

August 18, 2017

CCSD 89 families:

Now that we have completed Day Three, I can officially say to all our students, families and staff: welcome to the school year!

It was thrilling to have our buildings once again full of students on Wednesday. I was fortunate to have a chance to visit all five buildings and everywhere I went, I saw the same thing: smiling kids. The stereotype is that kids bemoan the first day of school. But from preschool to eighth grade, the halls were full of kids who were excited to see friends and ready to learn. I encourage you to check out the photo galleries from all five schools that were posted on the District's Facebook page, [www.facebook.com/CCSD89](http://www.facebook.com/CCSD89)

The student's attitude reflects the positive relationships they have with our staff and your support for our schools. I am deeply grateful for the strong, ongoing partnership with our families. I know this will be the foundation for an outstanding 2017-18 school year.

Here are some important reminders:

### **Students need permission slip to view eclipse**

On Monday, August 21, there will be a total eclipse visible in the United States. In DuPage County, the moon will block approximately 87 percent of the sun's rays, creating a twilight effect at about 1:20 p.m. The District has purchased eclipse glasses recommended by NASA, and students in all CCSD 89 schools have an opportunity to view this unique event, if they return a signed permission slip. No student will be allowed to view the eclipse without a signed permission slip. For more information about the eclipse and CCSD 89's educational planning, go to: [www.ccsd89.org/eclipse](http://www.ccsd89.org/eclipse)

### **Student/Parent Handbook reminder**

All CCSD 89 students have received the 2017-18 Student/Parent Handbook. As a reminder, it is important that the Acknowledgement Form inside the front cover be filled out, signed, and returned to school as soon as possible. For parents with more than one student in the District, an Acknowledgement Form must be turned in for each student. If the Acknowledgement Form has been misplaced, you can print out a new copy from [www.ccsd89.org/handbook](http://www.ccsd89.org/handbook)

### **Curriculum nights**

As a reminder, your student's school will host a Curriculum Night event. These are excellent opportunities to get to know your student's school. Curriculum Nights will be held on the following dates:

**Arbor View:** 6:30 – 8 p.m., Wednesday, September 6

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**Briar Glen:** 6:30 – 8 p.m., Tuesday, August 29  
**Park View:** 6:30 – 8 p.m., Thursday, September 7  
**Westfield:** 6:30 – 8 p.m., Thursday, August 31  
**Glen Crest:** 6:30 – 8 p.m. Thursday, August 24  
Eighth grade PSAT information at 6:30 p.m.  
7-9 p.m. all grades

### **CCSD 89 families invited to Pro-Kids show on August 23**

All CCSD 89 families and students are invited to a free Pro-Kids show at 6:30 p.m. August 23 at Glen Crest Middle School, 725 Sheehan Avenue, Glen Ellyn. Tim Hannig puts on the one-man show, which combines magic and comedy with messages about respecting others. More information about the Pro-Kids show can be found at: [www.ccsd89.org/prokids](http://www.ccsd89.org/prokids)

### **Board updates**

This summer, the Board met on May 15, June 19, and July 17.

On May 15, the Board members heard a presentation on options for redesigning the exploratory options at Glen Crest Middle School, as well as a presentation on how staff supports students during transitions between grade levels. A summary of the May 15 Board meeting can be read here: <https://goo.gl/R2SfTC>

On June 19, Board members heard about the importance of the full-day kindergarten program, especially to students from poverty or those who speak English as a second language. The Board also heard further updates on options for redesigning the Glen Crest Middle School exploratory programs. A summary of the June 19 meeting can be found here: <https://goo.gl/mfTWDJ>

On July 17, Board members heard about the success of the B. R. Ryall YMCA after-school programs. A summary of the July 17 Board meeting can be found here: <https://goo.gl/pfAwXA>

The Board will meet again on at 7 p.m. on Monday, August 21.

Full agendas and minutes for all Board meetings can be found at [www.ccsd89.org/board](http://www.ccsd89.org/board)

### **Upcoming events**

August 21: Board of Education meeting, 7 p.m.  
August 23: Pro-Kids show at Glen Crest, 6:30 p.m.  
August 28: Preschool screening at Arbor View  
September 4: No school (Labor Day)

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September 25: Board of Education meeting  
September 27: Mid-term

Thank you for supporting learning for life in CCSD 89!

Sincerely,



Dr. Emily K. Tammaru  
Superintendent

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