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The Illinois Association of School Boards
in cooperation with the Chicago Board of Education presents

CHICAGO SCHOOLS TOUR

November 20, 2015

Offered during the IASB • IASA • IASBO Joint Annual Conference
at the Hyatt Regency Chicago.

Choose from two elementary schools and two high
schools, covering a variety of neighborhoods that
contribute in educating children as exemplary leaders.

Advanced registration and fee are required.



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AGENDA

8 - 8:45 a.m.

Buffet breakfast,
Crystal A Ballroom (street level),
Hyatt, West Tower

8:45 - 9 a.m.

Bus boarding & departure
to schools from the
Hyatt, West Tower

12:30 - 1 p.m.

Bus returns to the
Hyatt, West Tower

All tour participants must
be paid annual conference
registrants or guests of paid
annual conference registrants.

Attendance at this event
earns board members five
credits in IASB's Master
Board Member Program.

For the last 44 years, IASB in cooperation with the Chicago Board of Education has provided an opportunity for educators to visit a Chicago school through the **Chicago Schools Tour** at the Joint Annual Conference. This year we are offering four tours: two elementary schools; two high schools, covering a variety of neighborhoods that contribute in educating children as exemplary leaders. Join in interesting, informative and educational moments with informal interactions as you tour a school's unique learning environment, meet teachers and students, and experience the inspiring learning taking place in their classrooms. Choose from

- **Skinner West Elementary School** – A PK-8 with highly structured accelerated programs for strong academic achievement in literature, mathematics, language arts, world language, and the humanities.
www.skinnerwest.cps.k12.il.us
- **Chávez Multicultural Language Academy** – A strong PK-8 neighborhood school committed to personalized learning and technology integration. www.chavez.cps.edu
- **Alcott College Prep High School – West Campus** – Small neighborhood Democracy high school, weaving civic learning practices throughout traditional curriculum, giving students both a technical and practical understanding of the U.S. political system.
www.alcottcollegeprep.net
- **DeVry University Advantage Academy** – A dual enrollment high school providing qualified students with the opportunity to graduate with both a high school diploma and an Associate degree in Network Systems Administration or Web Graphic Design.
www.devry.cps.edu

The tour officially begins with a buffet breakfast at 8 a.m. in the **Crystal A Ballroom**. The Crystal Ballrooms are located at street level in the West Tower. Tour buses will depart immediately after the breakfast at 8:45 a.m. from the hotel lobby.

Space is limited to 160 reservations. Register today by mail or online at www.iasb.com/jac15. This is one of the best bargains of the conference!

PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS

A NATIONAL BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL FOR BOTH THE NEIGHBORHOOD AND THE CITY

Skinner West Elementary School CODE: SKIN

PK-8; Classical; Technology & Fine and Performing Arts Magnet Cluster School

Deborah Clarke, Principal
1260 W. Adams St. 60607
773/534-7790

As a 2013 National Blue Ribbon School, Skinner West Elementary School, located in the West Loop, is highly recognized and sought after for its rigorous and accelerated curriculum, outstanding student achievement, diversity, extracurricular activities, strong parental involvement, and thriving external partnerships. Skinner West provides a unique blend of programming through an enhanced curriculum — fine arts and technology are features of the magnet cluster program offered to all students within the neighborhood. Additionally, Skinner West offers a selective classical program that provides accelerated liberal arts courses structured for strong academic achievement to gifted students traveling to the school from all across Chicago.

Website: www.skinnerwest.cps.k12.il.us



Skinner West Elementary School — wheelchair accessible transportation for this tour will be made available only if requested at time of registration. Please contact Bridget Trojan, 630/629-3776, ext. 1236 or via email at btrojan@iasb.com.

WHERE PERSONALIZED LEARNING AND TECHNOLOGY INTEGRATION ARE PRIORITIES

Chávez Multicultural Language Academy CODE: CHAV

PK-8; Neighborhood
Barton Dassinger, Principal
4747 S. Marshfield Ave. 60609
773/535-4600

As a strong neighborhood school, Chávez Multicultural Academic Center is committed to being the focal point for the Back of the Yards community. Chávez's mission is to learn, lead, and succeed together, and does so with an emphasis on personalized learning and technology integration. Since being named principal of Chávez in 2010, Barton Dassinger has prioritized instructional technology investments at the school and currently there is a device for all students 1st through 8th grade. Chávez teachers believe that good technology helps them teach and evidence is seen in their instruction.

