June 27, 2024

AUTHORIZE THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR THE AMENDMENT OF THE TRAFFIC INJURY PREVENTION EDUCATION POLICY

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDS:

That the Board authorize the commencement of the Public Comment Period from June 28, 2024 to July 29, 2024 for the Policy described in the disposition table below. Pursuant to Board Rule 2-6(c), the Board must authorize the commencement of the Public Comment Period.

Current Policy Section/ Current Policy Title	New Policy Section/ New Policy Title	Description of Revision/Disposition
19-0327-PO1, Policy 409.5, Traffic Injury Prevention Education	N/A	Amend Policy 409.5, Traffic Injury Prevention Education This policy was amended as required by Board Rule 2-6's biennial review process. The policy amendments provide more clarity on the content of the traffic injury prevention education required as well as clarity around who the required instructor(s) must be.

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Ruchi Verma General Counsel	Pedro Martinez Chief Executive Officer

AMEND THE TRAFFIC INJURY PREVENTION EDUCATION POLICY

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDS:

That the Board amend Board Report 19-0327-PO1, the Traffic Injury Prevention Education Policy in response to the biennial policy review requirement.

PURPOSE: This policy will ensure compliance with Public Act 100-1056 which requires the district to adopt a policy to provide education on effective methods of preventing and avoiding traffic injuries related to walking and bicycling to students in grades Kindergarten through 8.

TEXT:

Beginning with the 2018-2019 School Year, CPS elementary schools shall annually provide education to students in grades Kindergarten through 8 on safe walking and biking and the prevention and avoidance of traffic injuries

Chicago Public Schools (CPS) elementary schools shall provide annual pedestrian and bicycle safety education to all students in grades Kindergarten through 8th Grade by the end of each school year.

This education will cover safe walking and biking practices, traffic rules and regulations, and strategies for preventing injuries when traveling on foot or by bicycle.

The pedestrian and bicycle safety curriculum will be delivered by the physical education and/or classroom teacher. The specific timing for completing this requirement will be determined by the designated teacher(s) in consultation with the school's administration to allow flexibility in integrating it appropriately into the school schedule and academic calendar.

The Chief Education Officer or designee is authorized to establish educational strategies, activities and best practices to ensure the effective delivery of traffic injury prevention education by CPS Elementary Schools.

LEGAL REFERENCES: 105 ILCS 5/27-23.11