CCSD 89 families:

Last night, the Board of Education took an important step for the long-term success of Community Consolidated School District 89. The Board voted unanimously to change the elementary-school boundaries to better balance our school populations.

You can read more about the boundary change in the next section of this letter. I’d like to take a moment to thank everyone who shared their time, their expertise, or their voice during this thorough process. The conversations were not always easy but they were always respectful and led to a better outcome. I love these opportunities to engage with the larger community and examine issues that have an impact beyond our school walls.

That’s one of the many reasons I’m excited for the first meeting of the Finance Committee next month. The committee is also made up of community members, parents, staff, and a Board member. This group will examine the challenges facing the district and generate ideas for long-term financial security. The group is advisory, but – like the Boundary Committee – their work and perspective will be influential.

There are many great things ahead for our district. I hope that you and your family enjoy the holiday season and we look forward to seeing all our students when school resumes on January 8.

Here are some other important reminders:

**Board approves changes to 2018-19 boundaries**

On Monday, the Board unanimously approved changing the district’s elementary school boundaries for the 2018-19 school year. The Board approved a ‘phased-in’ approach to the changes, meaning current CCSD 89 students will remain at the school they currently attend through fifth grade.

Open boundary requests will only be accepted between May 9 and May 23 only. The district will continue to publicize these dates as the deadline draws closer.

You can read about the boundary change and see a map of the new 2018-19 boundaries here: [http://www.ccsd89.org/boundaryproposal](http://www.ccsd89.org/boundaryproposal)
Preschool registration packets available
Families interested in having their child attend Community Consolidated School District 89 preschool in the 2018-19 school year can now request a pre-enrollment information packet. To begin the pre-enrollment process, call Arbor View Elementary Building Assistant Jaclyn Ackerman at (630) 469-5505.

Anyone who calls will be added to the mailing list. Pre-enrollment packets will be mailed to homes in January. The packets will include information on when and where the packets should be turned in. More information is available here: https://goo.gl/4iSE3F

Board approves 2018-19 school calendar
The Board of Education has unanimously approved the calendar for the 2018-19 Community Consolidated School District 89 school year. The CCSD 89 calendar aligns with the calendar for Glenbard South High School. The approved CCSD 89 calendar can be viewed here: https://goo.gl/tx3bzn

Donate blood on January 10 and get a free bowl of pasta!
You can fulfill that first New Year’s resolution – and get a free bowl of pasta – by donating blood at Glen Crest Middle School on Wednesday, January 10, 2018. The blood drive will be held from 2 to 6 p.m. in the cafeteria of the school at 725 Sheehan Avenue, Glen Ellyn. Anyone who donates on January 10 will receive a voucher for a free bowl of pasta from Noodles & Company, worth up to $13. More information is available here: https://goo.gl/GB3vkQ

Board updates
The Board met on November 20 at Glen Crest Middle School. At the meeting, the Board saw the state report card data, which showed that CCSD 89 students continue to perform at 25 points higher than state average while the expenditures per pupil is under the state average. The Board also discussed the boundary-change proposal, and recommended bringing a ‘phased-in’ approach to the December board meeting.

A summary of the November 20 Board meeting is available here: https://goo.gl/Tpog1H

The Board met on December 18 at Glen Crest Middle School. The Board voted to implement phased-in boundary changes for the 2018-19 school year and approved the 2018-19 school year calendar. A summary of the December 18 meeting will be posted online soon.

The Board will then meet at 7 p.m. on Monday, January 22, 2018, at the Administration Center, 22W600 Butterfield Road, Glen Ellyn.

Full agendas and minutes for all Board meetings can be found at www.ccsd89.org/board
Upcoming events
December 19: CCSD 89 Winter Band Concert, 7 p.m., Glen Crest
December 22, 2017: Last day of school before winter break
January 8, 2018: School resumes after winter break
January 9, 2018: Midterm
January 12, 2018: Half day for students – Students attend in the morning
January 15, 2018: No school – Martin Luther King Jr. Day
January 22, 2018: Board of Education meeting, 7 p.m.

Thank you for supporting learning for life in CCSD 89!

Sincerely,

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