



# Board of Education

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### August 14, 2024 Agenda Review Committee Follow-Ups

Agenda Review Committee (ARC) follow-ups are shared publicly so that members of the public can view responses to issues that directly impact the CPS community in advance of the Board’s consideration at regular Board meetings. Follow-ups are unanswered questions asked by Board Members during a public meeting. See the August 2024 ARC follow-ups and responses below.

Item Description	Follow-Up Question	District Response	Responding Department
<b>Agenda Item 2 - Traffic Injury Prevention Policy</b>	Why was there a concern about the training going to 8th grade? What's the rationale behind the rule, outside of it being mandated?	It was believed that if students received consistent training on traffic injury prevention from kindergarten through 5th grade, they should have the necessary foundation to navigate and mitigate traffic injuries. CPS will follow up with ISBE to learn more about their rationale.	Teaching and Learning Office - Health and Physical Education
<b>Agenda Item 5 - Vaccination and School Physical Services</b>	Is there an opportunity to deepen medical partnerships (with transparency) for at-risk families, with a reduced or affordable rate that is long term and sustainable?	CPS currently has 15 school-based health centers that allow families to access services at no cost or on a sliding scale based on income. The District has also cultivated a variety of partnerships that provide mobile healthcare services or educational programming at no cost. A key step to deepen our work in this area would be a federal restructuring of healthcare, especially the billing and reimbursement model used for Medicare and Medicaid.	Office of Student Health & Wellness
<b>Agenda Item 6 - Volunteer Policy</b>	Can the volunteer screening pick up volunteer issues for people who did not pass volunteer checks in other states?	Yes. All volunteers are checked using the National Sex Offender Registry, and Level I volunteers are also checked through an FBI database.	Family & Community Engagement Office

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<b>Agenda Item 7 - Comprehensive Fingerprinting and Related Services</b>	How do we communicate to parents and the community what we are not looking for in the volunteer background checks?	A comprehensive overview of our background checks is easily accessible on the CPS website. All returning volunteers are also sent an annual reminder email about renewing their volunteer status.	School Safety and Security Office
<b>Agenda Item 7 - Comprehensive Fingerprinting and Related Services</b>	Is there any analysis or consideration of the vendor becoming more of an equitable partner and lowering the service rate?	The District's fingerprinting partner directly works with DCFS, which oversees one of our databases, which helps streamline our process and keep clearance rates low. Rates have generally been consistent and have only increased in response to increases from the FBI or Illinois State Police.	School Safety and Security Office
<b>Agenda Item 14 - Groundskeeping Products and Services</b>	How can we consider pathways from CPS and/or the community to these types of jobs?	These vendors oversee robust community engagement efforts to ensure that community members are aware of job opportunities. They work closely with local elected officials and partner with Greencorps Chicago and City Colleges of Chicago to recruit graduates of their job training programs.	Facilities, Operations & Maintenance
<b>Agenda Item 14 - Groundskeeping Products and Services</b>	Is there an opportunity to hire from the communities where services are being provided? How many people from the community were hired as staff?	Yes. Diaz Group has 77 Chicagoans on our account; Christy Webber has 34; and A Safe Haven has 18. These individuals represent neighborhoods from all areas of the city, including Back of the Yards, Englewood, Lincoln Square, Little Village, and West Garfield Park.	Facilities, Operations & Maintenance