Summary of Party Positions on Grade Reconfiguration Proposals – October 16, 2015

	BORMAN	COLLIER	DRACHMAN	FRUCHTHENDLER	SABINO
	K-8	K-6	K-8	K-6	7-12
DEP'T OF JUSTICE	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
MENDOZA PLAINTIFFS	Υ	N	Υ	N	N
FISHER PLAINTIFFS	N	N		N	N
SPECIAL MASTER	Υ	Υ	N	Υ	N

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

"The Department of Justice does not object to any of the current grade configuration proposals because we have seen no evidence that they materially negatively impact the District's desegregation efforts or otherwise violate the USP."

MENDOZA PLAINTIFFS

"Mendoza Plaintiffs currently have no objection to the proposal to reconfigure Borman Elementary School from a K-5 to a K-8 school. They similarly have no objection to the proposal to change Drachman K-6 into a K-8 school, so long as Drachman, as a magnet school, continues to work toward meeting its integration goals detailed in its magnet improvement plan...Mendoza Plaintiffs continue to have significant concerns regarding the impact that the Fruchthendler, Collier, and Sabino proposals would have on Magee Middle School, and therefore object to them."

FISHER PLAINTIFFS

The Fisher Plaintiffs "are ambivalent" about the Drachman proposal, and do not support the Borman, Fruchthendler, Collier, and Sabino proposals. The Fisher Plaintiffs have the same reservations they had in August about the proposals, and would likely object to a proposal to expand Cavett and Catalina.

SPECIAL MASTER

"I support the proposal to create a K-8 school at Cavett because it will likely have a small integrative effect. I support the creations of a K-8 school at Borman. I support the addition of a sixth-grade to Collier and Fruchthendler. In the case of Fruchthendler, this could have a small negative effect on the enrollment of white students at Magee but the numbers will be small. And it may be, that a positive experience for one's sixth-grader will increase confidence about sending one's student to Magee, especially if the quality of Magee is enhanced."