperative