BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508
County of Cook and State of Illinois

ACT TESTING
ALL COLLEGES
(AMEND BOARD REPORT NO. 24088 ADOPTED 11-6-2003)

THE CHANCELLOR

REPORTS
That City Colleges plans to use two forms of assessment from ACT over the course of Fiscal Year 2005: 1) COMPASS computer-adaptive testing for credit student placement and ability-to-benefit, and 2) ASSET paper-and-pencil testing for credit student placement and ability-to-benefit in those situations in which computer-based testing is not appropriate; and

That COMPASS testing will cost $450/site license for each of the eight sites (the seven colleges plus Dawson), plus a cost of $1.15 per unit, with the average student using 3.4 units, and the ASSET will also cost an annual $450/site license for each of the eight sites, plus $2.95 per student answer booklet when purchased via ACT, and $1.05 per unit, when purchased through the Illinois ACT COMPASS/ESL buying consortium sponsored by South Suburban College.

RECOMMENDS
That the Board of Trustees approve an agreement with ACT to provide both forms of testing services to all colleges for Fiscal Year 2005, with billings made according to the schedule above, and authorize the Chairman to execute said agreement on behalf of the Board.

FINANCIAL
$7,200 (site licenses) plus approximately $4/student

Education Fund – 0000126

Respectfully submitted

Wayne D. Watson
Chancellor

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