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TO THE HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

SY2020/2021 State School Choice Program – Recommendation for Non-Participation

Recommendation:

That the School Committee vote not to participate in the Statewide School Choice Program for school year 2020/2021 for the following reasons:

- 1. The need to maintain the quality and integrity of Cambridge Program of Controlled Choice and,
- 2. The need to maintain flexibility for appropriately sized classrooms in the public schools.

Description:

The Superintendent recommends non-participation for the reasons listed. Massachusetts General Laws require that local school districts that do not wish to participate in the state inter-district school choice program must vote to withdraw from participation in such program, after conducting a public hearing.

Respectfully submitted,

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