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District 64 Begins New Strategic Planning Process; Community Invited to Informational Meeting on Monday, October 6

The Park Ridge-Niles Board of Education recently authorized the development of a new strategic plan to guide District 64 schools well into the next decade. To kick-off this effort, the Board has scheduled a special Committee-of-the-Whole on Strategic Planning on Monday, October 6 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. in the auditorium at Washington School.

All members of the community are invited to come and learn more about the planning framework and timeline that will be followed as the process gets underway during the 2008-09 school year.

"The development of a strategic plan is an exciting opportunity for a community to come together to create its vision for the future education of its children," according to Superintendent Sally Pryor. "Our goal is to conduct this process in a totally open, inclusive manner to ensure strong community involvement," she added.

Facilitator Dr. Howard Feddema of the Cambridge Group will conduct this awareness session for the Board and the community to describe how the planning process will unfold this year. He will lay out the framework and discuss why this specific approach is being followed. He will talk about the different components of the strategic plan and present an overview of how those components will be developed. Time will be reserved for an in-depth Q & A session to ensure that all questions from the Board and those in attendance are addressed.

"Knowing that this new strategic plan will impact our schools and community for many years to come, we encourage interested parents, staff and community members to join us for this kick-off awareness session," Dr. Pryor added.

Information from the meeting also will be summarized on the District 64 Web site.

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