To: School Committee

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RE: METCO Enrollment for 2010-2011

Policy JFABC addresses the enrollment of students in the Lincoln School through participation in the METCO Program. METCO is a voluntary desegregation program that enrolls Boston resident students in suburban school districts.

Lincoln was a founding member of the METCO program and began enrolling students over forty years ago. The Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education supports the METCO Program with an annual grant that provides funding for METCO faculty and staff, classroom assistants, office staff and transportation.

The district's policy allows for enrollment of 91 students with a minimum of two students per class section, and up to four students, space permitting. The district attempts to enroll students in early grades with a preference to begin in kindergarten.

Each year the Principals and METCO Director bring a recommendation to the School Committee for the next year's enrollment. Based on current enrollment, enrollment projections and the School Committee policy we are recommending that the School Committee authorize the METCO Director to seek students to fill the following available seats.

Grade for 2010-11	Current METCO Enrollment	Additional Seats	Total Seats For 2010- 2011	Total Projected Enrollment K-8	Projected Average Class Size
Kindergarten		6	6	54	18.0
Grade 1	8	0	8	76	19.0
Grade 2	7	2	9	68	17.0
Grade 3	7	0	7	61	20.3
Grade 4	9	0	9	58	19.3
Grade 5	13	0	13	69	17.3
Grade 6	13	0	13	87	21.8
Grade 7	9	6	15	58	19.3
Grade 8	11	0	11	85	21.3
Total			91	616	