Website: www.chavez.cps.edu



MAKING DEMOCRACY COME ALIVE, ONE CLASSROOM AT A TIME

Alcott College Prep High School – West Campus CODE: ALCO

9-12; Small; Neighborhood
Elias Estrada, Principal
2957 N. Hoyne Ave. 60618
773/534-5970

Alcott College Prep, a PK-12 school with two campuses, a high school in Roscoe Village and an elementary school in Lincoln Park, has a unified goal of educating students to become innovative leaders, engaged citizens, and lifelong learners. Recognized as a Democracy School by the Illinois Civic Mission Coalition, Alcott employs an acclaimed curriculum that weaves civic learning practices throughout traditional curriculum, giving students both a technical and practical understanding of the U.S. political system.

Website: www.alcottcollegeprep.net

CREATING A NETWORK OF EMPOWERED & INDEPENDENT LEARNERS

DeVry University Advantage Academy CODE: DEVR

11-12; Magnet
Carolyn Eggert, Principal
3300 N. Campbell Ave. 60618
773/697-2216

Located on the campus of DeVry University, students of the DeVry University Advantage Academy travel from all parts of the city to take advantage of the unique dual credit and dual enrollment program in which they earn college credit while fulfilling traditional high school requirements. Students can obtain an associates-level degree in Network Systems or Web Graphic Design by the time they graduate high school, giving them a head start in higher education and career development. Courses are taught by certified CPS teachers and industry-experienced DeVry University professors. University tuition, books and technology fees are paid for by the DeVry University and Chicago Public Schools partnership – there is no cost to the student or their family.

Website: www.devry.edu/high-school-students/advantage-academy.html

Registration Information — Cost of the tour is \$95 per person. All tour participants **must** be paid annual conference registrants or guests of paid annual conference registrants. Reservations will be accepted in the order received **online at www.iasb.com/jac15 or by mail** and must include the reservation form with check, purchase order or credit card information covering registration fees. Telephone reservations will not be accepted. Reservations will be confirmed to the district office by email to the superintendent or district contact.

Tickets — Tour ribbons will serve as your event ticket. Tour ribbons for registration received by 4 p.m., October 21 will be mailed to the district superintendent/contact on October 30. Tour ribbons for registration received after October 21 may be picked up at 8 a.m. Friday, November 20 at the registration counter in front of the Crystal A Ballroom, West Tower, Hyatt Regency Chicago.

Schools Tour Substitution or Refund — November 13 is the deadline to cancel your Chicago Schools Tour registration. Submit all requests by email to Camille Gillette at cgillette@iasb.com by 12 noon on November 13. All refunds will be processed after the conference.

Joint Annual Conference Registration Cancellation Policy — **October 21 is the deadline for written Joint Annual Conference registration refund requests.** Submit all requests by email to Camille Gillette at cgillette@iasb.com. Joint Annual Conference registration refunds, less a \$95 pp fee, will be processed after the conference. There are no Joint Annual Conference refunds after October 21.

Waiver — I understand that while attending this program, photographs and/or recordings may be taken and of which, I may be part of; and, therefore, I grant to the Illinois Association of School Boards permission to use any of them as they may deem appropriate.

Questions? — Contact Cynthia Woods, Director for Advocacy; cwoods@iasb.com; 630/629-3776, ext. 1228 or Bridget Trojan, Administrative Assistant; btrojan@iasb.com; 630/629-3776, ext. 1236.

Chicago Schools Tour Registration - Friday, November 20, 2015

Register online at www.iasb.com/jac15 or

Please enter reservations for the following participants from our district at **\$95** per person. Indicate your school choice code on the registration form.

\$_____ is enclosed for _____ reservations.

Participant(s)	School Choice Code	Participant(s)	School Choice Code
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District Name & No.: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

District Contact: _____ District Contact email: _____

Please indicate method of payment:

Check in the amount of \$ _____ Purchase Order # _____ in the amount of \$ _____

Charge \$ _____ Visa Master Card Discover

Credit Card No. _____ Expiration date: _____

Signature: _____ Dedicated email address for receipt: _____

If mailing, make checks payable to IASB and mail to: **Registrar, Illinois Association of School Boards, 2921 Baker Drive, Springfield, Illinois 62703-5929**