

June 23, 2021

APPROVE ISBE WAIVER APPLICATION

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDS:

That the Chicago Board of Education (the "Board") approve the ISBE waiver application to allow CPS more flexibility in planning the school calendar by scheduling full day school improvement days. Upon approval of this Board Report, the waiver application described below will be forwarded to the ISBE.

PUBLIC HEARING AND NOTICE: A Public Hearing on this waiver application was held on June 23, 2021, in accordance with Section 2-3.25g of the Illinois School Code. Notice of the Public Hearing was posted on the CPS and Board websites on June 8, 2021, published in a Chicago newspaper on June 15, 2021 and provided to Illinois state legislators who represent Chicago and collective bargaining agents on June 8, 2021 as required by Section 2-3.25g of the Illinois School Code.


DESCRIPTION OF THE WAIVER APPLICATION:

School Improvement Waiver

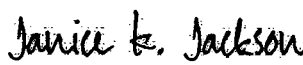
The school improvement waiver will allow the CEO or designee to schedule school improvement plan activities for teachers in full day sessions rather than half day sessions. Section 105 ILCS 5/10-19.05 of the Illinois School Code relates to the calculation of student attendance days and the requirements for accumulating extra student attendance hours during a specified period of time to schedule half day sessions. The waiver would allow the district school calendar flexibility to schedule full school improvement days up to four times a school year as long as the required five clock hours of student instruction time is provided to students throughout the school term. The renewal waiver application shall request a five year waiver period, beginning during the 2022-2023 school year and ending during the 2026-2027 school year.

AUTHORIZATION: Authorize the Chief Executive Officer or designee to execute the waiver applications described above and submit it to ISBE in accordance with Section 2-3.25g of the School Code.

Approved for Consideration:

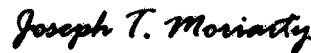
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