

APPROVE THE REMOVAL OF THE ENROLLMENT CAP AT SOUTHSIDE OCCUPATIONAL ACADEMY HIGH SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDS:

The removal of the enrollment cap at Southside Occupational Academy High School located at 7342 S. Hoyne Avenue effective August 1, 2010.

DESCRIPTION: Southside Occupational Academy High School (Southside Occupational) provides specialized programmatic services, including vocational training, to students with disabilities who are transitioning from their sophomore to junior year in high school. Southside Occupational had an enrollment of 184 students with approximately 42 graduates for the 2009-2010 school year. The Office of Special Education and Supports anticipates the need to enroll an additional 70 students resulting in an enrollment of approximately 208 students at Southside Occupational for the 2010-2011 school year. Given these factors, the Office of Special Education and Supports recommends that the enrollment cap be removed. Additional students may be placed in accordance with a student's IEP by the Office of Special Education and Supports or by the Area Office subject to approval by the Office of Special Education and Supports.

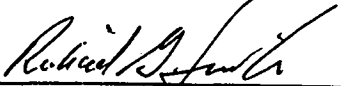
LSC REVIEW: Not applicable.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION STATUS: Not applicable.

FINANCIAL: No additional cost to the Chicago Public Schools because the school is staffed and equipped to service over 200 students.

PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS: Any need for staff reductions or increases will be assessed annually by the Office of Specialized Services and will be made in accordance with applicable Board policies and collective bargaining agreements.

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