

September 22, 2004

**REQUEST FOR DISMISSAL OF BLONDELL APPLEWHITE, LUNCHROOM ATTENDANT,  
NETTELHORST ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

**TO THE CHICAGO BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDS THE FOLLOWING:**

That this Request for Dismissal and charges and specifications preferred by the Chief Executive Officer against Blondell Applewhite be approved; that notice of her dismissal and a copy of this Board Report and accompanying charges and specifications be served upon her within ten (10) days of adoption of the Board Report.

**DESCRIPTION:**

Pursuant to Section 6 of Board Policy #95-1025-PO2 and the Rules of the Board of Education of the City of Chicago, the Chief Executive Officer charged Blondell Applewhite a lunchroom attendant assigned to the Nettelhorst Elementary School, 3252 North Broadway Avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60657, with excessive absences; repeated or flagrant acts of Group 2 misconduct; use of sick leave in an unauthorized manner for purposes other than allowed under Board Rules and regulations; violation of School Rules, or Board Rules, policies or procedures which result in behaviors that seriously disrupt the orderly educational process in the classroom in the school and may occur on or off the school grounds or assigned work locations; violation of Board Rule 4-11 regarding leaves of absence for educational support personnel; and conduct unbecoming a Chicago Public Schools' employee.

The Chief Executive Officer hereby requests the dismissal of Blondell Applewhite from the employ of the Chicago Board of Education. Blondell Applewhite has been afforded a discharge hearing and the Chief Executive Officer has suspended Blondell Applewhite without pay.

She will be dismissed from employment immediately upon service of the notice of dismissal together with a copy of this Board Report and the charges and specifications.

**LSC REVIEW:**

LSC review is not applicable to this report.

**AFFIRMATIVE  
ACTION STATUS:**

None.

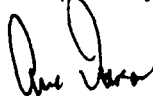
**FINANCIAL:**

None.

**PERSONNEL  
IMPLICATIONS:**

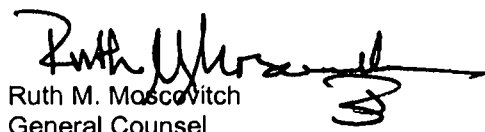
There will be a vacancy in the position of lunchroom attendant at Nettelhorst Elementary School.

Respectfully submitted,



Arne Duncan  
Chief Executive Officer

Approved as to legal form:



Ruth M. Moscovitch  
General Counsel