

Providing A Better Education For All Students Belmont-Cragin and Northwest Middle

Pending Board approval of proposed co-location

<u>Belmont-Cragin K -8th grade students</u> will be co-located in the building that houses Northwest Middle at 5252 W. Palmer St. <u>Current Belmont-Cragin Pre-K students</u> will remain at their current facility at 6041 W. Diversey Ave.

Both Belmont-Cragin and Northwest Middle students will remain enrolled in their respective schools.

There will be no impact to teachers and staff at Belmont-Cragin or Northwest Middle as a result of this co-location.

- As a result of this co-location, the existing auditorium and gymnasium will be shared between the two schools. CPS will assist in the scheduling of shared spaces to ensure all students have equitable access to the facility.
- Each school will have a separate, dedicated entrance and administrative space. Additionally, each school will have a dedicated lunchroom and library. Lastly, the existing parking lot will be split into two, to accommodate both administrative staffs.
- CPS will enhance the overall learning environment with facilities renovations (which will apply across both schools), which will include upgrades such as:
 - Providing adequate space and build-out for a new main office;
 - Providing signage that reflects newly allocated spaces;
 - o Adding independent telecommunication and intercom systems so that each school maintains separation;
 - Window A/C units to all classrooms;
 - o Specific interior cosmetic improvements as needed;
- CPS Office of Safety & Security will provide enhancements to the access control system and entry screening equipment.