

** Alderman **
Michele Smith

Chicago's 43rd Ward



Teachers Still on Strike; Contingency Plan Expands to Include On-line Courses

Grid Garbage Starts Tuesday

Tomorrow will be the first day of our new grid garbage system. From now on, **all garbage in the 43rd Ward will be picked up on Tuesdays.**

Curbside recycling will also take place on Tuesdays, and alley recycling days are still being worked out. Please let us know how it goes, and have a little patience as drivers learn the new routes.



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Dear Friends,

I regret to inform you that the Chicago Teachers Union has failed to vote on the tentative agreement reached Friday and has decided to continue its strike. Mayor Emanuel has announced that the city will seek an injunction tomorrow to force the teachers back to work.

Tomorrow the "Children First" plan will continue in which 144 schools throughout the city will be open to provide activities such as art, writing, computer work and gym. The **expanded hours will be 8:30 - 2:30, including both breakfast and lunch.** The schools will be staff by principals, central office employees and non-CTU staff. Instruction will not take place.

However, beginning Monday, online coursework will be available in credit recovery, Advanced Placement and General Elective classes for high school sophomores, juniors and seniors. Also, online coursework in many subjects will be available for grade 3 through 12 students.

Students can register at www.cps.edu/childrenfirst. Some examples of courses including AP Calculus, Computer Science, algebra, geometry, biology, American history, Spanish, college and career preparation, and creative writing.

In the 43rd Ward the sites are:

Newberry Math and Science Academy - 700 W. Willow for elementary students
Walter Payton High School - 1034 N. Wells for high school students

yourvoice@ward43.org

Parents are encouraged to pre-register if you intend to send your child, although no child will be turned away. Please go to www.cps.edu/childrenfirst to register and for further information. More questions? Click [here](#).

In addition, the Lincoln Park Cultural Center is offering some programming for children. Please call 312-742-7726.

Sincerely,



43rd Ward Alderman Michele Smith

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