

**August 26, 2020 Holiday Waiver Public Hearing**  
**Written Comments Received Wednesday, August 19<sup>th</sup> through Thursday, August 27<sup>th</sup>**  
**Submitted via Written Comments Form**

- 1 To the Chicago BOE,  
As a parent at Sauganash Elementary I would like to voice my concern for the degree of overcrowding at the school. Classes are at 123% capacity, directly affecting individual learning and adding to teacher stress. This will not change with remote learning, and in fact may be even more detrimental in the remote setting.  
Gym

- 4 I don't approve of the Holiday waiver. We need to respectfully honor our Veterans. In the meeting, I heard a lack of proper research and investigation to our Veterans. Looking into certain groups without their feedback and only questioning a CPS ROTC employee instead of Chicago Veterans organization isn't enough to waive Veterans Day. It's a lack of respect to assume one CPS ROTC employee can speak for all Chicago Veterans. Veterans have families and we want our day to honor them accordingly. Thank you!
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- 5 You should make Election Day a holiday but it should not mean Veterans should not be recognized. I would prefer a day be added to the end of the calendar year to accommodate the much needed Election Day.