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Four District 89 Schools Earn Academic Excellence Awards for 2008

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GLEN ELLYN- Four schools from Community Consolidated School District 89 recently received the Academic Excellence Award from the Illinois State Board of Education.

Arbor View, Park View, and Westfield Elementary Schools and Glen Crest Middle School received the award, which is part of the State's 2008 Illinois Honor Roll program. The program recognizes those schools that have achieved and maintained academic excellence. To earn an Academic Excellence Award, at least 90% of a school's students must meet or exceed state standards in both reading and mathematics for at least three consecutive years. In addition, the school must have made Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) in 2007 and 2008. In order to make AYP, a school must have:

- At least 62.5% of a school's students meeting or exceeding standards in both reading and mathematics;
- At least a 95% participation rate in state assessments for students in all subgroups
- An attendance rate of at least 90%

"These awards are a testament to the quality of the staff and students in District 89," said Superintendent Dr. John S. Perdue. "In the last two years, every one of our schools has received the honor."

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