

**SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1
IN THE CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER,
STATE OF COLORADO
RESOLUTION NO. _____**

WHEREAS, the Denver Public Schools is dedicated to improving student achievement and parent engagement;

WHEREAS, the Denver Public Schools has engaged in a Request for Proposals process for new school applications without sufficient community and parent engagement for the last two years;

WHEREAS, the Denver Public Schools has specifically requested proposals for schools that would fill a need for school models not currently being served and has not received sufficient proposals;

WHEREAS, the Denver Public Schools has approved a large number of schools for placement in a specific region in the last two years without placing the schools into a specific building;

WHEREAS, the Denver Public Schools has dedicated a disproportionate time reviewing, discussing and processing the new schools applications than they have discussing the needs of neighborhood schools and the Pre-school to Post-Secondary feeder patterns and alignment of existing schools between March and November of the last two years with the Board of Education;

WHEREAS, the Denver Public Schools already complies with the Colorado Charter School Act and must act upon a new school application within 80 days during the fall;

WHEREAS, the Denver Public Schools already has instituted workshops and process for to assist new school development and application that can continue into the fall of each year to coincide with the State required Charter process;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Denver Public Schools hereby suspends the Request for Proposals process for new schools for at least one year until a comprehensive analysis of neighborhood school feeder patterns is completed and presented to the community;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Denver Public Schools hereby directs all of its departments, agencies, bureaus, offices and other similar entities to implement strategies, procedures, and practices that will focus upon the alignment of each neighborhood to align its school offerings from preschool to post-secondary options in each region of the city;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Denver Public Schools hereby directs the Superintendent to implement strategies to ensure coordination within the Denver Public Schools for all efforts to affect this alignment;

BE IT RESOLVED, that this calendar year, the Denver Public Schools will develop a community engagement process that will allow parents, students and community members to develop the strategies for implementation of a comprehensive alignment and feeder patter for each region of the city;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education will assist in the implementation of the community engagement process to develop a preschool through post-secondary alignment of neighborhood schools in each region;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Denver Public Schools will collaborate with all community organizations dedicated to carrying out the intents and purposes of this resolution.

Nate Easley, Jr.
President

Jeannie Kaplan
Secretary