APPROVE RECLASSIFICATION OF CHICAGO HIGH SCHOOL FOR AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES AS FOUR-YEAR CAREER ACADEMY

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDS THE FOLLOWING:

Approve the conversion and reclassification of the Chicago High School for Agricultural Sciences as a four-year career academy.

DESCRIPTION:

Career Academies integrate academic and career education curriculum to provide students with the support necessary to achieve world-class academic and occupational standards. Career Academies are designed to concentrate resources to achieve desired career and technical education goals that cannot be realized in a regular school setting.

Students attending Career Academies must earn 26 units of credit to graduate. In addition to traditional graduation requirements, students must take four years of career education. As a part of the career education component, all students at the Career Academy must select an ETC program beginning in the sophomore year. The students will follow a sequence of courses as prescribed by ETC.

LSC REVIEW: The Local School Council approved this reclassification on March 8, 2004.

AFFIRMATIVE

ACTION STATUS: Not applicable.

FINANCIAL: None.

GENERAL CONDITIONS:

Inspector General – Each party to the agreement shall acknowledge 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.

Indebtedness – The Board's 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 (95-0927-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:

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