

Providing A Better Education For All Students Ericson Elementary and Sumner Elementary

Pending Board approval of proposed closure

<u>Current Ericson students</u> will be enrolled at Sumner Elementary for the 2013-14 school year, located at 4320 W. 5th St., unless families choose to enroll their student at another school.

<u>Current Sumner students</u> will continue to attend Sumner Elementary, unless families choose to enroll their student at another school.

- **Transportation:** Current Ericson students who receive transportation from their neighborhood school to Ericson will continue to receive transportation, but from their neighborhood school to Sumner beginning in Fall 2013 until they graduate. For current Ericson students who do not receive transportation, shuttle bus transportation to and from the Ericson and Sumner locations will be provided for all returning Ericson students attending Sumner until they graduate.
- Enrollment options: Ericson and Sumner families interested in enrolling their student at another school can apply via the re-opened Options for Knowledge process. Applications were provided in the transition packets sent home and can be obtained by emailing oae@cps.edu or calling (773) 553-2060. Applications need to be submitted by April 19th. Students who choose to enroll in their attendance area school do not need to submit an application. They should contact the school directly for registration information.
- Safety & Security: CPS Office of Safety & Security (OSS) is working on school-specific plans to address safety for all students. OSS continues to work in close collaboration with the Chicago Police Department (CPD) to plan Safe Passage. Close collaboration with CPD and families will continue through the start of the new school year to adjust plans as needed.
- **Teachers:** Many teachers will follow their students per a joint CPS-CTU agreement. If additional teachers are needed at Sumner given an increase in enrollment, tenured teachers from Ericson can be assigned to these positions if they are rated in the top two performance rating categories and a position is available in the area they teach. Eligible tenured teachers will be notified of these assignments if the Board votes to approve this action and after organizational and budgetary planning activities have concluded.
- LSC: If a school closes, the Local School Council is dissolved at the end of the school year. Per school code, Local School Council elections at all schools will be held in Spring 2014.
- Partnerships: CPS will engage the Ericson and Sumner communities and school leaders to enable the transfer of Ericson's external partnerships and programs.