



Board of Education

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Board Report

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RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SUPPORT THE DISTRICT'S APPLICATION FOR THE MAGNET SCHOOLS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

WHEREAS, in March 2024 the U.S. Department of Education gave notice that it was accepting applications for new awards under the Magnet Schools Assistance Program (MSAP) - authorized under Title IV, Part D of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESSA), as amended;

WHEREAS, the District submitted an application for the FY24 MSAP award to transform the following elementary schools: Avalon Park Fine & Performing Arts Elementary, Milton Brunson Math and Science Specialty Elementary, Rudyard Kipling Elementary, and Logan Square Elementary, formerly James Monroe Elementary, into high quality, in-demand personalized learning magnet schools.

WHEREAS, the District's goal as listed in its application is to reduce the minority group isolation of African American students at Avalon Park Fine & Performing Arts Elementary, Milton Brunson Math and Science Specialty Elementary, and Rudyard Kipling Elementary School, and Hispanic students at Logan Square Elementary (formerly James Monroe) by at least ten percentage points by September 2029;

WHEREAS, an award of the MSAP grant would result in the District receiving \$15 million over the course of sixty months;

WHEREAS, the Board's Admissions Policy for Magnet, Selective Enrollment and Other GoCPS Schools and Programs, Board Report Number 22-0727-PO1 ("Policy") dictates the framework for enrollment in magnet schools and programs;

WHEREAS, this Policy promotes socio-economic diversity and is the Board's voluntary desegregation plan;

WHEREAS, this Policy was last revised in July 27, 2022, will remain in effect unless otherwise revised or rescinded;

WHEREAS, there are no plans to rescind the Policy for the 2024-2025 school year;

NOW THEREFORE THE BOARD RESOLVES:

1. To support the District's plan for implementation of the FY24 MSAP grant as outlined in the application.
2. This Resolution is effective immediately upon adoption.